

# Hawkhurst

## Church of England Primary School



Newsletter No 23.

Friday, 15 March 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been another busy and productive week in school and the term seems to be going very quickly. Please ensure you keep up to date with newsletters and studybugs messages to ensure you don't miss any important information.



Jodie Hurrell

### Careers Day

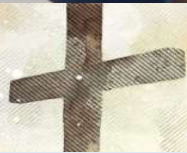


On Friday 24th May Miss Eastwood is holding a Careers Day in school. Do we have any parents, or do you know anyone who would be willing to come in and talk to the children about their job? Please studybugs the office if you can help with this.

### Playground

After Easter we will be having some additional equipment added to the school playground. This has been funded by our Sports Premium money and will help to separate our playground into different areas for the younger and older children and those who wish to have a quieter or more active space.

## Easter Service



Our Easter Service will be held in St Laurence's Church on Friday 22nd March.

Children should go straight to the church for 8:45 where staff will be there to meet them. All families are welcome to join us for the service.

At the end of the service we will be walking back to school and would appreciate offers of help to walk back with classes. Please let the office know, or drop us a studybugs message if you are able to walk with us.

If you have driven your child and wish to drive them back to school, please ensure the class teacher knows you are taking them back by car.

Do not take other pupils back in your car unless their parent has given permission to the school for you to take them.

Breakfast club will be open as normal for the children who normally attend breakfast club on a Friday and those children will walk down to the church with staff, leaving school at 8:20.

Our school brass band will be performing for us at the end of the service.

### Easter Break

The last day of term for the children will be Wednesday 27th March.

All children return to school on Monday 15th April.

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## Year 3 Trip



This week, Yellow class visited Wadhurst Park and Farm. The children went on a country walk to see the beautiful sights of the local area and then visited an actual working farm. They got up close with sheep, pigs, cows and even met a little calf that was only a few hours old! We got a chance to experience a tractor ride and then spent the afternoon learning about different soils and farming techniques to ensure the best growth possible. The children finished their day by planting their own seeds and we will keep track of our plants' progress over the remainder of the year.



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

Rainbow - Luna and Gwen

Yr 1 - Theo and Niko

Yr 2 - Teddy and Rosie

Yr 3 - Albie and Lucy

Yr 4 - Nina and Faye

Yr 5 - Michael and Stephen

Yr 6 - Lucy and Daisy E



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### Nurture : Week 6 - The importance of transition in children's lives

In our final week looking at The Six Principles of Nurture, we have been talking about what 'transition' means. We have thought about what transitions are, what transitions we have already made and how we feel about them. Some have also been reflecting on transitions that they have coming up, especially in Year 6.

**The importance of transition in our lives!**

- Brain breaks when there are two lessons in the afternoon or Wet play and lunch so we can move
- Reading after lunch
- ZOR after break and lunch
- Wiggle Breaks
- Say Hey your way
- Morning work
- Calms us into the day
- get to know everyone
- New school
- All about me
- Clubs
- Meet the teacher
- Ask questions all support staff
- See the new classroom
- New year
- New pictures for the register

The above image is what Year 5 have come up with; Year 5 also 'Say Hey your way' every day, please have a look at our website to see more from other classes and watch the short video clip from Year 5.

<https://www.hawkhurst.kent.sch.uk/news/detail/nurture-week-6-transition/>

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## Science Day

We had a very exciting day in school last Friday with our Celebrating Science Day, where we were joined by Sublime Science! Every class attended a workshop in the hall where they were able to learn, observe and carry out a range of scientific experiments. The day ended with a whole school assembly on the playground watching exploding rockets and water fountains! Thank you to Mrs Simmonds for organising this.



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## Attendance



Attendance % School Year to Date		% Change On Last Week
Year R	92.7	
Year 1	93.9	+0.2
Year 2	91.8	
Year 3	93.9	
Year 4	95.4	-0.2
Year 5	93.5	
Year 6	95.3	+0.1

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 **Red** 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.

YrR - Emily-Rose and Florence

Yr1 - Koa and Antalver

Yr2 - Teddy and Mimi

Yr3 - Maverick and Andrew

Yr4 - Noah and Qismah

Yr5 - Katie and Marley

Yr6 - Archie and Lola

## Forest School



Sessions for Term 4, Week 5 will be:

- Tuesday: Year 5
- Wednesday: Rainbow
- Thursday: Year 1

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



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## A Prayer to end the week



Loving Father,

Thank you for all who are part of our school. Please grant them your encouragement, wisdom and peace.

Strengthen teachers with heavy workloads. May they be firm, yet patient, expecting excellence but forgiving mistakes.

May they support their students, playing to strengths, helping with struggles and motivating them to do their best.

Comfort and restore those living under shadows of unhappiness, abuse, pain or fear. May many find faith discovering their identity in You and knowing Your amazing grace in their lives.

Please pour out Your blessings upon our whole school community.

In Jesus name. Amen.



## Diary Dates

### 21<sup>ST</sup> MARCH

- Year 5 - Rewind to Easter at Baptist Church

### 27<sup>TH</sup> MARCH

- Last Day of Term 4

### 1<sup>ST</sup> AND 2<sup>ND</sup> MAY

- Parent Consultations

### 24<sup>TH</sup> MAY

- Careers Day

### 14<sup>TH</sup> JUNE

- Sports Day

## Reporting an absence.



If your child is absent from school, please let us know as early as possible either by phone call or through studybugs.

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

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## JOB VACANCY

### Hawkhurst Pre school Preschool Practitioner Level 3

Are you passionate about working with children, watching them develop under your care and looking to continue your career or return to work in a nurturing environment?

Hawkhurst preschool has an opportunity for a level 3 or above qualification Preschool Assistant. Previous experience working in Early Years would be desirable.

The position is term time and number of days a week is open for negotiation. Opening hours are 9-3pm daily. Salary depends on experience.

Applicants must be prepared to work as part of a team, have excellent communication skills, have a desire to help children and families and have a sense of fun.

Successful applicants will need to undertake an appropriate level of criminal record disclosure.

Job description available on request.

Please apply with a full CV and covering letter to:

Sarah Waugh [Hawkhurst.preschool@gmail.com](mailto:Hawkhurst.preschool@gmail.com)

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## EASTER HOLIDAY CLUB!



2nd - 5th April

Sports

Games &  
Competitions

Arts &  
Crafts

At Wadhurst Primary School  
& Nursery

Core Hours: 8:30am - 3:15pm



Holiday food and fun!

FREE for families receiving  
benefits-related free school meals.

As part of running this holiday club we are also providing a fully funded HAF holiday club for FSM children.

More information is on the link below. It will be from 8:30am - 3:15pm and lunch will also be included.

[Jumping Juniors Holiday Club with Jumping Juniors · Eequ](https://eequ.org/experience/7423)

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We only have 30 more places available .