



Weekly Bulletin

W/C 30th March 2026

LAST DAY OF TERM - THURS 2ND APRIL

FIRST DAY OF TERM - MONDAY 20TH APRIL

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: **96.5%**

FG	FT	1G	1T	2G	2T	3G	3T	4G	4T	5G	5T	6G	6T
91.3	94.8	99.2	97.5	99.6	97.9	96.1	98.8	94.4	99.6	100	93.7	94.4	95

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>

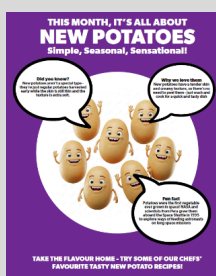
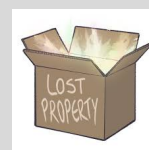
Next Friends' Association Meeting: Tuesday 28th April

Pre loved uniform <https://www.facebook.com/greatchartpreowneduniform>

School Uniform - Special Discount by Brigade Clothing - Friday 27th March – Monday 30th March

SPRING PROMOTION – 10% Discount Code: Enter **BLOOM10** at the checkout - Visit: <http://www.brigade.uk.com/>

Lost Property. Due to the amount of lost property we have in school, we will be putting a table outside reception from **Monday 30th March** until the end of term. Please do have a look for any items that your child may have misplaced. All left over items will be donated to charity at the end of the term, on Thursday 2nd April.



Ingredient of the Month for April

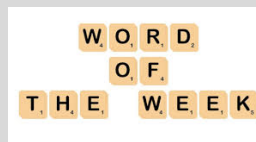
This month it's all about - **NEW POTATOES**. Simple, seasonal, sensational!

Our catering staff will, once again, showcase the chosen ingredient through displays on the counter, in salads, or samples for the children to taste. We hope this will inspire children to explore new flavours, and we encourage parents to try the recipes at home as well. For those who complete the colouring, these need to be handed to the kitchen and some children will win a prize. Also any photos of completed recipes will be in for the prize. Please click [here](#) for more details.

New menu for Term 5 - please click [here](#).

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

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?



Palm Sunday at St Mary's Church Great Chart will be celebrated with a procession up Great Chart Hill, led by a donkey, with hymns and palm leaves. It starts at 9:45am from the Swan and Dog car park, and Great Chart Primary School is invited to join. Those unable to walk up the hill can meet at the church gate to join the procession into the church.

Clothes Bank - Reminder in time for the Spring Clean!

Please help us to raise money for the school by bringing your unwanted clothes to our clothes bank. This is placed in the Key Stage 2 waiting area by the kitchen entrance. Items that you can bring are:

YES: Clothes, paired shoes, handbags, belts, towels, cds, dvds, video games, books, bric-a-brac

NO: pillows, duvets, glass, metal, paper, carpets, rubbish

School will be given a donation for each filled clothes bank. At the same time you will also be supporting a charity - Rockinghorse, who support sick children and the Royal Alexandra Children's Hospital in Brighton. Thank you to all parents who already support the school by donating their unwanted clothes.



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.



EYFS

3rd June - Educational Visit to Wingham Wildlife Park - **payment deadline 22nd April**. Full details can be found in the original letter.

Year 1

9th June - Educational Visit to Samphire Hoe - **payment deadline 28th April**. Full details can be found in the original letter.

Year 2

11th May 2026 - Educational Visit to Chatham Dockyard - **payment deadline 1st April**. Full details can be found in the original letter.

Year 3

31st March - Last swimming session for 3 Toke

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

Year 4

30th April - Educational Visit to Folkestone. Full details can be found in the original letter.

Year 5

Tuesday 31st March - LAST PADEL SESSION - This will be our last Padel Tennis session. Please can the children wear their PE kit on this day only. We will not have PE on Monday. Please ensure they bring a water bottle to school too.

Monday 20th April- Friday 24th April - Bikeability

All the children that are joining in Bikeability will need to bring their bikes to school on the first day back. This will give the tutors time to check over the bikes before taking the children through the various cycling skills. Please ensure they bring their bike and helmet to school on this day. Mrs Thomas will meet the children at the gate. Any children who do not have a bike, will be able to borrow one from the Bikeability team. (Obviously they only have limited supplies). If you wish, the children can leave their bikes at school all week.

23rd April Swimming - 5 Griffin. Please see the original email for full details. **Payment deadline - Wednesday 22nd April.**

Year 6

Year 6 Leavers' Hoodies - Ordering deadline Friday 17th April - Click [HERE](#) to order.

**Please note, the links for Y6 and Goldwell are different. Make sure you are clicking the right one.
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