



Hawkhurst

Church of England Primary School

Newsletter No 08.

Friday, 08 November 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to Term 2!
It is another long term and there will be lots of different things going on in the build up to Christmas, so please ensure you read the newsletter each week for updates and reminders.



Jodie Hare

Parent Consultations

Thank you to those of you who have signed up for consultations next week. There are still slots available if you have not yet booked an appointment.

Don't forget
Parents'
Evening!

Rainbows



Thank you to all the Rainbow families who were able to come to our special assembly yesterday where the children gave a little performance and were then presented with a book in recognition of how well they have settled into school.

After School Clubs

A reminder that there will be no Play Place (after school club) and no teacher led clubs next Tuesday and Wednesday as we have parent consultations.

Festive Season

Rainbow Nativity



Rainbow Class will be performing their Nativity on Tuesday 10th December at 2pm.

This will be for Rainbow parents and families only (siblings will see it in school the day before).

KS1 Christmas Production



There will be a KS1 production on Thursday 12th December at 9:30am and on Friday 13th December at 1:30pm. We will allocate tickets nearer the time and your child's teacher will let you know about costumes.

Christmas Service



Our Christmas Service will be held in school on Friday 20th December at 9am. More details will be sent out nearer the time.

Christmas Jumpers and Lunch

We will be holding our Christmas jumper day on the same day as Christmas lunch, which will be Wednesday 18th December. Donations will be collected for Save the Children.



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ANTI-BULLYING WEEK

Choose Respect
2024

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In recognition of next week being anti-bullying week, we are asking all children to wear odd socks on Tuesday.

Miss Eastwood will be leading an assembly in this on Tuesday afternoon.



YOUNG VOICES



In YV this week we have been learning the last of our songs for our concert at The O2 in January. We are really enjoying singing; 'Try Everything' which is a song from the Disney film Zootopia. The plot of Zootopia reminds us never to give up, whatever the odds against us are. Take a look at our website to listen to us practising.

<https://www.hawkhurst.kent.sch.uk/parents/after-school-clubs/young-voices-choir>

PTA

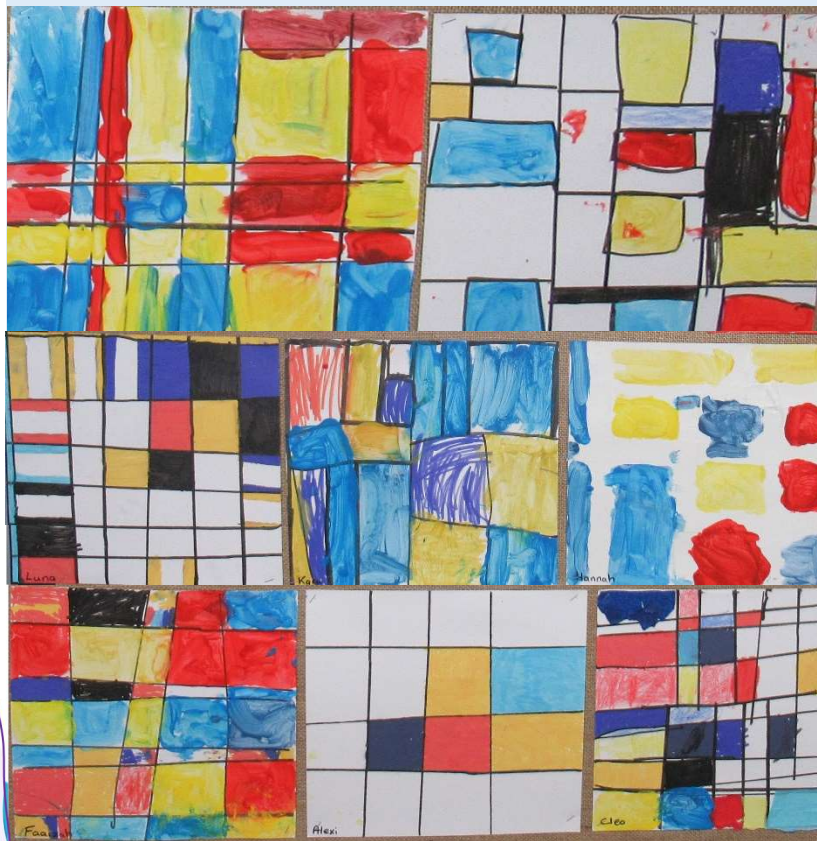
The PTA is organising a Christmas jumper sale to help raise funds for our school, in preparation for the school Christmas jumper day, and we need your help! If you have any old or unwanted Christmas jumpers (in good condition) that your children have outgrown, please consider donating them. Your donations will not only support a great cause, but will also help other families find affordable festive jumpers for the season. Please bring them in by **Thursday 14th November.**



Catch up with Red Class



Red class have been looking at the Artist Mondrian and have created a fantastic display with artwork in his style.



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On Wednesday 13th November it is Positive Noticing Day!

In school we will be writing positive notes for each other; children and staff too.

This year we'll write them on paper leaves which will be stuck up on display on the tree in the hall to make a tree of positivity.

Positive noticing is different to being nice.

It is deliberate and it will build your child's confidence, resilience and self-belief.

Take a moment to reflect your child's positive behaviour at home.

