





Weekly Bulletin

W/C 19th May 2025

Whole School

Moments Matter, Attendance Counts - Our target is for children to attend school every day; a target of 100%. If you view Arbor you will be able to see your child's attendance. If it is below 96% we will start to monitor their attendance.

Please remember holiday requests will be unauthorised and penalty notices will be issued. Please refer to our new Attendance Policy on the school website which includes the new government rules.

Overall attendance for this week is: **97.2**%

FG	FT	1G	1T	2G	2Т	3G	3T	4G	4T	5G	5T	6G	6GO	6Т
97.1%	89.2%	100%	97.2%	100%	95.7%	99.2%	93.8%	99.6%	96.7%	96.4%	99.2%	100%	100%	96.9%

Absences - Please remember that all absences MUST be reported to the school <u>each day</u> unless otherwise agreed. Absences can be reported preferably by the Arbor portal or via the absence line or an email. This is part of our absence and safeguarding policies. Home visits will take place if we have not had any communication from parents. Please also ensure that Arbor contains at least 2 emergency numbers for your child.



Wednesday 21st May - Class Photos and Sports Team photos

Please ensure your child comes to school wearing the correct uniform.

Lost property - table will be set up outside reception from **Monday 19th** - **Friday 23rd May (Friday** - **morning only).** If your child has misplaced any items, please take a moment to check the table. Any unclaimed items will be donated to charity on Friday after the morning school run.





The Village Hall is looking to extend its current parking to use the land beyond the hedge running adjacent to Running Foxes Lane. If you feel this is something you'd like to support , please contact Geoff Darvill, the Chair of the Singleton Village Hall. He has a petition for supporters to sign. https://singletonvillagehall.co.uk/

Medicines in the school

Please remember that children should not have any medicines (other than inhalers) in their bags. Any medication in school needs to be logged and kept safely. As per our policy, we do not routinely administer medicines, but acknowledge that there may be occasions with health conditions when this may be necessary. In these circumstances administration must be in cooperation with staff and the relevant form completed. We must ensure the safety of all. Thank you for your support with this.



Wednesday 18th June 6.30-7.30pm - Important Online Safety Session for all parents.

Rachel Murray (Prevent Education Officer KCC) will cover general online safety messages, the rise in violent and disturbing content online and the impact this is having on young people, the risks of radicalisation online through social media & gaming, and some strategies and advice for parents to teach their children to be safer online. This session is essential for parents of children of all ages.

A link will be sent separately closer to the time.

Our suave (sophisticated) word of the week is: tempt

Does your child understand the meaning of this word? Can they use this word in a sentence? Can they spell the suave word? How many times can they use the word throughout the week in their speech or writing?



If you'd like to keep up to date with the **Friends' Association** please feel free to follow them on their various social media groups:

https://www.facebook.com/FriendsofGreatChartPrimarySchool https://www.instagram.com/friendsofgreatchartprimary

Next Friends' Association Meeting: Tuesday 20th May 7pm

School Vacancies - We are advertising for Cleaning and Assistant Site Manager vacancies. If you are interested, please visit our school website for more details: <u>Vacancies</u>

FYFS

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Year 1

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PACKED LUNCH MENU



Monday 25th June - deadline for lunch choices if provided by the school for the school trip. Your child will need a packed lunch. This can be provided free of charge by our catering company. Please email the school with your choice of the following: Roll - Cheese OR Ham. Drinks are NOT provided and your child will need a bottle of water.

Wednesday 2nd July - Educational Visit to Samphire Hoe.

Year 2

Monday 19th May 2025 - Educational Visit to Chatham Dockyard - Full details can be found in the original letter. Children are welcome to dress up as pirates. Stripy t-shirt and jeans are fine. Suitable footwear as there is lots of walking all day!



Friday 23rd May - Pirate Day

The children can come to school in a pirate costume.

Monday 16th June - Year 2 Parents invited for school dinner - ADVANCE NOTICE

Parents of Year 2 children will be able to come and join them for the school dinner. Any 2 people from each family can come. Dinner for adults will be £3.15 or £2.60 if a pre-school child is coming. More details to follow once the menu for next term is confirmed.

Year 3

Thursday 5th June - Year 3 Roman Day

Children can come to school dressed in their Roman costumes. We will be taking part in lots of different activities, including a workshop from a lady who works for Lullingstone Roman Villa. She will be bringing in artefacts for the children to look at and learn about.

In the afternoon, we would like to invite you to join us from 1:45-2:45 in the large hall, where we will have an activity for you to do with your children. Please don't worry if you can't make it, as all of the children will be taking part regardless and no one will miss out. We are looking forward to seeing you all then.

Year 4

Boys Football Trials - Friday 6th June 3:15-4:15pm

It has been another successful season for the Great Chart football teams, both boys and girls. Looking ahead there will be trials for the 2025/26 season for current Year 4 and 5 boys. Please sign up via Arbor if your child would like to be involved by **Friday 23rd May**.

Football boots and shin pads are essential. Further details about the girls' team will follow at a later date.

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Monday 9th June - deadline for lunch choices if provided by the school for the school trip.

Your child will need a packed lunch. This can be provided for £2.60 by our catering company. Please email the school with your choice of the following: Roll - Cheese OR Ham. **Drinks are NOT provided** and your child will need a bottle of water.

Year 5

Thursday 22nd May - **5 Griffing Swimming** - Please ensure the children have a bag containing costume/trunks, towel and goggles. Please can we ask that earrings are removed.

Thursday 22nd May - Forest School. Please provide a change of clothing and footwear. Depending on the weather, you may wish to provide sun cream, hats or even a raincoat.

Friday 23rd May - Power Down Day

Please can the children wear their PE kits, including trainers. Please may we ask that they have sun cream and a hat too (weather dependent)

Year 5 Parent Consultations - Polite Reminder - You are now able to book the Consultations on Arbor. We look forward to seeing you there.

Mon 2nd June 2025 - Kent Test registration opens: kent.gov.uk/kenttest

Tuesday 1st July 2025 - Kent Test registration closes

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Year 6

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Goldwell

Riding letters to be returned by **19th May** please.

Get your home and garden summer-ready!

Play our lottery this month and you could win a £1000 B&Q Voucher (or £1,000 cash alternative)

Get your tickets before Saturday 31st May for your chance to win!

Plus a local winner EVERY SATURDAY.

£1 per ticket. For every ticket you play, 74.2% goes to our school.

https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/great-chart-primary-school

