



# Hawkhurst

## Church of England Primary School

### Newsletter No 23.

Friday, 21 March 2025

#### Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a lovely week in school with plenty of sunshine, which always makes everyone more smiley! Whilst it is still a little chilly in the mornings, please make sure your child is still coming to school in a coat or school fleece.



Jodie Hurrell

#### Assessment Week



A reminder that next week is our assessment week for years 1-6. Please do your best to ensure your child is in school for this. You will be sent the results of the tests after the Easter break.

#### Parent Workshop



A reminder to sign up for the NHS parent workshop on managing anxiety in your child. This is being held on Monday 31<sup>st</sup> March at 1:30pm.

#### Easter Service

All parents and carers are invited to our Easter Service to be held in St Laurence's Church on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April at 9am. Children should go straight to the church in the morning (unless they normally come to breakfast club). Please arrive from 8:45, ready for the service to start at 9am. If you are able to help walk back with your child's class, please let the office know.



Advance notice that sports day is scheduled for Friday 20<sup>th</sup> June. It will follow the usual format of KS1 in the morning and KS2 in the afternoon. More details will be sent nearer the time.

#### Grandparents Afternoon



One of our favourite events of the year is Grandparents Afternoon. This will be held on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> June at 1pm. Please add this date to your diary and let grandparents know that they are welcome to come in and join us.

#### Thank you



Thank you to the Dental Health Initiative for their presentation on Monday to all of the children about caring for their teeth. Thank you also to Tesco for donating some of the toothbrushes and toothpaste, and to Hawkhurst WI for making such beautiful class bags for the toothbrushes to be presented in.



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### Attendance



Attendance %		Attendance %	% Change
Year to Date		This Week	On Last Week
Year R	93.5	93.3	-1.4
Year 1	94.0	96.3	-2.7
Year 2	94.0	93.0	-3.9
Year 3	94.7	96.4	+1.4
Year 4	93.6	93.3	+0.3
Year 5	96.9	96.2	-2.9
Year 6	94.6	98.9	+0.9

The above table shows attendance for the year so far for each class together with a view on how this week has changed from last week. (Green is Good)

This week's winners were **Violet+** Class who will receive an extra playtime next week.



Well-done to the children who have been recognised today for demonstrating our school values: Compassion, Hope, and Community.

Rainbow: Haidee and Cleo

Y1: Alexi and Marco

Y2: Niko and Vishmita

Y3: Elsie A and Louis

Y4: Albert and Ella

Y5: Oryn and Millie

Y6: Ian and Rowan







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#### Well Done



Well done to Mia in Y1 who had her hair cut to donate to The Little Princess Trust this week. Mia raised over £500 and was very brave having her hair cut in class. Thank you to Caisters Hair Lounge for coming in to do this.



#### Y1 and Y2 Reading Café



Thank you to everyone who was able to attend our Reading Café on Wednesday. It was lovely to see so many parents joining in and working with their children. We hope that you found it useful and that you enjoyed working with your children. We will look at dates to run this with Y3 and Y4 next. Thank you to Mrs Elmes for organising this.



#### Ideas For Writing



If you are looking for good ideas to help get your child writing, we came across these beautiful books from Usborne publishers. We would love to buy one for every child in school as we think these would really motivate the children to get writing, unfortunately we do not have the funds for this at the moment. We thought we would share the link with you as they might be something your child would like to do at home. If you shop around on the internet, they can be bought slightly cheaper from different places.

<https://usborne.com/gb/books/series/write-your-own>

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#### Parent Teacher Association

Parents/Carers we need your help!

A possible (very exciting! 🎵) event is currently in the planning - and we are looking for anyone in the DJ or entertainment business, or anyone with access to disco tech/lights to help us make this happen.

If you or anyone you know is able to help please get in touch, thank you 💖

Kind regards

Cerys Grant

#### Forest School

Forest School sessions next week will be:

Wednesday: Rainbow Class

Thursday : Red Class

There will be no FS session on Tuesday as Mrs Paton is going to Bewl Water with Y5.

Could we please ask you to ensure children have Forest School clothing appropriate for the weather conditions and sensible waterproof footwear.

Forest School will take place even if the weather isn't great and children need to be dressed in warm and waterproof clothing.

