

Hawkhurst

Church of England Primary School



Newsletter No 21.

Friday, 07 March 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a busy week with World Book Day, a visit from the Fire and Rescue Service and different classes undertaking different activities in school. It has been lovely to see some sunshine and we hope this is now the beginning of spring!



Jodi Hare

Place 2 Be

Sadly, we will be losing Place 2 Be after Easter.

Amanda Harding our counsellor will be moving onto a new job closer to home after the holiday and we have made the decision that with Amanda leaving, it is the right time for us to finish working with them. We now have the NHS Mental Health Pathway up and running in school and they will be able to provide the 1-1 counselling for children, as well as more workshops and support for parents. We would like to thank Amanda and Place 2 Be for all the wonderful work they have done with us over the last few years.



Parent Workshop

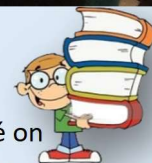
We are hosting a workshop for parents on supporting your child with worries and fears, on Thursday 31st March at 1:30pm.

Please sign up at the office if you would like to attend.



Years 1 And 2 Reading Café

We are looking forward to our first Reading Café on Wednesday 19th March for Years 1 and 2. Please remember to sign up at the office if you would like to attend.



Summer Uniform

I have been asked by several parents when children can start to wear summer uniform. We generally say after the Easter holiday, but we are happy for you to make the switch as soon as you feel it is warm enough. Summer uniform should be a blue and white school dress, grey shorts and white polo top.



If you have any summer uniform that is in good condition that your child has grown out of, we would be happy to take it off your hands.

Assessment Week

Children will be doing their end of term assessments in the week beginning Monday 24th March. Please do your best to ensure your child is in school for this. Results will be sent out as usual, just after the Easter break.



Advance Notice

Parent Consultations will be held on Tuesday 29th and Wednesday 30th April. Please put these dates in your diary and ensure you sign up for a slot once the sheets are in the entrance hall. We had a very high attendance rate in the autumn term and would love to have 100% attendance this time.

Don't forget Parents' Evening!

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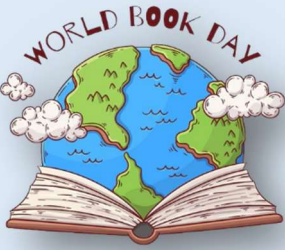
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We had an amazing day in school yesterday for WBD! We hope the children enjoyed showing you the books they had chosen from our Waterstones Shop. Thank you to everyone who dressed up and made the day so much fun! You can find a video and more photos on the school website -

<https://www.hawkhurst.kent.sch.uk/news-and-events/world-book-day-2025>

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Attendance



	Attendance % Year to Date	Attendance % This Week	% Change On Last Week
Year R	93.6	92.1	-3.8
Year 1	94.0	93.0	-3.7
Year 2	93.9	90.1	-6.4
Year 3	94.8	94.4	+1.5
Year 4	93.5	98.5	+5.6
Year 5	96.9	99.0	-0.6
Year 6	94.6	97.4	+3.1

The above table shows attendance for the year so far for each class together with a view on how this week has changed from last week. (Green is Good)

This week's winners were *Blue Class* who will receive an extra playtime next week.

Hot Chocolate with Mrs Hacker

Well-done to the children who have been recognised today for demonstrating our school values: Compassion, Hope, and Community.

Rainbow: Molly and Laurie

Y1: Kara and Evie

Y2: Oscar and Chloe

Y3: Bella and Freya

Y4: Jensen and Seb

Y5: Darcie C and April

Y6: Marley and Billy



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Catch up with Blue Class

Blue Class have been busy planting at two sites in Hawkhurst this term. The first group visited the Woodland Trust at Stream Lane to plant trees last week and the second group assisted volunteers at the Hands of Hope gardens to plant a hedgerow on Tuesday. Both groups worked incredibly hard and used teamwork to get all the planting done.



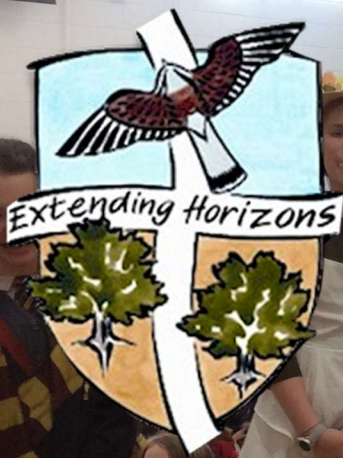
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Forest School

Forest School sessions next week will be:

Tuesday: Violet Class

Wednesday: Rainbow Class

Could we please ask you to ensure children have Forest School clothing appropriate for the weather conditions and sensible waterproof footwear.

Forest School will take place even if the weather isn't great and children need to be dressed in warm and waterproof clothing.



Diary Dates

19TH MAR

- Reading Cafe for Yr 1 & 2 (9:15 - more details to follow)

24TH MAR

- Assessment Week

25TH MAR

- Bewl Activity Day for Yr 5

27TH MAR

- Rewind to Easter for Yr 5 at Baptist Church (PM)

1ST APR

- Non-Uniform Day

2ND APR

- School Council Tombola

3RD APR

- 2:30 Rocksteady Concert (for Rocksteady Pupil Parents)

4TH APR

- Last Day of Term 4
- Easter Service - St Laurence Church 9:00am

22ND APR

- First Day of Term 5

29TH - 30TH APR

- Parent Consultations

A reminder that the gates open at 8:35am and all children should be in school by 8:45am.

Reporting an absence.



Please use the Arbor app to report your child absent from school. Follow these instructions:

Login to your Arbor app

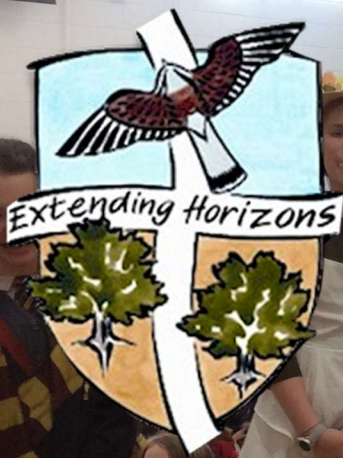
- Click on the large attendance section
- On the right-hand side click on the green button - Log Absence
- Please provide a detailed reason in the box

Please use this method rather than just sending a message.

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A Prayer to end the week

Father God, I praise You for Your great and mighty name. I praise you for Your mercy toward us and the complete forgiveness you offer. You promise that when we confess and repent of our sins, you will remove them from us and will remember them no more.

Father, forgiving others the way you do is hard for us humans, but I pray you would instil Your gracious ways within us and teach us how to forgive the way you do, wholly and completely.

I pray You would increase love and gentleness in us all so that we may be able to forgive freely and repeatedly. Do not let bitterness, anger, or revenge take root in our hearts.

Amen.



Well Done to the children who were awarded a Certificate of Excellence this week :-

Rainbow : Arthur G and William P

Yr 1 – Marco and Florence

Yr 2 – Toby and Koa

Yr 3 – Zinnia and Sidney

Yr 4 – Dennis and Lucy

Yr 5 – Hannah and Alyssia

Yr 6 – Imogen and Kingsley

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