

# Hawkhurst

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Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a very busy week in school and we have definitely felt the colder weather out on the playground! After half term all children should be in winter uniform, although I am happy for children to wear grey shorts if they feel they are warm enough.



Jodie Hurrell

### Lunch Provision



On Wednesday next week (15th October) the hall will be out of action all day so we are unable to have school dinners in there at lunchtime. Therefore, the lunch provided by Caterlink will be a packed lunch that can easily be eaten by the children in the classrooms.

It will contain a sandwich, vegetable crudities, cookie and a piece of fruit and will not be Roast Turkey as advertised. A reminder that Thursday will be fishfingers and chips as it is the last day of term.

### Half Term

A reminder that school finishes for children on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> October. All children return on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> October.



### Rainbow Class



We are looking forward to welcoming Rainbow parents into school on Thursday 16th October, for a special assembly to celebrate the children's first term in school.

This will be at 2:30pm in the school hall.

### Consultation Evenings

There are still spaces if you have not signed up yet to come in and see your child's class teacher. Sign-up sheets are in the lobby outside the office.

Don't forget  
Parents'  
Evening!



### Family Breakfast

A reminder that we are holding our first Family Breakfast on Wednesday, 5th November. We will put a sign-up sheet outside the office after half-term.

There is no cost for this, and everyone is welcome to join us between 8 am and 8:30 am.

### EYFS Entry 2026

If you have a child due to start school in September 2026, online applications open on Friday, 7th November.

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We are now live in  
Hawkhurst Tesco!



We have our amazing new Nurture Room but it is still rather empty. Our dream is for it to be a welcoming and inviting environment for all children and we have many resources left to purchase.

Please vote for us using the blue tokens every time you visit and spread the word! There's a video of Jessica Ennis-Hill promoting us, please have a look at our website and Facebook page and do share with your friends and family!

<https://strongerstarts.tesco.com/video/a0144adb-99ac-4797-8438-e0363bb4d265>



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

YR: Eliza and Fred

Y1: Maisie A and Bodhi

Y2: Mia Link and Bonnie-Mae

Y3: Theo and Josh G

Y4: James and Peyton

Y5: Fletcher and Harry

Y6: Violet and Awa





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### Attendance



Attendance %		Attendance %	% Change
Year to Date		This Week	On Last Week
Year R	98.5	98.8	+2.1
Year 1	97.3	98.9	+3.6
Year 2	98.0	97.3	+3.0
Year 3	94.3	97.7	+8.0
Year 4	94.5	96.1	+1.8
Year 5	95.2	94.3	-1.7
Year 6	98.1	98.1	-1.6

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: 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>

### Diary Dates

#### 14<sup>TH</sup> - 15<sup>TH</sup> OCT

- Parent Consultation Evenings

#### 16<sup>TH</sup> OCT

- Rainbow Class Assembly at 2:30pm
- Last Day of Term 1

#### 27<sup>TH</sup> OCT

- First Day of Term 2
- Flu Vaccinations

#### 28<sup>TH</sup> OCT

- Individual Pupil Photos

#### 30<sup>TH</sup> OCT

- PTA Event - Autumn Disco

#### 5<sup>TH</sup> NOV

- Family Breakfast 8:00 - 8:30 am
- Smartphone Free Childhood Meeting at 2:30pm

### 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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### Hawkhurst Primary School PTA Quiz Night 2025

On Friday, 3rd October, the Hawkhurst PTA organised a Quiz Night for the budding quizzers in our school community. We hosted 9 teams in the school hall for a fantastic evening of fun, laughter, and friendly competition, bringing together parents, staff, and members of the local community in support of our school. Special thanks to our amazing teachers for coming along and supporting the PTA with not one, but two, quiz teams!

Our local Hawkhurst Tesco provided some of the snacks for the tables, which were much appreciated. We were also lucky enough to have been given some fabulous raffle prizes, which helped to raise an incredible amount of money for the school. Huge thanks to the following for their kind donations:

Tesco, Caisters, Lindsay Barrow, Drip Hazzard Cakes, Rhokett, Handmade by Holly, Kelly Rabson, Linda Pope, Bedgebury, Elite Pubs, Peter Buswell, Hawkhurst Lavender, The Blue Bottle Company, Planters A21, Hawkhurst Bonfire Society, EP Therapies, Kino, Tessa Kelly and members of the PTA.

