



Weekly Bulletin

W/C 29th Sept 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	2T	3G	3T	4G	4T	5G	5T	6G	6T
96.3%	96.3%	97.1%	97.9%	96.7%	96.4%	99.6%	98.3%	99.2%	97.6%	98.4%	96.7%	97.2%	94.6%

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.**



**Thursday 2nd October - SUPERHERO DAY - OVER 120 PRIZES TO BE WON
NO DRESSING UP - SPECIAL LUNCH ONLY**

Some lunches will come with some lucky stickers that can be exchanged for prizes. Over 120 prizes to be WON. All your child has to do is to have the school dinner to get a chance to win a prize.

It is a school census day and part of the school funding is based on the number of children who have the school dinner that day. Please support the school.

- Spider-Man Crispy Chicken Web Wrap with Curly Fries and Choice of Dip**
- Captain America's Shield of Crispy Quorn Wrap with Curly Fries**
- Hawkeye's Pasta Bows with Basil Tomato Sauce**
- Wolverine's Jacket Potato with Topping of the Day**
- Iceman's Ice Lollies**

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

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 14th October



Friday 10th October- Y1-6 school discos organised by The Friends' Association - please book a place via ARBOR under **CLUBS**. Booking will run until 8th October 5pm. **NO further tickets will be issued after this date!** 4-5pm Y1-2/ 5:15- 6:15pm Y3-4/ 6:30- 7:30 Y5-6



Sunday 5th October - Parkrun

We have signed up as Parkrun Primary and would like to encourage as many pupils as possible to attend and represent the school at the event on Sunday 5th October. Please see attached letter for full details as you will need to sign up to get your barcode.



Kent Community Health
NHS Foundation Trust

The Immunisation Service will visit the school on 5th November 2025.

Parents are invited to complete the seasonal flu form at www.kentimmunisations.co.uk before 4pm on 31st October 2025. Please indicate whether you consent to your child receiving the vaccine by selecting accept or decline. Your school code is: **KT118375**



Adult Family Education - Kite Making Thursday 9th October Y2-4 (one pupil plus an adult to attend) 3:15- 5:15pm

Families will extend knowledge, work together, design and make kites and fly their kite, weather permitting. Please book a place via ARBOR from 15th September

Hello Yellow - Friday 10th October 2025

Pupils and staff are asked to wear a yellow t-shirt or hair band. The aim of the campaign is to show young people that they are not alone with their mental health and to raise vital funds for Young Minds. Please note pupils must wear their school skirt or trousers as normal. Pupils do not have to take part if they do not wish to. We would like to take this opportunity to signpost you to the Young Minds website if you would like to make a donation: <https://www.youngminds.org.uk/support-us/donate/>



EYFS



Friends' Association Teddy Bear Picnic - **CANCELLED**

By Thursday 2nd October - Family Photo Required

As part of our 'All About Me' topic, the children will be making a family tree. Please could you send in a photo of your family to be used for their tree. Photos can be emailed to the office for the attention of your child's teacher, or sent in via the Home Link book. Please do not stick them in.

Please note that we will be unable to return any photos, as the children will be cutting, sticking, and gluing them to their tree. Thank you in advance.

Tuesday 14th October at 2.15pm - EYFS Phonics Session

We will be running a phonic session to EYFS parents in the large hall. Please do not bring young children to the session. The session will finish in time for pick up at 2:55pm.

Year 1

Handwriting Parent Workshops for Year 1 and 2 Parents

Letter formation is a key skill children need to do to become able writers. Poor letter formation can affect your child's progress in English and other areas of the curriculum. If you feel that your child is struggling with this or you would just like to see how we teach handwriting in school, please sign up (via arbor) for one of the sessions below:

Tuesday 7th October @ 8:50am OR Wednesday 8th October @2:25pm

Please note: the content will be the same as last year so you may have already attended but please come along again for a refresher if needed!

Year 2

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Year 3

Monday 6th October - Deadline for Plain White T-shirts to be in by - can the children please bring in a named plain white t-shirt that they will decorate and then wear during our hunt for Woolly Mammoth.

Year 4

Monday 29th September - Forest School

For Forest School this term, we are going on an autumn walk to search for seeds and shades of autumn colour. We will be visiting Singleton Lake. Please can you ensure that your child has:

- waterproof footwear (the puddles are always very enticing)!
- a waterproof coat (we will still be going out if it's raining)!
- a pair of trousers to wear (e.g. jeans, leggings)

Thursday 2nd October - Swimming for 4 Griffin

Monday 6th October - Viking Day

We will be holding a Viking Day in school. We would love the children to come dressed as Vikings, this can either be in the form of a costume or in dark brown/black clothing. We have held our Viking days for the past few years so it is always a good idea to contact previous members of Year 4 to see if they may have a costume you could borrow.

Year 5

Girls Football for Yrs 5 & 6 will start on Wednesday 8th October. Please sign up on Arbor.

PE Kits to return to being worn on Mondays and Tuesdays please unless notified otherwise. Please can you ensure that children have water bottles in school as they certainly need them during and after PE.

Thursday 4th December - Leeds Castle Trip

We are very excited to offer the children this brilliant opportunity. Please consult the letter for more details on this.

Year 6

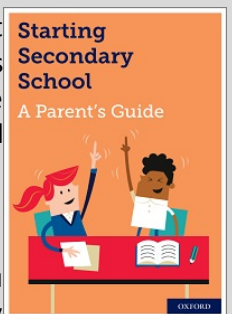
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Secondary School Open Mornings - with secondary school open mornings starting over the next few weeks, please could we ask parents to email the office in advance to inform them of any dates and times their child will not be in school. Ideally it would be great if the children could be registered first by popping to the office from 8:20am. If this is a problem please phone the school office on the day to register your child and notify them of their meal choice.

Applying for a Secondary School place

You must apply for a secondary school place for your child to start year 7 at secondary school. You will need to do this when your child is in year 6 at primary school. Applications opened on Monday 1 September 2025. Apply before Friday 31 October 2025. Apply via [this link](#)
Please follow the instructions carefully to apply and make your 4 choices.

Residential - Please note the next installment is due by **30th September**. Please see the original email for full details.



Monday 24th November - School trip to Kent Life. The cost per pupil is £23.00 and must be received by 8th October. Please see the original email for full details.

Goldwell

Named **PE kits** to be sent into school for **Tuesday** (returned Friday).
Water bottles and fruit/veg snack sent in daily please.

Enter Our SuperDraw - Win a £1000 Aldi Giftcard

Play our lottery this month and you could win a £1000 Aldi Giftcard.
Get your tickets before **Saturday 27th September** 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>

