

HARRIETSHAM CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

Nurtured We Flourish

16.5.25

Dear Families,

Parent Survey:

Thank you to all of those families who have already completed our parent survey. If you haven't yet done so, please do. I would really appreciate as much feedback as possible. Any feedback will help us to further develop what you love and look to improve what you do not.

Survey Link: <https://forms.gle/2uQVqgTwx9qFAfYT8>.

The survey will close at 5pm Sunday 18th May.

The staff team are excited to be planning a new curriculum, ready to be started next academic year. We also have a new website being prepared ready to launch in September. Information about our new curriculum will be included on the new website - Watch this Space!

Kindest regards,

Jackie Chambers

Headteacher



Ordering School Photos:

The deadline for ordering class photos for delivery to school is 8th June. Orders can still be placed after this date, but there will be a delivery charge. Please get your orders in soon!

Term 5 remaining dates

Monday 19 th May – Friday 23 rd May:	CANCELLED: OPAL Parents Lunchtime Week
Monday 19 th May:	Year 1 Class Worship 2.50pm
	Change of Date – New Date: Tuesday 3rd June. New EYFS Cohort 24/25 New Parent Open Evening 5-6.30pm
Wednesday 21 st May:	School recognition of World Day for Cultural Diversity

Term 6

Tuesday 3rd June 2025 – Tuesday 22nd July 2025

TERM STARTS: Tuesday 3rd June 2025

(Monday 2nd June - INSET Day – School Closed to all children)

Tuesday 3 rd June – Friday 13 th June:	Year 4 Multiplication Check
Tuesday 3 rd June:	Year 5 animal dress up day New Date: New EYFS Cohort 24/25 New Parent Open Evening 5-6.30pm
Thursday 5 th June:	School recognition of World Environment Day
Monday 9 th June – Friday 13 th June:	Year 1 Phonics Screening Week Year 6 Level 2 Bikeability
Friday 13 th June:	School recognition of Father's Day 15 th June Year R Father's Day breakfast in class
Monday 16 th June – Friday 20 th June:	School recognition of World School Sports Week
Monday 16 th June:	Sports Day
Tuesday 17 th June:	Sports Day Reserve
Thursday 19 th June and Friday 20 th June:	New Year R Stay and Play Session 1 (1hr with parent) 15 chn per class
Friday 27 th June:	Year R Class Worship 2.50pm Classroom open afternoon 2:30 – 3:15
Monday 30 th June – Friday 4 th July:	School recognition of Children's Art Week
Wednesday 2 nd July and Thursday 3 rd July:	New Year R Stay and Play Session 2 (afternoon session 1-3pm) 15 chn per class

(Friday 4th July - INSET Day – School Closed to all children)

Monday 7 th July:	Year 4 local river walk
Thursday 10 th July:	Transition Day 1 (EYFS Home Visits) Meet the teacher after school 3:20 – 4pm
Friday 11 th July:	Transition Day 2 (EYFS Home Visits)
Thursday 17 th July and Friday 18 th July:	Slight Change: OPAL Parents Lunchtime Visits
Monday 14 th July:	Year 6 End of Year Show Dress Rehearsal – 1:30pm
Tuesday 15 th July:	Year 6 End of Year Show – 1:30pm
Wednesday 16 th July:	Year 6 End of Year Show – 5pm
Friday 18 th July:	Year R Graduation Assembly to parents New Year R Transition Picnic 3:30 – 4:30pm
Monday 21 st July:	Reports sent to parents
Tuesday 22 nd July:	Year 6 Leavers Service at Church – 1:30pm

TERM ENDS: Tuesday 22nd July 2025

TERM ENDS: Friday 23rd May 2025



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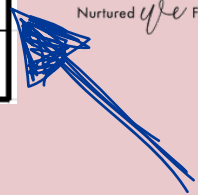
Attendance Matters

Every student. Every day.



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Whole School Attendance for the Week	94.83%
Number of children with Outstanding Attendance (over 96%)	226 of 399



Below our target of 96%! Let's see if we can get closer to 96%

Class Attendance

Well done to all of the classes over our school target of 96%.

