



Hawkhurst

Church of England Primary School

Newsletter No 1.

Friday, 11 September 2026



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to a new school year. It has been lovely to welcome all of our new children and families. We hope that everyone is settling well into their new classes.



Meet the Teacher

Thank you to everyone who was able to come along to the Meet the Teacher sessions this week. Please don't worry if you weren't able to make it – you should have received an information sheet going through everything that was discussed in the meeting. You will get a chance to meet individually with your child's teacher when we hold our consultation evenings on 7th and 8th October. More details will be sent out nearer the time.



After School Clubs

We have had several parents asking about clubs. Teacher led clubs (apart from Young Voices) will start at the beginning of term 2. We will be sending out lists of clubs in the next few weeks and asking you to sign up for them on Arbor.

All teacher led clubs are free.

Pupil Pictures

You may have heard recently that there have been some concerns about the misuse of on-line pictures of children by AI (Artificial intelligence). The Senior Leadership Team and Governors are taking this seriously and are currently looking into what our long-term approach should be with regard to publishing pictures of children on our website and in our newsletters. While we work to define our strategy, we have decided not to publish any further pictures of children. While we appreciate that this may disappoint some of you and potentially make the newsletter less interesting, our main priority must be the welfare of our pupils.

We will provide more information on this matter in the coming weeks. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the office or talk to me at the gate.

House Captains

Yesterday afternoon we held House meetings and children from across the school voted for who they wanted to represent them. Our new House Captains for the year are:

- Danes: Malachi and Lola
- Normans: Teddy M and Aurora
- Romans: Albie and Teddy WC
- Saxons: Freya and Dennis

Head Boy / Head Girl

Well done to all of our Y6 pupils who applied to be Head Boy / Head Girl. They all sat through an interview with the Senior Leadership Team on Tuesday and should all be proud of themselves for putting themselves forward. Our Head Boy for the year is Fletcher and our Head Girl is Clemence.



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Family Breakfast

Our first Family Breakfast will be at 8am on Friday 16th October. We will put a sign-up sheet in the lobby the week before send you more details nearer the time.

HARVEST SERVICE

Our Harvest Service will take place at St Laurence's Church on Friday 2nd October at 9am.

Parents and families are welcome to join us for this. Children should go straight to the church on the morning, arriving there by 8:45 please, to sit with their class.

Please can we ask for helpers to walk back to school with us. If you prefer to bring your child back in the car, let us know nearer the time.

St. Ronans have very kindly agreed to send two mini buses to pick up Rainbow Class and drive them back to school.

If it is wet on the day, we may change plans and hold the Service in the school hall.

Hot Chocolate with Mrs Hacker

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

Y1: Isaac and Phoebe

Y2: Elsie and Bear

Y3: Mia and Sophia

Y4: Toby and Sadie

Y5: Riley and Freya

Y6: Ian and Ella

READING CHALLENGE CERTIFICATES

Please could we have all Summer Reading Challenge certificates in by Monday.



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Diary Dates

MON 14TH - WED 16TH SEP

- Scholastic Book Fair after school

15TH SEP

- EYFS Open Day for 2027 Intake at 9:30am

16TH SEP

- EYFS Open Day for 2027 Intake at 1:30pm

22ND SEP

- Flu Vaccinations
- PTA Coffee Afternoon 2:30pm

29TH SEP

- EYFS Open Day for 2026 Intake at 9:30am

1ST OCT

- Census Day Special School Menu

2ND OCT

- 9:00am Harvest Service at St Laurence Church

6TH OCT

- EYFS Open Day for 2027 Intake at 1:30pm

7TH OCT

- EYFS Open Day for 2027 Intake at 9:30am
- Parent Consultations

8TH OCT

- EYFS Open Day for 2027 Intake at 1:30pm
- Parent Consultations

16TH OCT

- Family Breakfast 8:00am
- PTA Quiz Evening

20TH OCT

- Individual Pupil Photos

21ST OCT

Last Day of Term1 for Pupils

22/23RD OCT

- Inset Days School Closed

Attendance



Attendance %		Attendance %	% Change
Year to Date		This Week	On Last Week
Year R	97.0	95.2	-4.8
Year 1	99.3	98.8	-1.2
Year 2	94.6	95.5	+2.4
Year 3	93.8	95.4	+4.3
Year 4	91.7	93.3	+4.4
Year 5	96.6	97.2	+1.8
Year 6	95.7	97.2	+4.0

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 **Red** Class.

Forest School

Forest School sessions next week will be:

Tuesday: Blue Class (Yr5)

Wednesday: Orange Class (Yr2)



Could we please ask you to ensure children have Forest School clothing appropriate for the weather and ensure they have sun cream on and a sun hat/cap.

A full Forest School Timetable for Term 1 is available on the school website - <https://www.hawkhurst.kent.sch.uk/children/forest-school/forest-school-timetable>

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Well done to the children who were awarded a Certificate of Excellence this week.

