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Church of England Primary School

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Friday, 20 November 2026

Community Hope Compassion

Dear Parents and Carers,

Please ensure you keep up to date with events this term, through dates and reminders in the weekly newsletter and Arbor messages.



PTA Disco



Thank you very much to our wonderful PTA for organising and running the DISCO this week. Thank you to everyone who supported this – we will let you know how much money was raised as soon as we have the final figures.

Year 1 Phonics Workshop

A reminder that there is a phonics workshop for Y1 parents next Tuesday (24th November) at 2:30pm in the Nurture room.

Christmas Story Competition



We will be entering the Rotary Christmas story writing competition again this year, for Years 1 -6. Although we don't hear anything about any winners until term 3, we are hoping some of our brilliant writers will scoop a prize this year.

Christmas Jumpers



I know we have asked previously, but if anyone has any good quality children's Christmas jumpers that they no longer need, we would be really grateful for them in school.

Packed Lunches



Please can children not bring their packed lunch in a breakable glass container. They are heavy for children to carry and we need to avoid any accidents if they are dropped. We have a lot of children bringing warm pasta and soups in a flask – these are fine to bring in.

Hawkhurst Community League of Friends



The school would like to say a HUGE thank you to the Hawkhurst League of Friends who have kindly offered to donate £300 in each of the 6 terms, for three years, towards the costs of breakfast club.

This is an incredibly generous gift to the school, at a time when we are struggling financially. Thank you so much for this, which will help to make a really positive difference.

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Attendance

Attendance % Year to Date		Attendance % This Week	% Change On Last Week
Year R	93.3	93.8	+3.9
Year 1	95.4	96.3	+0.7
Year 2	95.4	94.1	-4.1
Year 3	95.7	95.5	-1.7
Year 4	90.7	87.2	-3.9
Year 5	95.2	94.8	-3.2
Year 6	94.2	94.1	+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 Red Class.

Forest School

Forest School sessions next week will be:

- Tuesday : Blue Class (Yr5)
- Wednesday : Orange Class (Yr2)
- Thursday : Rainbow (YrR)

Please send children to school in their FS clothes whatever the weather.

A full Forest School Timetable for Term 2 is available on the school website - https://www.hawkhurst.kent.sch.uk/children/forest-school/forest-school-timetable

Mental Health Workshops

On Wednesday, Rachel and Maria from the Kent and Medway Mental Health team came to run some Friendship workshops for Years 3, 4 and 5 in the Nurture Room. They played some games and looked at what makes a good friend. They discussed different people having different feelings and what they can do if they get worried about their friendships.

"It was good fun!" and "I learnt some things about friendship" were just two of the comments from some of the children.



Medicine in School

A reminder that if your child needs medicine during the day, this MUST be handed in to the school office and a form filled in. Please do not send medication in your child's bag for them to administer themselves.

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Diary Dates

24TH NOV

- Phonics Workshop for Yr1 Parents : 2:30pm

3RD DEC

- Rainbow Nativity at 1:30pm

7TH DEC

- Elfridges (PTA Event)

9TH DEC

- KS1 Christmas presentation at 9:30

10TH DEC

- KS1 Christmas presentation at 1:30pm

13TH DEC

- Choir to The Baptist Church for Carols

14TH DEC

- Brass Band Concert: at 2:30pm

16TH DEC

- Christmas Lunch and Christmas jumpers

17TH DEC

- Rocksteady Concert at 2:30pm

18TH DEC

- Carol Service at St Laurence's Church at 9am

Hot Chocolate with Mrs Hacker

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

YR: Freddie and Joey

Y1: Theo and Thomas

Y2: Molly and Bodhi

Y3: Tammy and Faith

Y4: Antalya and Joshua G

Y5: Olive and Bella

Y6: Harry and Delilah

A Prayer to End the Week

Father,
Thank You for seeing us through another working week and bringing us to the weekend.
We pray that this weekend will be filled with rest, refreshment, and will prepare us for the week to come.
Our lives can seem so overwhelming and confusing, but we know that You are there by our side always.
Lord, help us recognize Your Spirit.
Bring us deeper into a knowledge of You, so that even in times of adversity, we can rest in the knowledge that You are with us always.
Amen.



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

Rainbow

Isla, Isabella and Millie

Yr 1

Huxley, Eliza and Thea

Yr 2

Dexter, Maisie H and Hunter

Yr 3

Luna, Ezra and Hannah

Yr 4

Holly and Joshua S

Yr 5

Riley, Aurora and James R

Yr 6

Dennis, Seb and Albert





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