

# Hawkhurst

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Friday, 13 March 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been another great week in school with some fantastic learning opportunities and in particular this week, we have had some really fun experiments as part of British Science week.



Jodie Hurrell

My recovery from shoulder surgery is progressing well and I am looking forward to returning to school at the end of next week. In the mean-time please contact Mrs Poland or Mrs Elmes should the need arise.

## Easter Service

The Easter Service will be on Thursday 2nd April at 9am at St Laurence's Church on the Moor.

Children should arrive by 8.45am, and parents are welcome to stay and enjoy the service.

If any parents would like to volunteer to walk back to school with the children, please let the office know.

Breakfast Club will be on as normal and the children will leave school at 8.15am to walk to the Church with staff.

## Non-Uniform Day



Due to a clash with Comic Relief's Red Nose Day, we are moving the Non-Uniform day to next Thursday 19th (It was originally going to be Friday 20th).

To support the day, please bring in any type of chocolate. This is for the School Council's chocolate tombola at the end of term to raise money for the school and KS1 / 2 playground.

## Red Nose Day



On Friday (20th March) we will be supporting Comic Relief and children can wear a red accessory / red nose with their uniform and we will be happy to take any donations for Comic Relief.

## World Book Day



The photos from World Book Day were not available on the school website as reported in last week's Newsletter.

This has now been corrected and you can see all the photos from the day at -

<https://www.hawkhurst.kent.sch.uk/children/gallery/world-book-day-2026>

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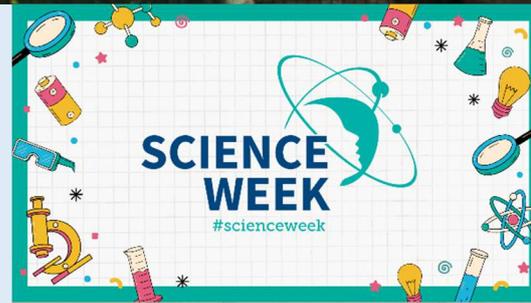
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## Hair Raising Lessons !

As part of British Science Week, a team from the company Servomex came in to school to do workshops with some of the children. One of their company aims is to inspire new scientists and engineers among our youth.

The children were able to see how various gases are used and monitored in the food industry, and they had great fun seeing their teachers' hair stand on end with the Van de Graaf generator. Thank you to Jane, Usha and Bahram for sharing their time and their knowledge with us.



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## Catch up with Rainbow Class

Rainbows have been very busy over the last few weeks! We have completed our Rainforests topic by creating a "Layers of the Rainforest" artwork. We have been learning about the animals of the Rainforest, the weather and where you would find them on the globe. Rainbows have also been introduced to the Easter story and we have been learning about the importance of the cross to Christians.