On Wednesday aim for 5 moments of positive noticing.

Get one in before school, maybe one between pick up and tea / dinner time, a couple during your evening routine and again at bedtime.

Frequent positive noticing means that the best behaviour is celebrated in your home every day.

<https://positivenoticingday.com>



Well Done to the children who were awarded a Certificate of Excellence this week :-

Rainbow : Maisie H and Amy

Yr 1 - Florence and Anastazja

Yr 2 - Oliver and Jack

Yr 3 - Elsie PJ and Rosie

Yr 4 - Esme and Ian

Yr 5 - Zara and Isobel

Yr 6 - Ann and Imogen

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Attendance



Attendance % School Year to Date		% Change On Last Week
Year R	93.3	+0.3
Year 1	93.6	-0.2
Year 2	92.3	+0.4
Year 3	96.0	+0.1
Year 4	94.0	+0.1
Year 5	97.9	-0.2
Year 6	94.6	+0.3

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 who will receive an extra playtime next week.



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

Rainbow: Archie S and Cleo

Y1: Alexi and Tennessee

Y2: Koa and Oscar

Y3: James C and Bushra

Y4: Samuel and Sebastien

Y5: Hannah and April

Y6: William and Rowan





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Diary Dates

12TH NOV

- Parent Consultations 3:30pm-6:00pm

13TH NOV

- Parent Consultations 3:30pm-7:00pm
- Positive Noticing Day

28TH NOV

- Diabetes Screening Day

4TH DEC

- Yr R & 6 NHS Weight & Height Check

10TH DEC

- Rainbow Nativity 2:00pm

12TH DEC

- Rocksteady Concert 2:00pm
- KS1 Nativity 9:30am

13TH DEC

- KS1 Nativity 1:30pm

17TH DEC

- Orange Class trip to Pantomime

18TH DEC

- Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Lunch

20TH DEC

- Last Day of Term 2
- Christmas Service 9:00-10:00am

A Prayer of Remembrance to end the week



Dear God,
Thank you for all the courage shown by men, women and children in wartime. We proudly remember them as we celebrate their service, sacrifice, and selflessness. We can never bring back our fallen soldiers, but we can honour them in our daily actions. Let everything we do today of our own free will, be done in remembrance of those who sacrificed their lives to make it possible.

Amen



Forest School



Forest School sessions next week will be:

Tuesday: Year 1

Wednesday: Rainbow

Thursday: Year 3

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

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Admission to

Primary school in Kent 2025

Apply online at

kent.gov.uk/primaryadmissions

Opens Tuesday 5 November 2024 and closes at
midnight on Wednesday 15 January 2025

For children born between
1 September 2020
and **31 August 2021**,
Transferring to Primary school
in **September 2025**

What to do

Choose a school

It's important to find out more about the schools you are interested in before you decide to name them on the application form.

Read the guide to Primary admissions at www.kent.gov.uk/primaryadmissions.

You can name up to three Primary schools, inside or outside of Kent, but you must name them all on the same application.

Apply for a school place

A simple, fast, convenient process which opens Tuesday 5 November 2024 and closes at midnight on Wednesday 15 January 2025.

You will first need to set up an online account. The applicant is you, the parent/carer; you will then need to add your child's details before starting an application. You will receive a confirmation email that your application has been correctly submitted.

You can log back in at any time to view the information submitted.

Receiving your offer

On offer day (Wednesday 16 April 2025) an email will be sent after 4pm informing you of your offer.

You must accept or decline the school place you have been offered by Wednesday 30 April 2025.

A link to a guide with information you will need to provide the school with will be in your offer email.

If it has not been possible to offer your child a place in your preferred school, you have the right to appeal. You can also add their name to the school's waiting list.

Moving house during the application window will likely complicate your application and we therefore advise you to pay special attention to key dates in the admissions process. KCC has no discretionary authority to vary the process for parents who cannot complete address moves in time to make use of them for admissions purposes. If you have queries relating to this, please email the team on one of the email addresses below.

Key dates

Tuesday 5 November 2024	Online application process opens. Go to www.kent.gov.uk/primaryadmissions to register and apply.
Wednesday 15 January 2025	Online application process closes for the main round. Any amendments after this date must be emailed to kentonlineadmissions@kent.gov.uk
Wednesday 16 April 2025	Offers of school places sent to parents via email after 4pm.
Wednesday 30 April 2025	Parents should contact the school to accept/refuse the place that has been offered and can use the link in the offer email to ask for their child to be added to the waiting list of schools named on the original application.
Tuesday 20 May 2025	Appeals need to be lodged by this date to be heard before September – appeals information can be found at www.kent.gov.uk/schoolappeals . You can only appeal for schools that were named on the application form.

Need help?

Email primaryadmissions@kent.gov.uk

Full information booklet can also be viewed online at kent.gov.uk/primaryadmissions

Only one application per pupil will be accepted. If you apply online, do not complete any other form of application. Keep your login details safe and use your registered email address for all communication with the team.

The confirmation email may go to your junk/spam folder of your email – please check here before contacting our team for confirmation.

Please note applications can only be made via Kent County Council if the child resides at a Kent address. If your child does **not** reside at a Kent address, you must make an application via your Local Authority.

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