



## Weekly Bulletin

W/C 27th April 2026

### 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: **97.6%**

FG	FT	1G	1T	2G	2T	3G	3T	4G	4T	5G	5T	6G	6T
99.2	96.6	99.2	100	97.1	98.8	96.7	97.5	98	97.2	98.3	97.9	99.6	90.8

**Absences** - Please remember that all absences **MUST** be reported to the school each day 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 3 emergency numbers for your child.**



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 28th April**

**Pre loved uniform**

<https://www.facebook.com/greatchartpreowneduniform>

**1st May Sponsored Colour Fun Run** (after school). Sign up on Arbor via clubs section. Deadline 29th April 5pm.



### PLEASE NOTE

**Friday 1st May - due to Colour Run the school office will be closed from 3.30pm.**

**Please use the KS1 gate to access the school field for the run.**

**There will be no toilet facilities during this event unless in an emergency.**

### Healthy Lunch Boxes

We would like to promote the need for parents to ensure their child is provided with a healthy lunch if they bring a packed lunch to school.

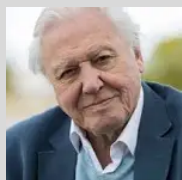
Whether squeezing it in before the school run in the morning or before bed on busy midweek evenings, preparing your child's lunchbox can seem like just another thing on the list.

School meals are a great choice, but if you do make a packed lunch for your child then we've got you covered with our range of quick, easy, healthy lunchbox ideas and tips.

Please use the link to provide you with some healthy eating options and advice:

<https://www.nhs.uk/healthier-families/recipes/healthier-lunchboxes/#tips>





**8th May** - celebration day for **Sir David Attenborough's 100th birthday**. Children are invited to dress up as either animals, explorers or environmentalists (please note, this is not an 'own clothes day' and if children do not wish to dress up, they will be required to wear school uniform). On this day, children will have a live assembly, we will be conducting lessons and nature walks around the local area, investigating more about his life and work and having a themed lunch.

### Green Warriors (for Years 2-4) - 14th May

Kent Adult and Family Education are leading a Green Warriors event in the large hall for Yr 2-4 children (plus a parent). Families find fun and creative ways with their children to help the environment by reducing, reusing and recycling. Please book a place via Arbor from 9am on 27th April 2026.



### Contenance Coffee Morning - Monday 22nd June at 9.30am

**Emily Compton**, Assistant Practitioner, Kent School Health is piloting a project to improve continence issues in children such as day/night wetting, constipation, or being unable to clean themselves properly after going to the toilet. Please come and join Emily for a coffee morning in the school's Community Room. The coffee morning is informal, non-judgemental and a safe space for parents. If you need any more information, please contact our Family Liaison Officer - [flo@great-chart.kent.sch.uk](mailto:flo@great-chart.kent.sch.uk)



Our suave (sophisticated) word of the week is: **major**

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?

### EYFS

Following Mrs Pang's email last term, please remember that **KS1 pupils should not be bringing scooters to school, unless they are participating in Wheely Good Fun club**. We appreciate the children are enjoying their new found skills, but we need to keep it safe and manageable for everyone.

**3rd June - Educational Visit to Wingham Wildlife Park**. Full details can be found in the original letter.

### Year 1

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**9th June - Educational Visit to Samphire Hoe** - **payment deadline 28th April**. **If we have not received sufficient contributions by this date we may have to cancel.**

### Year 2

Following Mrs Pang's email last term, please remember that **KS1 pupils should not be bringing scooters to school, unless they are participating in Wheely Good Fun club**. We appreciate the children are enjoying their new found skills, but we need to keep it safe and manageable for everyone.

**11th May 2026 - Educational Visit to Chatham Dockyard**. Your child has the opportunity to dress as a pirate on this day if they wish. This does not need to be a bought costume but could be put together with a stripy t-shirt, hat and trousers. Otherwise school uniform must be worn. Trainers are advised, and warm layers due to being next to the docks, which can be breezy.

### Year 3

**29th April - Educational Visit to Kent Life**. Our last activity is at 2.30 so we anticipate returning to school later than 3pm, it is most likely going to be 3.20/3.30 traffic dependent. Should we encounter any unexpected problems you will be contacted by a member of school staff to keep you updated on our ETA.

Children can wear their Roman costumes but are asked to leave their weapons at home, please make sure children are dressed appropriately for the weather and are wearing sensible shoes.

**Thursday 4th June - Year 3 Roman Day** - Children can come to school dressed in their Roman costumes.

## Year 4

**30th April - Educational Visit to Folkestone.** As part of the day, we hope to be using further life skills to visit the fish and chip shop to buy chips to have with the packed lunch. If you would like your child to buy a portion of chips, please send in **£1.50** in a named envelope **by Tuesday 28th April. This needs to come to the class teacher.** We are unable to 'sub' any children who have not brought in the money. Your child will still need a packed lunch.



## Year 5

**30th April - Swimming 5 Griffin**

### Stepping up to secondary School - 4th June 2026

Kent Adult Education are leading a session in school for parents of Y5 and 6 children who would like the opportunity to discuss with other parents the anxieties over starting a new school. It will cover how to best prepare your child and know what to expect. Please book a place via ARBOR from 9am on 1st May.

## Year 6

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## Goldwell

**30th April - Educational Visit to Folkestone.** Children should be in full school uniform and will need a packed lunch, sun hat, water bottle and comfortable trainers.

**1st May - Goldwell INSET day. School closed to children.**

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