Yr 1

Flo, Isaac and Wren

Yr 2

Reuben, Jadya Gyeyock and William

Yr 3

Ana, Gwen and Isaac

Yr 4

Theo and Ymouna

Yr 5

James C, Kieran and Noah

Yr 6

Henry, Esme and Jensen

End of Week Prayer



Loving Father,

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

Strengthen teachers who have 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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Special Menu for School Census Day

Caterlink are doing a special lunch menu for the Census Day on Thursday 1st October. The school will receive extra funding from the Government for every child in KS1 who has a school lunch on this day, so maybe your child could give school lunch a try.



The Scholastic Book Fair will be returning to Hawkhurst on Monday 14th, Tuesday 15th and Wednesday 16th September. You will find us set up outside the school office (or in the hall if raining!) at the end of the day. **Please remember to bring a mobile phone and physical payment card as we are unable to take cash or contactless payments.** We receive 20p in credits for every £1 spent at the fair which we can then use to buy more books for our libraries, so we hope to see you there!

Pirate Day Lunch



PTA COFFEE AFTERNOON



We would like to invite you to come and join the PTA for coffee on Tuesday 22nd at 2:30pm. It would be lovely for our new parents to come and say hello, as well as all other parents. We will let you know exactly where we are going to hold this nearer the time.

Quiz Night

Advance notice that following the success of last year's quiz, we will be holding our next Quiz night on 16th October. More information will follow soon.

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Reporting an absence.



Please use the Arbor app to report your child absent from school. Follow these instructions:

Login to your Arbor app

- ❖ Click on the large attendance section
- ❖ On the right-hand side click on the green button - Log Absence
- ❖ Please provide a detailed reason in the box

Please use this method rather than just sending a message.

NEW STARTERS AND RETURNERS WANTED!



LEARN TO PLAY WITH CRANBROOK TOWN BAND FOUNDATION BAND

Free Tuition

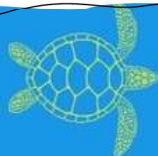
Free instrument loan

Interested?

Thursday nights at Hawkhurst Primary
School

6.30pm- 7.30pm

Contact Charlotte O'Neill on 07943 902745



KATE'S

Swimming

Helping your child build
confidence in the water for life.

What We Offer

- ✓ Babies - from birth to 2 years
- ✓ Toddlers - from 2-4 years
- ✓ Children's - 4 years+
- ✓ Private 1:1 Lessons - All Ages
- ✓ Holiday Intensive Courses - 4 years+

Swimming Pools

- 📍 Staplecross, East Sussex



So impressed with how my daughter has developed in just attending 4 days of the summer intensive course. She went from holding her nose and not being confident putting her head under water to swimming under water.

-Trust Pilot Review

Book Now!

www.katesswimming.co.uk



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NHS
Kent Community Health
NHS Foundation Trust

Kent Family

is here for your child's growth,
happiness and health.

family.kentcht.nhs.uk



(we care)



BENNETT MEMORIAL DIOCESAN SCHOOL

SEMPER TENAX: HOPE, WISDOM, LOVE

BELIEVING IN YOUNG PEOPLE

Bennett is a Church of England school with a record of providing outstanding education, rooted in tradition and preparing young people for the future. Our distinctive Christian identity and ethos inform our approach to living and learning. We are academically highly successful and we set great store by the formation of character and values.

ACHIEVING EXCELLENCE

Outstanding teaching and impressive results are at the heart of Bennett's success. We are rightly renowned for the excellent results Bennett students achieve at GCSE and A Level. This is because our teachers are experts in their subjects, and because we expect hard work, exemplary behaviour and a positive approach at all times.

TEACHING FOR SUCCESS

At Bennett teaching is rigorous and demanding. It is relevant and engaging, with high expectations in class and at home.

CARING AND THRIVING

As a Christian school, we place particular emphasis on caring and supporting young people as they grow up.

TAKING PART AND ENJOYING

Learning outside the classroom is a central part of Bennett life. Music and sport, travel and adventure, all play an important role in the life of Bennett students.

BENNETT SIXTH FORM

The vast majority of Bennett students choose to move into the Bennett Sixth Form after GCSE. Our large and vibrant Sixth Form is characterised by an atmosphere of aspiration and excellence.

OPEN EVENINGS

Tuesday 22nd September
Thursday 24th September

For open evening booking details and how to apply please
check the school website www.bennettmemorial.co.uk



CONTACT US
admissions@bennett.kent.sch.uk
01892 521595

WINGS & WHEELS WEEKEND 2026

| 12TH & 13TH SEPTEMBER | 10AM TO 4PM |
RAF MANSTON HISTORY MUSEUM CT12 5DF



Climb in the Cockpits



BOOK HERE



Fire Engine Rides



Tank Rides



Loads of Vehicles



Museum Entry

OPTIONAL PRE-BOOKING AVAILABLE

USUAL MUSEUM ADMISSION PRICES APPLY | RIDE ADMISSION SEPARATE

info@rafmanston.co.uk

www.rafmanston.co.uk



What Three Words - [remarried.mornings.pave](https://www.what3words.com/what-three-words-remarried-mornings-pave)

Refreshments available



Subject to change due to unforeseen circumstances including, but not limited to, weather conditions, mechanical breakdowns and shortage of volunteers and/or exhibitors.

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