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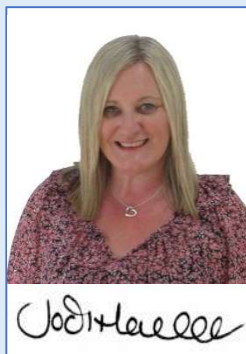
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Dear Parents and Carers,

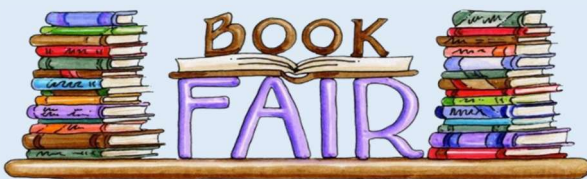
There has been a real change in the weather this week and we still have a lot of children coming to school without coats. Please ensure your child has a coat or waterproof jacket in school with them even if it looks bright when you leave for school.



Jodie Seal

Goodbye Miss Seal (Rainbow Class)

Miss Seal, one of the Teaching Assistants in Rainbow Class will be leaving us on Thursday 25th September to pursue a new career path in children's counselling. We would like to thank Miss Seal for her hard work here at Hawkhurst Primary and we wish her lots of luck for the future.



Thankyou to everyone who purchased books from the Scholastic Book Fair. We raised £211.32 to spend on new books for our library.

HARVEST SERVICE



On Friday 3rd October we will be holding our Harvest Festival Service in St Laurence's Church down on the Moor. Please take your children straight to the church for 8:45 – they do not need to come into school first. Staff will be at the church waiting, and your child should go and sit in the front pews with their class. Parents who are staying for the service will sit in the pews towards the back of the church.

At the end of the service we will walk the children back to school and would appreciate volunteers to walk with us. Please let the office know if you are able to help.

If you are staying for the service and wish to drive your child back to school, please let the office or class teacher know that you will be driving them. Please do not take any other children in your cars unless their parent has spoken to the class teacher beforehand and given you permission to transport them.

Please could children bring a donation of non-perishable food for the Harvest collection.

Children who normally come to breakfast club on a Friday may do so as usual and can walk to the church with staff – we will be leaving school at 8:15am.

In the event of very bad weather on this date, we may have to change plans and hold the service in school, but will be very limited for space.

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Summer Reading Challenge

An incredible 116 children have completed their Summer Reading Challenge and brought their certificates into school!

We are pleased to share that all those who have handed in their certificates will be invited to watch a film at Kino as a treat to celebrate. More details to follow for this via Arbor.

We would like to say a massive thank you to Kino for supporting our children's completion of the challenge again this year!



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

YR: Lucas and Phoebe

Y1: Albert and Archie C

Y2: Evie and Alexi

Y3: Josh S and Niko

Y4: Deacon and Deseret

Y5: Clem and Albert

Y6: Clay and Kennie





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Hawkhurst Heritage Event

On 20th and 21st September, there will be a Heritage Open Days event at the Moor which will include displays about a project that children from Y6 supported whilst in Blue Class. Alongside various art and craft activities and heritage walks, local artist Neil Ashton will be running a workshop on the Sunday for anyone to 'have a go' at lino printing. The event is open to all and free to attend. We hope some of the children who took part in the lino print workshops, and their families will be able to attend. Please see flyer at the end of the newsletter for more information.



Catch up with Blue Class

We have been really impressed with Year 5's David Hockney-inspired artwork. They will be creating their final piece in the next couple of weeks so please check their class page on the website for updates!



Catch up with Violet Class

To link with our topic of Australia in Geography, our task in Art this term has been to create our own piece of Aboriginal artwork. We kept the colour palette limited to mostly browns, oranges, reds and yellows to represent the colours of the Australian landscape. We looked at keeping the work abstract whilst including features such as trees, the sun, animal tracks and layers of rock. To create the dotted effect, we carefully used the end of our paintbrushes.



Don't forget to check out our class page where we have more of these fabulous pictures.

<https://www.hawkhurst.kent.sch.uk/children/class-pages/year-6-violet-class/from-the-classroom>



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Attendance



Attendance %		Attendance %	% Change
Year to Date		This Week	On Last Week
Year R	98.5	98.1	-0.8
Year 1	97.1	97.1	+1.8
Year 2	99.4	99.3	-0.3
Year 3	94.4	92.6	-1.6
Year 4	95.7	94.3	-2.1
Year 5	96.2	93.6	-2.6
Year 6	98.8	98.8	-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 **Orange** Class.

Forest School



Forest School sessions next week will be:

Tuesday: Violet Class (Yr6)

Wednesday: Rainbow Class

Thursday : Yellow Class (Yr3)

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-for-2025-26>

Web Site - What's New

Nurture & Wellbeing

6 New Online Workshops for Terms 1 & 2 from Kent Emotional Wellbeing Team.

<https://www.hawkhurst.kent.sch.uk/parents/nurture-and-wellbeing/latest-courses-and-workshops>

From the Classroom

Updates from KS2 this week, KS1 will be next week.

