



Weekly Bulletin

W/C 28th April 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: **96%**

FG	FT	1G	1T	2G	2T	3G	3T	4G	4T	5G	5T	6G	6GO	6T
93.3%	95%	94.4%	95.2%	98.9%	93.1%	98.9%	100%	97.3%	97.3%	100%	96.8%	95.8%	91.7%	100%

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 2 emergency numbers for your child.



VE Day celebrations 8th May 2025 - please see attached flyer for information about local events taking place. We will be commemorating VE Day in school on Thursday 8th May.

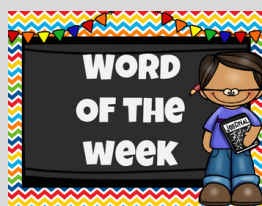
Clubs

Please use this [link](#) to sign your child up to TSS Football for Term 5.



Brigade Uniform

Our uniform supplier is offering a 10% discount over the May Bank holiday weekend, please use promo code **BANKHOL10** for your discount from 3rd-5th May <https://www.brigade.uk.com/parents/>



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

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:

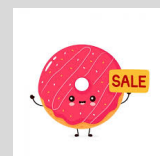
<https://www.facebook.com/FriendsofGreatChartPrimarySchool>

<https://www.instagram.com/friendsofgreatchartprimary>

Pre loved uniform <https://www.facebook.com/greatchartpreowneduniform> or the next sale will be on **Thursday 1st May in the afternoon**

Next Friends' Association Meeting: Tuesday 29th April 7pm

Doughnut Sale - Friday 2nd May after school outside reception. Further details to follow.



The Empowerment Approach with Kit Messenger

On **Wednesday 30th April 7:30- 8:30pm**, we will be offering parents the chance to join an online training event with Kit Messenger who is the founder of the Empowerment Approach. She will be talking about how parents can support their children with this approach. The link for this meeting was emailed to parents.

Term Dates 2025/2026

Please note the term dates for the next academic year have now been published on [the school website](#).

EYFS

Wednesday 30th April - 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.

Wednesday 7th May - Educational Visit to Wingham Wildlife Park. Please see the original email for full details.

Year 1

Wednesday 2nd July - Educational Visit to Samphire Hoe. Please see the original email for full details. **Payment deadline - Wednesday 14th May.**

Year 2

Thursday 1st May - Forest School. Children will need a change of warm comfortable clothes and a waterproof coat as we go out in all weathers.

Thursday 8th May - 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.

19th May 2025 - Educational Visit to Chatham Dockyard - Full details can be found in the original letter.

Year 3

Tuesday 29th April 2025 - Educational Visit to Kent Life. Full details can be found in the original letter.

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

Year 5

Monday 28th April - deadline for lunch choices if provided by the school for the school trip.

Your child will need a packed lunch. This can be provided by our catering company for £2.60. If your child is in receipt of free school meals, there won't be a charge. Please email the school with your choice of the following: Roll - Cheese OR Ham.

Thursday 1st May (5T) and Friday 2nd May (5G) - Aqua lab River trip

We are really looking forward to our river trip next week. Please ensure the children are wearing school uniform on the top and then leggings/joggers or shorts on the bottom half. The children do need wellies for this trip but may wish to carry these in their backpack as they can be uncomfortable to walk in. Trainers are advised.

Please ensure your child has a water bottle, plenty to drink and a morning snack. Depending on the weather, they may wish to bring a raincoat or sun cream.

Thursday 1st May - 5 Griffing Swimming - Every Thursday this term (and 5th June next term) 5G will be swimming. Please ensure the children have a bag containing costume/trunks, towel and goggles. Please can we ask that earrings are removed. 5T will be swimming from 12th June.

Moving to secondary school - Thursday 19th June 9:30-11:30 - Community Room

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 the 19th May 2025.

Year 6

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Goldwell

Please remember to bring in a fruit snack, a hat, packed lunch and glasses every day.

Please send in PE kits on Monday.

Win a LUXURY CITY BREAK with the next SUPERDRAW!

Play our lottery this month and you could win a Luxury City Break (or £1,000 cash alternative)

Get your tickets before Saturday 26th April 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>