Attendance % for each Class (School Target 96%)

Year R		Year 1		Year 2		Year 3		Year 4		Year 5		Year 6	
Ducklings	Cygnets	Wrens	Kingfishers	Sparrows	Jays	Robins	Woodpeckers	Swallows	Nightingales	Kestrels	Eagles	Hawks	Hérons
95%	93%	94%	94%	93%	98%	96%	98%	95%	89%	95%	93%	97%	98%



Class Punctuality

Well done to all of those children who have been on time every day this week.

Percentage of children who have been on time this week

Year R		Year 1		Year 2		Year 3		Year 4		Year 5		Year 6	
Ducklings	Cygnets	Wrens	Kingfishers	Sparrows	Jays	Robins	Woodpeckers	Swallows	Nightingales	Kestrels	Eagles	Hawks	Hérons
96%	100%	91%	97%	93%	93%	97%	90%	87%	94%	97%	89%	100%	100%



EVERY DAY COUNTS
School and future success starts with good attendance.

100% Perfect
Our target for all students

97% Impressive
4 DAYS ABSENCE
96 hours of learning lost

95% Concerning
10 DAYS ABSENCE
90 hours of learning lost

90% Seriously worrying
19 DAYS ABSENCE
114 hours of learning lost

DAILY LATENESS EQUATES TO...

5 MINS LATE = 3 DAYS LOST

10 MINS LATE = 6 DAYS LOST

15 MINS LATE = 10 DAYS LOST

Education is important - DON'T MISS OUT!

CAN YOU HELP?

School Projects - Do you know a company who can sponsor us?

We have a number of great ideas for some fantastic school projects, which will enhance our school, our curriculum and the offer for our children. We have motivated and enthusiastic staff who are willing to put them into action. However, in order to achieve these, we would need to find sponsors.

If you know of any charities or companies who may be willing to sponsor us for any of the projects below, please do let me know (headteacher@harrietsham.kent.sch.uk).



Harrietsham Prayer Group

Monday 19th May at 2.45pm

If you would like to join our prayer group, please meet in the school office at the date and time above.

A plea from the School Office:

We are seeing an increase in numbers of children being collected from school early, often with little to no prior notice. Please can we ask that you do not collect your child early from school unless it is absolutely essential. If you do have pre-agreed medical appointments etc, please let the office know with as much notice as possible, otherwise please leave collection until 3:20pm.

PIANO LESSONS

I currently have a piano lesson school space available at 3.55 on a Thursday, with priority for years 3 and up. Please get in touch with any questions, or to be added to the waiting list for a different time space.



Isabel Hopper
isabelhopper@gmail.com
07522 573035



Community News

The below are flyers that we have been asked to share by various community groups. Please note that we have no connection with these groups and so cannot endorse them, but we wanted to share the information in case anything was of interest.



ST. John's Harrietsham
Community Choir
Every other Monday



Come along to our
fun singalong community choir
for adults, singing popular songs for all!

fortnightly on
Monday evenings
(12th and 26th May)
in the church between
7pm and 9pm
Tea and coffee will be served.

Everyone is welcome

For more information please phone Claire Jane
on 01622 853819.

Sponsored by St John the Baptist Church, Harrietsham



AFFOR:)ABLE REFURBISHED BICYCLES

BUY a BIKE

Pick up an affordable refurbished bike at our next bike sale event at Goldwyn School, Ashford (TN23 3BT). Bikes are fully serviced, clean and available in a variety of sizes.

DONATE a BIKE

Bike too small or sitting unloved gathering dust? Donate it to us and we'll find it a good home. If you need a replacement, we'll offer you a 20% discount on a more suitable refurbished bike.

BIKE SALE EVENT

Goldwyn School, Ashford (TN23 3BT)
Saturday 24th May (10.00-13.00)
FREE bike checks during the event and bookable Learn-to-Ride sessions
info@CycleCommunity.org



www.CycleCommunity.org

May

Half Term
Schools Out Club
2025



Wings of the Morning Field,
1 London Road,
Wrotham,
Sevenoaks, Kent,
TN15 7NS



THE EVENT WITH SOMETHING
FOR EVERYBODY

Sunday and Monday
25TH AND
26TH OF
MAY
10.00AM
TO
5.00PM

Kids
Joe Peek Puppets
Rides
Magic
Kids Games Area
and more

ATTRACTIONS

- Wrestling
- The British Lawn Mower Racing Association
- Amazing Reptiles
- Petting Farm
- The Spotty Boys
- Cookery Demo Tent
- Chain Saw Carving
- Kent Kite Flyers
- Archery
- Flying Ryan Stunts



