



Hawkhurst

Church of England Primary School

Newsletter No 21.

Friday, 13 February 2026

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Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a very wet and grey term and we know the children are tired. We hope that half term brings some sunnier weather so that you can get outside.



PTA - Feeling the Love!

A 'heart' felt Thank You once again for supporting the PTA and in turn your Primary School.

Our Valentines Disco was another wonderful success- full of energy, smiles and plenty of fabulous outfits! Many of the children embraced the theme and all behaved brilliantly. Huge thanks also to all our helpers and the school staff of which we can't do the disco without. All this allows us to continue running all the events and encouraging more willing volunteers to get involved.

Keep an eye out for upcoming events and to avoid disappointment, please watch any ticket deadlines closely and feel free contact the PTA directly with any queries at hawkhurstpta@gmail.com

Thank you for your continued support.

The PTA.

School Clubs

The sign up for school clubs in Term 4 is now live in the clubs section on Arbor. Please only sign your child up for 1 club so that everyone gets the opportunity to take part in a club.

Yoga

Last Friday, Hayley from Namaste Kids, came into school to run Yoga sessions for all the children in school. Each class had a 30-40 minute slot and practised different Yoga moves and breathing techniques.





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Headlice

There have been several reports of headlice in school this week. Can you please check your child's hair this evening and treat accordingly.

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House Leader Board

This term, the 4 houses have been battling to win the most dojo points. The results for Term 2 are below:

4th place – Normans

3rd place – Saxons

2nd place - Danes

1st place – ROMANS

As a reward for winning this term, **Romans** will receive a non-school uniform day on:

Friday 27th February

Please remind your child that the points total for each house resets at the start of next term.



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

Rainbow
Huxley, Jack and Lucas
Yr 1
Hudson, Annabel and Elsie
Yr 2
Roni, Mia Link and Florence
Yr 3
Jakob and Toby
Yr 4
Noah, Harriet and Deseret
Yr 5
Ian, Henry and Lowen
Yr 6
Kennie, Alice and Qismah



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Attendance



Attendance % Year to Date		Attendance % This Week	% Change On Last Week
Year R	93.6	95.3	+1.76
Year 1	95.47	95.92	+0.59
Year 2	96.52	96.55	+0.89
Year 3	92.67	88.73	-3.16
Year 4	94.85	95.24	+0.18
Year 5	94.26	93.24	-0.72
Year 6	97.3	93.49	-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 **Rainbow** Class who will receive an extra playtime in the first week of Term 4.

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Forest School



Forest School for the first week of term 4 will be:

Tuesday: Blue Class

Wednesday: Rainbow Class

Thursday: Red Class

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

A Blessing to end the week

Father,

Please pour out Your blessings upon our whole school community so that everyone grows in the knowledge of Your truth, love, wisdom and peace.

In Jesus' name we pray.

Amen



Hot Chocolate

Rainbow class have been awarded the class hot chocolate this week as Miss Gorham, Miss Harper and Mrs Garrett are so proud of the progress they have made this term and have been blown away by their excellent manners and good listening skills with all of the visitors we have had coming into school.

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Children's Mental Health Week

As part of Children's Mental Health week, the NELFT team came in to run wellbeing craft activities in our Nurture Room. The children were able to choose from a variety of activities; Fortune Tellers, designing leaves for the Tree of Thanks, making Back up Butterflies.



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Good news! Kent County Council is lending its support to local school plan

Dear Parents

We write with the good news that the Support Weald Schooling campaign to restore a non-selective secondary school in the Weald has taken a SIGNIFICANT STEP FORWARD with Kent County Council pledging its support.

Following a most encouraging meeting with Beverley Fordham, Leader of KCC's Education and Skills Committee, Nick Abrahams, Assistant Director of Education for West Kent and Claudine Russell, our local county councillor, we have been offered their guidance to shape a proposal to restore a non-selective secondary school to serve children in the Weald.

This proposal will explain our plan to open a smaller school annexed to an existing school that shares our vision of offering truly inclusive, community-based education enabling children to live and learn locally.

If successful in restoring a small, non-selective secondary local school in the Weald, we can:

- Combat the very high level of absenteeism we are currently seeing
- Reduce children's travel times to school
- Provide an alternative to very large schools for those who prefer this
- Offer a range of academic and vocational education pathways for children to make the most of their different talents and interests.
- Reintegrate home-schooled children into mainstream schooling- with all the educational, social and community benefits this brings
- Restore community values to our rural villages
- Give children a sense of belonging as they live, learn and socialise locally

We still have a long way to go but remain steadfast in our commitment. Your support of our campaign is what drives us. Your concerns and voices are being heard and will continue to be vital to creating a viable proposal.

Please keep a look out for our regular updates. If you haven't registered to receive these, please do so at www.supportwealdschooling.co.uk.

With heartfelt thanks from the Support Weald Schooling steering group.

FEBRUARY FAMILY FUN AT HANDS OF HOPE

A HALF TERM MORNING OF WOODCRAFT, YOGA AND SEED PLANTING FOR CHILDREN

FRIDAY 20TH FEBRUARY
10AM - 12.15PM

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MOOR HILL, HAWKHURST

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