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

Rainbow

Reggie, Thomas and Isaac

Yr 1

Molly, Haidee and Cleo

Yr 2

Emily, Luna and Emily-Rose

Yr 3

Jakob and Jack

Yr 4

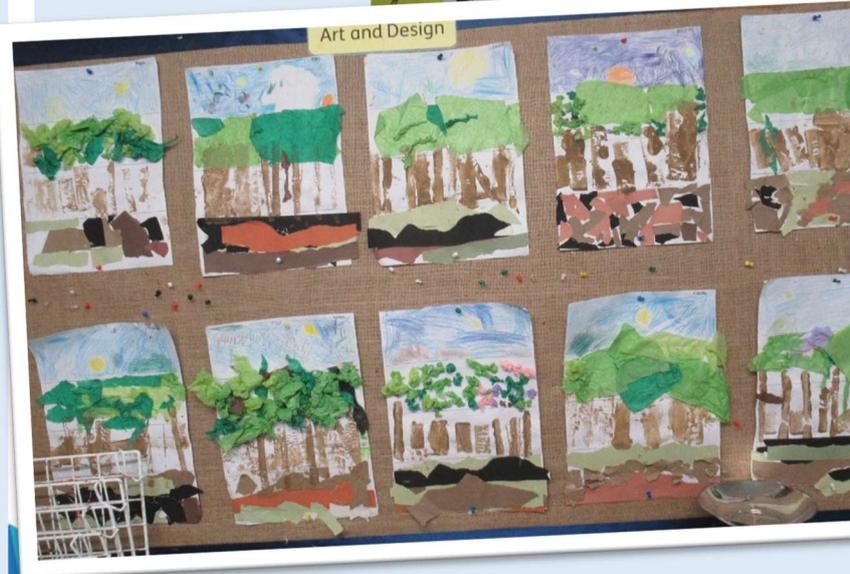
Sienna and Riley

Yr 5

Fletcher, Penny and Albert

Yr 6

Millie, Owen and Violet



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## Attendance



Attendance %		Attendance %	% Change
Year to Date		This Week	On Last Week
Year R	<b>93.8</b>	<b>91.1</b>	<b>-5.7</b>
Year 1	<b>95.7</b>	<b>96.6</b>	<b>-1.0</b>
Year 2	<b>96.4</b>	<b>96.6</b>	<b>+0.3</b>
Year 3	<b>91.5</b>	<b>80.0</b>	<b>-4.7</b>
Year 4	<b>94.6</b>	<b>94.9</b>	<b>+1.6</b>
Year 5	<b>94.3</b>	<b>92.9</b>	<b>-2.9</b>
Year 6	<b>97.2</b>	<b>96.9</b>	<b>+2.2</b>

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.

## 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.

## Author Visit - Thomas Taylor



KS2 were joined by author Thomas Taylor on Wednesday to learn about his inspiration for the Eerie-on-Sea Mysteries series and what his writing process look like. Children from Year 5 were also treated to a 'scribble' workshop with Thomas, where they learnt how to turn a scribble into a character and create a piece of writing based on it! We would like to say a huge thank you to Thomas and to Alex and Christine from the Cranbrook Literature Festival for arranging this visit for our children!



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## Diary Dates

### 19<sup>TH</sup> MAR \*CHANGE OF DATE \*

- Non-Uniform Day - Chocolate Donations

### 20<sup>TH</sup> MAR

- Comic Relief - Red Nose Day

### 25<sup>TH</sup> MAR

- Easter Menu Day

### 26<sup>TH</sup> MAR

- Rocksteady Concert 2:30pm
- Yr 5 Rewind to Easter

### 2<sup>ND</sup> APR

- Easter Service at St. Laurence Church
- Last Day of Term 4

## A Prayer to end the week



Dear Jesus,

You who promise to be with me always, be with me this day as I go off to school:

Bless my going and my coming, bless my learning and my playing, bless my seeing and my hearing;

Protect my heart from fear, I pray, keep me safe, and give me good friends, so that I might experience the fullness of your joy this day and ever more.

I pray this in the name of Jesus, the One who loves me from head to toe.

Amen.



## Forest School



Forest School sessions for next week will be :

**Tuesday: Blue Class (Year 5)**

**Wednesday: Rainbow**

**Thursday: Red Class (Year 1)**

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

A full Forest School Timetable for Term 3 is available on the school website and next page - <https://www.hawkhurst.kent.sch.uk/children/forest-school/forest-school-timetable-for-2025-26>

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## EASTER FAMILY FUN AT HANDS OF HOPE



CELEBRATE SPRING WITH YOGA, FORAGING, BAKING AND NATURE CRAFTS! FOR AGES 5 AND OVER.

FRIDAY 10TH APRIL  
10AM - 12PM

HANDS OF HOPE  
MOOR HILL, HAWKHURST

BOOK YOUR CHILD'S FREE PLACE  
[WWW.HOHCHARITY.CO.UK](http://WWW.HOHCHARITY.CO.UK)



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## Understanding Your Child

Group for Parents and Carers of Toddlers to Teenagers

For parent/carers that would like to know more about sensitive and effective parenting. For parents with children aged 6 months to 19 years.

10 week course exploring:

Tuning Into Children  
Exploring Feelings  
Parenting Styles  
Communication

Temper Tantrums and What Might Be Meant by Them  
Sleep Patterns

Supporting Parent Child Relationships

### Cranbrook Library and Family Hub

Date: Monday 20 April - Monday 6 July

Time: 9.30am - 11.30am

Address: Cranbrook Library and Family Hub, Carriers Road, TN17 3JT

Contact Information: [TWFamilyHub@kent.gov.uk](mailto:TWFamilyHub@kent.gov.uk) / 03000 418059

Booking required – [Click this link to book](#)



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## CRICKET

### SUMMER TRAINING WITH TONBRIDGE CRICKET CLUB



SCHOOL YEARS 4, 5 & 6 | GIRLS ONLY  
FRIDAYS | 24 APRIL - 17 JULY | 6PM - 7.30PM

SCHOOL YEARS 1 TO 6 | BOYS & GIRLS  
SATURDAYS | 25 APRIL - 15 AUGUST | 9AM - 10.30AM

TONBRIDGE CRICKET CLUB, WELLAND ROAD

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