THE British Country Show Kent

MAIN STAGE toploader



Discounted online tickets or pay on the day
Under 5's go free!
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MUSIC • FOOD &
DRINK •
ATTRACTIONS
• STANDS
• AND MORE

DOG FRIENDLY WITH FUN DOG
SHOW FOR CHARITY

Dog Agility, Pedigree, Fun Dog show, Main Dog Show

Schools Out May Half Term 2025 Club locations:

South Borough Primary School, Tovil, Maidstone 29-30 May 2025
Greenfields Community Primary School, Shepway, Maidstone 27-29 May 2025
Tree Tops Primary Academy, Brishing Lane, Maidstone 27-29 May 2025

Book your place today - £5 per day per child by visiting stonesinthecommunity.org

(Once places are booked, payments are non-refundable)

Or follow our news channel on WhatsApp where links will also be shared.



Follow our WhatsApp Channel

stonesinthecommunity.org



- Archery
- Tudor Living History
- Equestrian Fun Club
- Ferret Rescue
- Jonathan Marshall
- Gemmas Farm
- Rural Crafts
- Birds of Prey
- Local trade stands
- Heavy Horses
- AND MORE!

BARRACUDAS

ACTIVITY DAY CAMPS

AT A SCHOOL NEAR YOU IN 2025!
EXCLUSIVE PARENT DISCOUNT

USE CODE **SCHOOL20** FOR AN
EXTRA £20 OFF YOUR BOOKING!

*Minimum 3 days. *Not to be used in conjunction with other offer codes

- 4½ to 14 year olds!
- 80+ Activities!
- Choice each session!
- Specialist Courses!
- Flexible bookings!



HIGHLY RATED
School Holiday
Camps!!!



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SOUNDSTEPS
MUSIC SCHOOL

Free Children Piano/Keyboard Taster Available Now

- Weekly 1 hour lessons available Monday to Sunday for children aged 5-13
- Children learn to read, write and play music in every lesson. we also provide keyboard at every lesson
- Termly Exams and certificate along with opportunities to sit at internationally recognised exams and perform at live events



Contacts us Now by Email, Phone, WhatsApp or via our Website/QR Code to Book Your "FREE TASTER SESSION"



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www.soundstepsmusic.co.uk



2025 Season Junior Coaching

Monday 29th April onwards, outside @Lenham Cricket Ground, Ham Lane, Lenham.

Lead by ECB qualified coaches. All Coaches are DBS cleared

School Years 5 & Above - Hardball/Incredible practice Monday evening's (except Bank Holiday) 18.30-20.00hrs starting Monday 13th May. Playing in the Weald of Kent Leagues

School Years 3 & 4 - Softball practice Thursday evening's 18.00-19.15hrs starting Thursday 9th May. Playing in Weald of Kent and Kent Cricket tournaments.

Cost for the season which includes annual subscription, coaching & match fees £70, additional siblings £60- *First session free, all are welcome to come and try*



School Years R, 1 & 2 - School year R, 1 & 2:- Softball, fun introduction to cricket. Thursday evening's 18.00-18.45hrs Starting 15th May for 8 weeks. Only available to register online; To register Search ECB All Stars Cricket- Search for a centre- write Lenham- Choose Lenham CC, Book place pay £50 online.

Contact Alex Gray 07760 132803 for any queries.

Play cricket this summer at your local clubs!

Click images below

8 weeks of fun packed sessions for ages 5-11 year olds. No experience required. Kit included with both programmes.
Book your place today! - [Book All-Stars](#) [Book Dynamos](#)



Ashford Town CC- Sundays 10-11am from 11th May
Mershams Sports Club- Fridays 6-7pm from 9th May



Ashford Town CC- Sundays 10-11am from 11th May
Mershams Sports Club- Fridays 6-7.15pm from 9th May (Girls only and Mixed Sessions)
Sibton Park CC- Fridays 6-7.30pm from 2nd May (Girls only)