



# Ash, Cartwright & Kelsey Church of England (Aided) Primary School

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Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2024

Newsletter Term 5 Week 3

Dear Parents/Carers

As usual our school has been busy and creative and we have been able to spend lots of time learning outside. Year 3 had an afternoon learning in our nature area on Thursday – they planted some wild flowers, did some digging and made dens.

There was great excitement in Magpies class as they re-enacted the Great Fire of London, burning the houses they had made, in our nature area. The children saw how quickly the fire spread and how fast dry materials burn. I even remembered how to play 'London's Burning' on the recorder so we had a sing-song as well.

Our new playground markings have been fitted and look great – a huge thanks to the Jack Foat charity for paying for these – the children can't wait to use them. The awning over Fledglings class will be finished on Tuesday – a big thanks to Nick Hassall (one of our governors) and Mr Kemp for installing this.

Have a lovely Bank Holiday weekend and I look forward to seeing you at the parent/teacher meetings next week.

Fiona Crascall  
Headteacher



## Birthdays to celebrate

### Fledglings

Willow L

### Owls

Mia

### Hawks

Daniel and Jack

### Falcons

Lottie

Happy birthday to Mrs Bailey!



## School starters



If you have, or know somebody who has a child who will start school next year, please ring the school office to arrange an individual tour with me.

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### Nursery update

We are delighted to announce that due to increased pupil numbers, governors have agreed that we will be opening Fledglings class again as a separate nursery for 3- and 4-year olds in September 2024. We have decided that nursery class (Fledglings) will be taught by Mrs Ervine and reception (Wrens) will be taught by Mr Hart. Both will stay in their current classrooms. We will update you with staffing regarding the rest of the school in due course. In the meantime, if you have any questions, please come and see me. This is an exciting time for the school and we will keep you updated with the physical expansion works that we will need to undertake, using the Section 106 funding from the Bovis/Millfield developments. Thank you for your support.

### Whatsapp

Recently there have been several incidents related to the misuse of WhatsApp groups. We would like to remind parents and children that the minimum age for using WhatsApp is 16 or over.

WhatsApp is a chat application which can be used on a mobile phone or tablet, it lets you send messages, images and videos to friends. You can have one to one and group conversations. We urge all parents to keep an eye on their child's mobile phone or online activities involving social media. The children are constantly reminded that they must tell a parent / adult if they receive anything inappropriate from any application.

As a school we strongly advise you to remove the chat groups involving other children as this can cause issues in and outside of school. Thank you for your support.

### PTFA

About the PTFA

The PTFA is an integral part of the school community made up of parents, teachers and friends of the school. All parents & carers are automatically members. We are charity reg. number 1042205. Read more on the school website <https://www.ashckschool.org/about-us/ptfa>  
*All money raised goes back into the school to benefit the children.*



<b>Fledglings</b>	Wilfred for amazing progress in reading and phonics.
<b>Year 1 Robins</b>	Robins class for their wonderful writing.
<b>Year 2 Magpies</b>	Finley for independently completing and assessing his newspaper report with determination, resilience and positivity. Great work!
<b>Year 3 Owls</b>	Rosie for exceptional dedication to reading which can be seen in the vocabulary she chooses in English work and throughout her learning in general.
<b>Year 4 Hawks</b>	Jessica for her increased resilience, confidence and positive attitude. Well done Jessica! In group work, you are taking a much more active and sometimes, leadership role, using kindness to productively support your peers. Excellent!

<b>Year 5 Eagles</b>	Lexi for being very inclusive of others and always helping and supporting her peers.
<b>Year 6 Falcons</b>	Lina for her persistency in maths to overcome challenging learning.

## Attendance Award

<b>Week Ending</b> <b>03/05/2024</b>	Owls Class	97.20
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## Dates for your diary

<b>Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May</b>	Bank Holiday – no children in school
<b>Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> May</b>	Parent/teacher meetings – 3.30-5.30pm – forms sent
<b>Friday 10<sup>th</sup> May</b>	Year 4 trip to the Hornby Centre, Thanet
<b>Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May</b>	Year 6 SATs week
<b>Friday 17<sup>th</sup> May</b>	Year 5 trip to Hever Castle
<b>Monday 20<sup>th</sup> May</b>	Science week in school – theme is 'Time'. Year 3 trip to Wildwood
<b>Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May</b>	End of term 5 and PTFA Tag Day
<b>Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June</b>	Children back in school for term 6
<b>Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Whole school photos
<b>Monday 1<sup>st</sup> July</b>	Sports Week in school.
<b>Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Secondary transition day and meet the teacher morning
<b>Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Sports Day in school (am)
<b>Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Year 6 production to parents at 5pm in the school hall
<b>Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Year 6 residential at Caroty Wood
<b>Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Year 6 Leavers Service at the Church at 1.45pm – families of year 6 children very welcome. End of term 6 for the children
<b>Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September</b>	Children back in school for term 1

