



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

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Friday 24th January 2025

Newsletter Term 3 Week 3

Dear Parents/Carers

We had a dramatic start to the week as there were signs that a spaceship had landed in the nature area – the area was littered with smoke, scorched earth and debris. Luckily Eagles are learning all about space and immediately launched an investigation. They have used this for inspiration to write a Sci Fi story based around an alien that visits the school. They have created their own alien characters, designed the alien's home planet and are going to write their stories next week. I can't wait to see their finished pieces of writing.

Year 3 enjoyed their PE lesson with Mr Hayes on Wednesday. To build trust and teamwork, they had to be blindfolded and trust their partner to guide them through an obstacle course. Hawks made straw flutes. They cut their straws to different lengths, created their flute, blew into each straw and listened to how the different lengths affected the pitch of a sound.

Some of Magpies attended Vista Twisters in Dover on Thursday. They tried different cheerleading moves such as tumbling, stunts and jumps. They had a great time and Mr Hayes said it was lovely to see them overcome fears and challenges. It is so important that children attend these events - we are going to be fundraising to buy a second minibus – this is needed now our numbers are increasing. Details to follow.

Have a lovely weekend

Fiona Crascall
Headteacher



Birthdays to celebrate

Owls

Jimmy

Falcons

Harvey

Happy birthday to Miss Dunn!



For children born between 1 September 2020 and 31 August 2021, they will be school starters in September 2025. The online portal is now open. I am offering individual tours so please give the school a ring if you would like to book one.



PTFA Update

We are busy planning more events for the children and families this year. Keep an eye on this newsletter and the school Facebook page for announcements of future dates.

Thank you for the kind donations made during Re-gifting week. Every donation really makes a difference! We will still be grateful for donations ongoing so please think of us throughout the school year. Donations can be left at the school office or outside the Main Entrance on the table at drop off or pick up. Please mark for PTFA. Thank you.

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.



Fledglings	Peaches for her wonderful creativity at Nursery. Well done!
Year R Wrens	Rio for always making wonderful choices and doing great listening! Well done!
Year 1 Robins	Lucy for greater focus during carpet time and for her ideas and enthusiasm in her learning!
Year 2 Magpies	Dottie for building confidence in reading to adults and show incredible progress as she moves on to Accelerated Reader!
Year 3 Owls	Willow for always giving 100% in lessons and showing kindness to everyone.
Year 4 Hawks	Florence for her tremendous effort to produce outstanding homework! Well done Florence! Your Roman research was thorough and well presented and your aqueduct model was fantastic!
Year 5 Eagles	Daniel for his excellent attitude to learning and his enthusiasm in completing his homework. Well done!
Year 6 Falcons	Lexi for her continued hard work and the excellent support in Maths she provided for her peers.

Attendance Award

Week Ending 24/01/2025	Magpies Class	98.57%
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Dates for your diary

Monday 3rd February	Children's Mental Health Week – theme is Movement for our Mental Health
Friday 7th February	Dress to Express Day to celebrate Mental Health Week. Year 4 at Roman Museum in Canterbury.
Monday 10th February	Dogs Trust workshops in school
Tuesday 11th February	Safer Internet Day
Friday 14th February	End of term 3
Monday 24th February	Children back in school for term 4
Tuesday 25th and Wednesday 26th February 2025	Parent teacher meetings 3.30-5.30 – letters have been sent out. Shared learning sessions for Fledglings nursery after school – come and see their fantastic learning environment and have a chat with Mrs Ervine
Monday 3rd March	Book Week in school (World Book Day on Thursday 6 th March)
Monday 10th March	Science week – theme is Change and Adapt
Friday 4th April	Easter Service at the Church at 1.45pm (parents of year 6 very welcome). End of term 4
Tuesday 22nd April	Children back in school for term 5 – Pirate workshop for Robins – more details to follow