Violet Class - Aboriginal Art

Blue Class - Term 1 Science

Green Class - Maths & Forest School

Yellow Class - Rocks and Fossils

<https://www.hawkhurst.kent.sch.uk/children/class-pages>

Miscellaneous Updates

Sports Premium Page

<https://www.hawkhurst.kent.sch.uk/key-information/pe-and-sport-premium>

Lunch Menu

<https://www.hawkhurst.kent.sch.uk/parents/lunch-menu>

School Staff

<https://www.hawkhurst.kent.sch.uk/about-us/school-staff>

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

Rainbow

Thomas, Rose and Kitty

Yr 1

Willow, Arthur and Archie S

Yr 2

Evelynne, Gwen and Tony

Yr 3

Toby, Koa and Holly

Yr 4

Peyton, Louis and Elsie A

Yr 5

Esme, Summer and Ethan

Yr 6

Oryn, Quismah and Kai

Diary Dates

23RD SEP

- Open Day for 2026 Intake at 9:30am

24TH SEP

- Open Day for 2026 Intake at 1:30pm

25TH SEPT

- Supporting your Child with Worries and Fears Parent Workshop in school at 1:30 – 3pm.

30TH SEP

- Open Day for 2026 Intake at 9:30am

1ST OCT

- Neurodiversity Coffee Morning

2ND OCT

- Open Day for 2026 Intake at 1:30pm

3RD OCT

- 9:00am Harvest Service at St Laurence Church

7TH OCT

- PTA coffee morning in school at 8:45am

27TH OCT

- Flu Vaccinations

28TH OCT

- Individual Pupil Photos

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Special Menu for School Census Day

Caterlink are doing a special lunch menu for the Census Day on Thursday 2nd October. The school will receive extra funding from the Government for every child in KS1 who has a school lunch on this day, so maybe your child could give school lunch a try.



It is not too late to sign up for the PTA Quiz on Friday 3rd October! We have already sold a number of tables and it would be great to have a few more. All money raised benefits your children in school and helps us to pay for the little extras that we would otherwise not be able to afford.

End of Week Prayer



Loving Father,

Thank you for all who are part of our school. Please grant them your encouragement, wisdom and peace.

Strengthen teachers who have heavy workloads. May they be firm, yet patient, expecting excellence but forgiving mistakes.

May they support their students, playing to strengths, helping with struggles and motivating them to do their best.

Comfort and restore those living under shadows of unhappiness, abuse, pain or fear. May many find faith discovering their identity in You and knowing Your amazing grace in their lives.

Please pour out Your blessings upon our whole school community.

In Jesus name.

Amen



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Calling all parents!

You are invited to our coffee morning on

Wednesday 1st October at 9am.



There will be a short presentation on Emotional Regulation by Natalie from the Neurodiversity team and a member of staff from the Mental Health and Wellbeing team will also be joining us.

There will also be a chance to meet with other parents and have a chat over a cup of tea or coffee.



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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NHS

flu: 5 reasons to vaccinate your child



- 1. Protect your child**
The vaccine will help protect your child against flu and serious complications such as bronchitis and pneumonia
- 2. Protect you, your family and friends**
Vaccinating your child will help protect more vulnerable friends and family
- 3. No injection needed**
The nasal spray is painless and easy to have
- 4. It's better than having flu**
The nasal spray helps protect against flu, has been given to millions of children worldwide and has an excellent safety record
- 5. Avoid costs**
If your child gets flu, you may have to take time off work or arrange alternative childcare

Most children have the nasal spray vaccine which is the preferred vaccine. A vaccine injection is also available which does not contain gelatine from pigs (porcine gelatine).

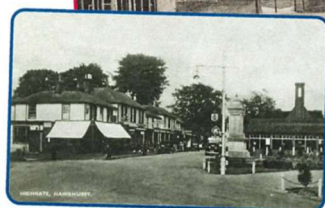
For more information visit
www.nhs.uk/child-flu

Flu i mmunisation

heritage open days

HAWKHURST Heritage Days

King George V Pavilion, The Moor, Hawkhurst
Saturday 20 and Sunday 21 September
11am-3pm



Join staff from
The Amelia Scott
for a weekend
of heritage
happenings!

Discover more about
historic Hawkhurst
through a variety of
activities; heritage walks,
heritage displays, craft
activities, artist sessions
and lots more!

All FREE as
part of Heritage
Open Days Festival.

For more information visit
heritageopendays.org.uk
or contact Rural Projects
Officer, Linda Redden
linda.redden@tunbridgewells.gov.uk



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Come and join us for our very first PTA quiz night!

Hawkhurst CEP School

Friday October 3, 2025, 19:30 - 23:00

Tables are at a cost of £64 each with the maximum number of people at 8 per table. Tickets will include 2 bottles of wine, a bottle soft drink and snacks.

Other drinks available to purchase separately!

It's the perfect way to spend your evening with friends and a little friendly competition!

Tickets can be purchased at

<https://www.pta-events.co.uk/hawkhurstpta/?event=event&eventId=102327>

Tickets sales close on the 22nd September.

We really hope you will support the PTA with this event in order for us to continue to contribute to the schools much needed funds!

Thankyou, the PTA

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