



Hawkhurst

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Friday, 18 September 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

Well done to our new Rainbow Class who have been in school full time this week!



Joan Hurrell

Breakfast Club

From the start of term 2 (Monday 2 November), breakfast club will cost £3.50. There will be no difference in the price for different drop of times, and all children are welcome to attend from 7:30am.



"Young Voices" is back! This week we started learning some of the songs for our concert at The O2 in February. There are a lot of songs to learn and a lot of words! We have also started learning a song composed by Nick Drewe which is 'We can all do better'. This is a song to raise awareness about saving our planet and protecting our wildlife and environment. Schools and choirs, from all across the country, will be singing this specially composed song and performing it late in September. Our YV choir isn't quite ready yet but when we are, we will perform it in an assembly at school.

[Sing2Save — Saving the natural world through song](#)

Congratulations

Congratulations to Miss Burchell who is expecting a baby after Christmas. Miss Burchell who is a 1-1 Teaching Assistant in Year 5, will be with us until we finish for Christmas, when she will begin her maternity leave.



Snacks

Please can we remind you that snacks for breaktime should be healthy snacks, so fruit, cheese, yogurt, or cereal bars. Children should not be bringing in crisps and chocolate bars for break time.



Kindness Assembly

This morning, we joined an online kindness assembly with '52 lives school of kindness'. We were thinking about what our perfect school would be like, how we can be kind to each other and how we can step outside our comfort zone. There is a 'kindness box' outside the office for anyone to put a note in with their stories of how they have been kind to somebody else or how someone has been kind to them. They can be named or anonymous. We will then send our stories of kindness to Greig who ran the assembly this morning.



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HARVEST SERVICE



Our Harvest Service will be held on Friday 2nd October at 9am at St Laurence's Church. Children should go straight to the church for 8:45 and parents are welcome to stay for the service and help us to walk the children back to school. Breakfast club children will be leaving school at 8:20 to walk down with staff – please ensure they are in school in time. If you prefer to bring your child back to school in the car, please let the office know. Rainbow children will be brought back by mini bus, kindly provided by St Ronans School. If it is wet and raining on the morning, we will change plans and hold the service in the school hall. We will watch the weather forecast and make a decision the day before.

Reception 2027

If you have children due to start in EYFS in September 2027, you need to apply online for a place between Friday 6 November 2026 and Friday 15 January 2027.

<https://www.kent.gov.uk/education-and-children/schools/school-places>



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

Y1: Lucas and Reid

Y2: Darcey and Hudson

Y3: Samuel and Alexi

Y4: Chloe and Josh

Y5: Esme and Qailah

Y6: Dennis and Freya



Thank you to everyone who visited the book fair this week. We will let you know how much commission we have raised once we have received this.

PTA COFFEE AFTERNOON



A reminder that everyone is welcome to come along to the PTA coffee afternoon next Tuesday, 22 September at 2:30pm. Please come to the main office and we will direct you from there.

For more information, please contact the PTA or visit our website:
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Attendance



Attendance %		Attendance %	% Change
Year to Date		This Week	On Last Week
Year R	96.7	96.1	+0.9
Year 1	98.6	97.7	-1.1
Year 2	96.0	98.3	+2.8
Year 3	94.8	96.4	+1.1
Year 4	92.7	94.4	+1.1
Year 5	96.3	96.0	-1.3
Year 6	95.8	95.6	-1.6

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 **Orange** Class.

Forest School



Forest School sessions next week will be:

Tuesday: Violet Class (Yr6)

Wednesday: Yellow Class (Yr3)

Thursday: Rainbow (YrR)

Could we please ask you to ensure children have Forest School clothing appropriate for the weather.

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>

Diary Dates

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 Term 1 for Pupils

22/23RD OCT

- Inset Days - School Closed

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

Yr 1

Eliza, Rose and Thea

Yr 2

Orla, Archie S and Marshall

Yr 3

Charlotte, Mia Line and Sophia

Yr 4

Jakob and Antalya

Yr 5

Bella, Rosie and Naomi

Yr 6

Isabella, Jack and Lola

End of Week Prayer



We thank you Lord, for this week.

For our challenges, our successes, and the mistakes from which we have learnt.

Be with us as we spend our time with family and friends.

Give us strength and courage to do what is right: to be witnesses of our faith.

Prepare us to learn and enjoy the coming week at school.

Amen



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.

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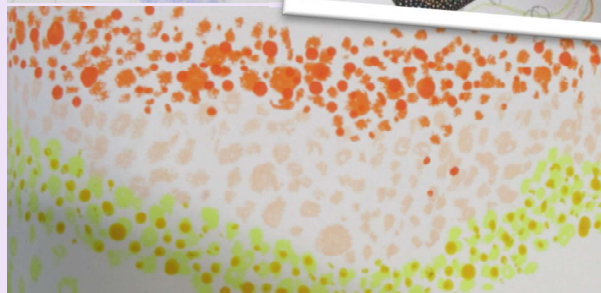
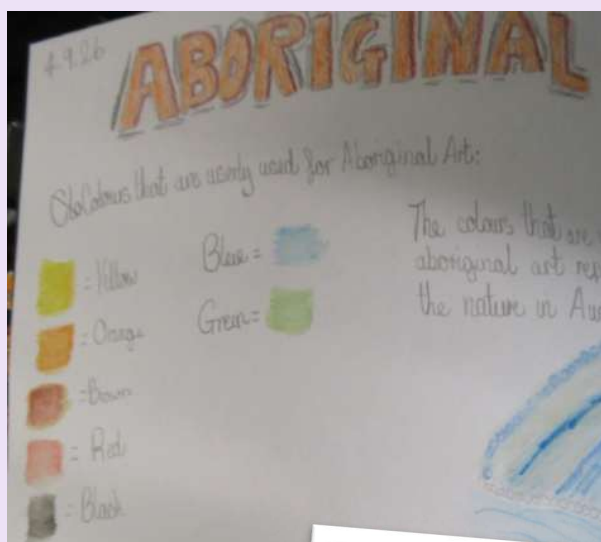
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Catch Up with Violet Class

Violet Class have been looking at Aboriginal Art and we have created an artist's page to show the typical colours, subjects and techniques used by these artists.



Blue Class get Arty

Blue Class have been working on their David Hockney project in art, creating their own pieces of work in his style. We have been very impressed with their use of bold colour and patterns. Well done Year 5!



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Pirate Day Lunch



Does your child love dancing, singing, or acting?

Let them shine here at Theatretrain!

Fun, confidence building classes every Saturday.

TWO AMAZING WORKSHOPS THIS SEPTEMBER!

Join us for 2 themed Saturdays filled with singing, dancing and acting as we bring your favourite songs and scenes to life!

- ★ Build confidence
- ★ Make new friends
- ★ Learn new skills
- ★ Have fun!

Book a free trial today!



BELIEVE
in yourself

ACHIEVE
your dreams

EXCEED
expectations

THEATRE TRAIN DANCE ACT SING
TUNBRIDGE WELLS

HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL
WORKSHOP

SAT 19TH SEPT

K-POP
WORKSHOP

SAT 26TH SEPT

MORE THAN A CLASS...
A PLACE TO BELONG

Community

Hope

Compassion

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