



Hawkhurst

Church of England Primary School

Newsletter No 13.

Friday, 05 December 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you to everyone who has supported the PTA event this week – all money raised goes towards benefiting all of our children.



Jodie Hurrell

School Lunch



Please note that on Tuesdays of Week 1 of the Caterlink menu the burger will now be a homemade Beetroot & Lentil burger (as advertised) and not the Quorn burgers that the children are used to. Please ensure that your children are aware of this.

Certificates



There will be no certificates this week, as everyone will be watching the Panto in the school hall.

No Nuts!

A reminder that we are a nut free school due to allergies, so please ensure that no packed lunches include any nuts or peanut butter sandwiches.



PTA Film Night



Thank you to the PTA for hosting a film night for the children on Wednesday. All money raised is going towards the target of raising money for class laptops. We will let you know how much this event raised once we have the final figures in.

Nativity Plays



We are looking forward to watching the EYFS and KS1 Nativity plays next week.

Unfortunately, we will not be able to let you take photos during the performances as not all of our children are able to be photographed. We will take photos of the children in their costumes before the performances and put these on the school website. If you are coming to watch the KS1 Nativity on Thursday afternoon, you may take your children home early once they have got back to the classroom and got changed. You may also collect any older siblings early. Children should be collected from the normal doors on the playground.

Brass Group Performance



A number of children who have taken up brass instruments this year will be performing at St Mary's Church in Lamberhurst on Sunday afternoon as part of the Christmas concert by Cranbrook Town Band. Please go along and support them if you can, it is sure to be a very Festive concert. Full details can be found on the last page of the Newsletter.

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Christmas Service



We are still planning to hold our Christmas Service at St Laurence's Church on Friday 19th December at 9am. All parents are welcome to attend. Children should arrive at the church at 8:45 (they do not need to come to school first). If you are able to volunteer to help walk the children back to school, please let your class teacher or the office know. If you are driving your child back to school, please let the class teacher know in advance. In the event of bad weather, we will hold the service in the school hall, but will be limited for space.



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

- YR: - R - Thomas, Thea and Reid
Y1: - Darcey and Jady
Y2: - Kara and Evelynne
Y3: - Sadie and Koa
Y4: - Amelia and Louis
Y5: - Samuel and Esme
Y6: - Qismah and Alice





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Attendance



Attendance %		Attendance %	% Change
Year to Date		This Week	On Last Week
Year R	94.0	84.4	+2.8
Year 1	96.5	92.4	-3.0
Year 2	97.1	96.7	-2.3
Year 3	92.2	82.2	-7.2
Year 4	95.6	97.1	-0.7
Year 5	94.6	92.4	-4.1
Year 6	97.9	98.8	+1.9

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.

Forest School



Forest School sessions for next week will be :

Wednesday: Rainbow Class

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

A full Forest School Timetable for Term 3 will be sent out and also be available on the school website at the end of this term.

<https://www.hawkhurst.kent.sch.uk/children/forest-school/forest-school-timetable-for-2025-26>

Diary Dates

9TH DEC

- KS1 Nativity 9:30am
- PTA Event : "Elfridges" event - KS1

10TH DEC

- Rainbow Nativity 9:30am
- PTA Event : "Elfridges" event - KS2

11TH DEC

- KS1 Nativity 1:30pm

SUNDAY 14TH DEC

- 6:30pm Choir singing at Hawkhurst Baptist Church Carol Service.

15TH DEC

- Concert for parents of brass pupils at 2:30pm

17TH DEC

- Christmas Lunch
- Christmas Jumper Day
- Concert for parents of K Slowgrove music pupils 2.30pm

18TH DEC

- Concert for parents of Rocksteady pupils at 2:30pm

19TH DEC

- Christmas Service 9am at St Laurence's Church

20TH DEC

- Last Day of Term 2

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Christmas Post-box



We are happy to report that Father Christmas has once again delivered the Christmas Post-box to school and that children can send cards to their friends from next week.

Please make sure that each card has the recipient's full name and class on the envelope.

Due to a shortage of Elves (who are all tied up with preparations for the big day), year 6 volunteers will distribute the cards each week.

Cards should be posted before the 17th December in order to be delivered on time.



A Prayer to End the Week



Loving Father,

thank you that you are my creator, you know me better than anyone else.

Help me to use the mind you have given me to learn and study effectively.

May I learn with humility and grace.

May I grow in wisdom as well as knowledge.

Amen.



Christmas Concerts

A reminder of our Christmas Concert dates:

(For the parents of children who play in different bands in school)

- Monday 15 December: Brass band at 2:30pm
- Wednesday 17 December: Katie Slowgrove at 2:30pm
- Thursday 18 December: Rocksteady at 2:30pm.

All of these will be in the school hall.



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Tree Festival

As well as putting up the Christmas trees and decorations in school, we have participated in this year's Tree Festival at St Laurence Church.

Our tree is decorated with hand-made ornaments from years 6 and 4, who have made them during Forest School and DT Lessons in recent weeks.

Our tree and many others will be on display at the church from today.



The Christmas Tree Festival is open for viewing at the following times.

- Friday December 5th, 10am – 4 pm
- Saturday December 6th, 10am – 4 pm
- Sunday December 7th, 11.30am – 4pm



Catch up with Green Class

Thank you to Revd Judy who came in on Monday to help Green Class make the Advent Wreath for the school.

They also took part in delivering an assembly, where they explained the religious meaning of each candle and the order in which they are lit.





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CHRISTMAS WITH CRANBROOK TOWN BAND

@
St Mary's Church
Lamberhurst
TN3 8DU
Sunday 7th December, 2025
@ 2:30pm

Tickets £10/£5 Available on the Door
or online by scanning the QR code



www.cranbrooktownband.org.uk



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CLOSING DATE IS THE 14TH OF
DECEMBER FOR ENTRIES



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