



# Hawkhurst

## Church of England Primary School

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Friday, 10 January 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy New Year and welcome back to Term 3! We hope you all had a lovely Christmas with your children. In the case of more snow or severe weather conditions, if the school is closed we



Jo DiLaurea

will alert you via Arbor and put a message on the school Facebook page. If you have not received a message you can assume that school is open as normal.



### Family Breakfast

To tie in with our Mental Health Week, we will be holding a family breakfast on Thursday 6th February. Younger / pre-school siblings may come in with you for this, unfortunately we don't have the space for older siblings to join us. There will be a sign-up sheet outside the office and we will let you know when this is up.

### Friday Assembly

Friday Assembly is now back to normal and parents are welcome to attend from 2:45pm. If your child is going to be receiving a certificate, we will let you know on Thursday afternoon.

### Arbor



Please can we remind all parents to make sure you have downloaded the Arbor app and to ensure that the settings on your phone are set up to allow you to receive notifications. We are now using Arbor for all our communications instead of Studybugs and do not want any children to miss out on events and information from school. We are aware that a couple of parents have had teething problems and we are working to get these rectified as soon as possible but please let us know if you have any issues so that we can try to resolve them. This app is also new to the School Office so we are all learning together.

### Young Voices



The YV choir have been attending extra rehearsals this week to get ready for our performance at The O2 in just over a week. We are all really excited and can't wait to sing at the performance of our lives! We can't wait to rap along with MC Grammar and sing with Tommy Blaize, the lead singing of the BBC Strictly Come Dancing band! Find out more using the following link -

<https://www.youngvoices.co.uk/yv-2025-special-guest-artists>



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### Census Day

Please could we encourage you to let your child have a school lunch on Thursday 16th January.

This will be free for Rainbow, Red and Orange Classes.

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All Day Breakfast!!

THURSDAY 16TH  
JANUARY 2025

**BREAKFAST ITEMS**  
Chipolata Sausage - Meat Or Veggie  
Omelette  
Mini Hash Browns  
Baked Beans  
Slice Of Homemade Bread

**DESSERT BREAKFAST**  
Chocolate & Banana Oaty Square  
or  
Yoghurt  
Or  
Fresh Fruit

It is a special census day menu and we get additional funding for every child having a school dinner on that day.

### Forest School



Due to the weather at the moment, Forest School will be a little different next week. Year 1 will do an outdoor activity on Thursday but not in the Forest School area, but they may still come in Forest School clothes.

Rainbow have their session on a Wednesday, so again they should come in Forest School clothes and they will have an outdoor activity.

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**CERTIFICATE of EXCELLENCE**

THIS CERTIFICATE IS PRESENTED TO  DATE

IN RECOGNITION OF

CLASS TEACHER  HEAD TEACHER

**WELL DONE**

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

Rainbow : Malakhi and Bodhi

Yr 1 - Tomos and Emily B

Yr 2 - Theo and Harriet

Yr 3 - Naomi and Deseret

Yr 4 - : Samuel and Anderida

Yr 5 - Owen and Hannah

Yr 6 - Aiden and Amelie

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### Attendance



Attendance % School Year to Date		% Change On Last Week
Year R	93.5	+0.3
Year 1	93.4	+0.2
Year 2	93.7	-0.1
Year 3	92.6	-0.6
Year 4	93.6	-
Year 5	96.0	-0.1
Year 6	93.0	-0.7

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 **Rainbow** 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: Marshall and Molly

Y1: Mia Line and Bonnie-Mae

Y2: Holly and Jakob

Y3: Riley and Dolly

Y4: Maverick and Esme

Y5: Alice and Nina

Y6: Kingsley and Tessie



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## Catch up with Blue Class

We have been learning about Mount Everest in Geography and English lessons and have also used a variety of techniques to produce our own mountain ranges.



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### Diary Dates

#### 15<sup>TH</sup> JAN

- Years 5&6 Antarctica & Himalayas Day

#### 16<sup>TH</sup> JAN

- Census Day Menu

#### 21<sup>ST</sup> JAN

- Young Voices Choir Trip to the O2 London

#### 27<sup>TH</sup> - 29<sup>TH</sup> JAN

- Year 6 Residential Trip

#### 6<sup>TH</sup> FEB

- Family Breakfast

#### 13<sup>TH</sup> FEB

- Last Day of Term 3

#### 25<sup>TH</sup> FEB

- First Day of Term 4

### A Prayer to start the year



Father,

I pray for the parents and families represented in our school. Give them wisdom as they support their children's education. Help them create home environments conducive to learning and growth.

Let our schools be places where truth is taught, excellence is pursued, and character is developed.

May Your light shine brightly through students and staff, drawing others to know You.

We commit our school year to You, trusting in Your faithful care and guidance. In Jesus' mighty name.

Amen

## Forest School



Forest School sessions next week will be:

Wednesday : Year R

Thursday : Year 1

Please send children to school dressed in Forest School clothes whatever the weather.



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### SEND Stay & Play 10 week course



Are you a parent/carer of a child aged 0-5 who has additional needs?

Come along, with your child, to our 10 week course starting:

**DATE:** Friday 17 January

**TIME:** 1.30-2.30pm

**VENUE:** Outreach Centre Cranbrook, Carriers Road, TN17 3JZ

We will be linking closely with the 'Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS)', covering a different topic each week and therefore we encourage you to attend each session to fully benefit from this Course.

We will be covering:

- Sensory stimulation with messy play
- Recognising emotions
- Being creative with art and music
- Fine and gross motor skill development
- Literacy and mark making
- Learning about the world around us

Your paragraph text

**BOOKING REQUIRED**

**PLEASE NOTE:** You are able to join part way through. If your child is over 5 years old but not in full time education please contact us to discuss attending.

**Tel:** 03000 418059 **Email:** TWFamilyHub@kent.gov.uk

Visit your local Family Hub today

[www.kent.gov.uk/familyhub](http://www.kent.gov.uk/familyhub)



### Supporting ADHD in the Home

Our Supporting ADHD in the Home course is designed to give parents and carers an understanding of ADHD behaviours and others practical advice on how to support children in the home.

Would you like to:

- Explore the categories of ADHD
- Share ideas and strategies for managing behaviour
- Celebrates the positive of ADHD

This course is for you!

**Where:** Tunbridge Wells Family Hub

(Address: 39a Grove Hill Road, Tunbridge Wells, TN1 1SD)

**Date:** 16.01.2025 – 06.02.2025 (Thursday)

**Time:** 12:30-2:30pm

To book a place please contact: 0300 0418059 / [TWfamilyhub@kent.gov.uk](mailto:TWfamilyhub@kent.gov.uk)

We want you to enjoy learning with us. To help us provide the best possible experience for you, please let us know if you or your child have any disabilities or particular support needs.

FREE, fun & informal courses



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Hope  
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