#### Diary Dates

##### 24<sup>TH</sup> MAR

- Assessment Week

##### 25<sup>TH</sup> MAR

- Bewl Activity Day for Yr 5

##### 27<sup>TH</sup> MAR

- Rewind to Easter for Yr 5 at Baptist Church (PM)

##### 1<sup>ST</sup> APR

- Non-Uniform Day

##### 2<sup>ND</sup> APR

- School Council Tombola

##### 3<sup>RD</sup> APR

- 2:30 Rocksteady Concert (for Rocksteady Pupil Parents)

##### 4<sup>TH</sup> APR

- Last Day of Term 4
- Easter Service - St Laurence Church 9:00am

##### 22<sup>ND</sup> APR

- First Day of Term 5

##### 29<sup>TH</sup> - 30<sup>TH</sup> APR

- Parent Consultations

##### 13<sup>TH</sup> JUN

- Grandparents Afternoon 1PM

##### 20<sup>TH</sup> JUN

- Sports Day (KS1 AM / KS2 PM)

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### A Prayer to end the week



Loving Father,

Thank you for all who are part of our school. Please grant them your encouragement, wisdom and peace.

Strengthen teachers with heavy workloads. May they be firm, yet patient, expecting excellence but forgiving mistakes.

May they support their students, playing to strengths, helping with struggles and motivating them to do their best.

Comfort and restore those living under shadows of unhappiness, abuse, pain or fear. May many find faith discovering their identity in You and knowing Your amazing grace in their lives.

Please pour out Your blessings upon our whole school community.

In Jesus name.

Amen.



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**CERTIFICATE**  
of **EXCELLENCE**

THIS CERTIFICATE IS PRESENTED TO  DATE

IN RECOGNITION OF

CLASS TEACHER  HEAD TEACHER

**WELL DONE**

Well Done to the children who were awarded a Certificate of Excellence this week :-

Rainbow : Darcey and Pippa

Yr 1 – Tomos and Bonnie-Mae

Yr 2 – Joshua G and Holly

Yr 3 – Dolly and Esme

Yr 4 – Teddy M and Penny

Yr 5 – Alice and Toby

Yr 6 – Stephen and Jessica

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**COMPETITION!  
WIN A FREE  
WEEK AT CAMP!**

**PLUS £250 DONATION FOR YOUR  
SCHOOL AND A MINI BILLY TOY!**

#### KIDS COMPETITION

Task: Design a new activity for Easter 2025!

#### ACTIVITY COULD BE:

- Based on existing activity with a twist
- Repurposing equipment to play in another way
- Add your theme to an activity
- An activity you love already which you'd like to see at camp

WE WILL REPLICATE YOUR ACTIVITY IDEA AT CAMP!

**YOUR CHANCE  
TO WIN!**

ENTRIES SUBMITTED TO  
[FUN@BARRACUDAS.CO.UK](mailto:FUN@BARRACUDAS.CO.UK)  
BY 25TH MARCH

INCLUDE YOUR NAME, AGE  
& NAME & LOCATION OF  
SCHOOL WITH YOUR  
ENTRY!

Winner announced 27th March  
Camp open dates 7th - 17th April

**BARRACUDAS**  
ACTIVITY DAY CAMPS

WIN A  
MINI  
BILLY!



*Puss in Boots*

**HEMSTED PARK**  
BENENDEN SCHOOL

**Thursday 17th  
April  
2pm**

[WWW.HEMSTEDPARK.COM](http://WWW.HEMSTEDPARK.COM)  
[BOXOFFICE@HEMSTEDPARK.COM](mailto:BOXOFFICE@HEMSTEDPARK.COM)  
01580 236699  
Benenden School | Cranbrook | Kent TN17 4AA

## Easter school holiday fun for 4 – 12-year-olds!

Premier Football School are delighted to announce they are running a kids football camp in Hawkhurst during the forthcoming Easter break, taking place at Marlborough House School from **Monday 14th – Wednesday 16th April**, for boys and girls aged 4 - 12 of all abilities. Parents simply drop-off at 10.00am and pick up at 3.30pm. The fee is **just £13 per day** and all children receive a trophy! Activities include a kids World Cup tournament and a penalty shootout competition with prizes! We are a non-elitist grass roots organisation, and children play in groups according to their age and abilities in a fun safe environment. Should you wish to book, please visit <http://www.premierfootballschool.co.uk> or call 07821 573837.



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