We are very grateful to our amazing Quizmaster (none other than Mrs McIlwraith's brother!) John for giving up his evening to host our quiz. He struck a great balance between fun and challenging questions, with plenty of laughter and good-natured debate along the way.

Congratulations to the Winning and Losing Quiz Teams! We are delighted to report that the event, including ticket sales and our raffle, raised an incredible total of **£1441.95**, which will go towards much-needed resources for our school.

Thank you to everyone who donated, participated, and supported the evening!





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#HelloYellow

10 October

Wear yellow to show young people they're not alone with their mental health

On Thursday Year 1 thought about friendship and how our friends make us feel. We thought about friendship vocabulary we could use to describe a friend and used those words to make a friendship chain. We decorated a strip each with the words on and joined them together. Then, we drew a picture of a friend. Finally, we started to go through our "Special helper" book discussing what made each of us special.

You can catch up with all the activities from #HelloYellow on the school website at :-

<https://www.hawkhurst.kent.sch.uk/children/gallery/hello-yellow-day>

We all took part in the photo booth again this year, we can only fit a few photos in here but you can see all the photos on the webpage using the link above.



and on our website:

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### Catch up with Violet Class

"This morning 16 children from year 6 were invited to go and see the author, Jenny McLachlan" at Dulwich Prep School. We started off by saying what we had for breakfast and what we thought was a funny and making a small rhyme with it.

Then she got some people out and we made a small play based on one of her best selling series, ROAR. Next, she showed us a "Dragon Egg" and we used our rhymes to hatch it. It was such a fun experience and Jenny McLachlan was hilarious!" - Qismah - Year 6



### Catch up with Yellow Class

This week, Yellow class were invited to Wadhurst Park on behalf of the Country Trust to learn about farming, gardening, and sustainable conservation. It included lots of activities such as planting seeds, bird watching, an investigation into soil health, pressing apples to create our own apple juice and even making our very own compost!





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

Rainbow

Phoebe, Frank and Billy

Yr 1

Elsie, Orla and Hunter

Yr 2

Ezra, Emily B and Ana

Yr 3

Sylvia, Jenson and Guntasveer

Yr 4

Elsie PJ, Dolly and Emily

Yr 5

Albie, Ella and Freya

Yr 6

Isobel, Hannah and Isaac

## A Wellbeing Prayer



Loving God,

Thank you for our school community.

We pray for a spirit of peace to fill our classrooms and for kindness to be in every heart.

Help us to learn and grow together, treating each other with respect and compassion.

Grant wisdom to our teachers, strength to our students, and comfort to those who are struggling.

May we find our worth in you, discover our full potential, and be a community of love, belonging, and hope.

Amen



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SCAN QR TO BOOK  
YOUR PLACE!!



10AM UNTIL 3PM  
DROP OFF AT 9:30AM



Monday 20th October

Tuesday 21st October

Wednesday 22nd October

<https://maidstoneunited.co.uk/youth/soccerschool/>

**BARRACUDAS**  
ACTIVITY DAY CAMPS

AT A SCHOOL NEAR YOU IN **2025!**  
EXCLUSIVE PARENT DISCOUNT

USE CODE **SCHOOL20** FOR AN  
EXTRA £20 OFF YOUR BOOKING!

\*Minimum 2 days. \*Not to be used in conjunction with other offer codes

- 4 to 14 year olds!
- 80+ Activities!
- Choice each session!
- Specialist Courses!
- Flexible bookings!

[barracudas.co.uk](http://barracudas.co.uk)  
01480 467 567

HIGHLY RATED  
School Holiday  
Camps!!!



SCAN ME!

OFSTED REGISTERED



THURSDAY 30<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER

HAWKHURST PTA  
PRESENTS

**AUTUMN DISCO**

RECEPTION & KS1: 3.15-4.20PM  
KS2: 4.30-5.45PM

£5

SCAN QR CODE OR VISIT  
[WWW.PTA-EVENTS.CO.UK/HAWKHURSTPTA](http://WWW.PTA-EVENTS.CO.UK/HAWKHURSTPTA)



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