



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

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Friday 30th January 2026

Newsletter Term 3 Week 4

Dear Parents/Carers

As usual our school has been very busy with a variety of creative learning. A big thanks to everyone who supported the film night after school on Tuesday. The children looked cosy in their PJ's and enjoyed the snacks – many thanks to the PTFA and staff for making this happen. The children really enjoyed it.

There was a UFO crash landing in school this week as part of Eagles space topic. Slime and alien footprints were seen in the school corridors leading to the crash site! Eagles are going to create planets and paint them to match where they think the UFO came from!

In their French lessons, Owls have been learning about farm animals and their different noises in France. They are writing a French farm animal book for toddlers – I have seen some of their designs and they are very creative! As part of their Superhero topic, Magpies have been thinking of questions to ask 'real life' superhero staff in school. I look forward to seeing what they come up with.

Have a lovely weekend.

Fiona Crascall
Headteacher



Birthdays to celebrate

Owls

Enzo

Eagles

James



We still have a few spaces left in our school nursery. If you would like to arrange an individual tour, please give the school office a call on 01304 812539.

PTFA Update – 30th January

Free 4 All Movie Night – Success

Our 2nd movie night was a hit with the children, we love being able to give back to all who support us! A huge thank you to those who kindly donated, even though it was a free event—your generosity helps us do more.

Valentine's Day Tuck – Pre-Sale

After school on **Friday 13th February**, we'll be selling our much-loved Valentine's Day biscuits. They flew off the shelves last year, so this time we're trialling a cheeky pre-order option to avoid any heartbreak.

Pre-orders can be completed and paid for via the Classlist app or by using this link:

https://app.classlist.com/parent/#/events/view/1423620688?s=1222460640&utm_source=SCHOOL&utm_medium=SHARED_LINK

The pre-order window will close on **Thursday 12th February or until sold out (there's 100 for pre-order and lots gone already)!**

Pre-ordered biscuits will be ready for collection from a separate table on the day. If you miss the pre-order window, don't panic — there will be a limited number of biscuits available to buy after school.

Our biscuits are **dairy-free and nut-free**, but please be aware they are made by home bakers rather than in a commercial kitchen.

Event Advertising and PTFA Information

We know FOMO (fear of missing out) is real — for us as adults and for our children too! We love putting on events for the school community and want to make sure everyone knows where to find our updates.

We share information through:

- This school newsletter
- Classlist
- Facebook
- Class WhatsApp groups (where we have access)

Please follow us on Facebook and sign up to Classlist to make sure you have the most up-to-date information at your fingertips. Both platforms offer privacy settings so your personal details can remain private.

Get Involved

Still want to join us? Got great ideas? Or just want to lend a hand now and then? Whether it's once a year or more regularly, we'd love to hear from you.

Contact us via Facebook, Classlist, or email: candk.ptfa@gmail.com

We're always on the lookout for companies that offer **match funding** — it's a fantastic way to boost support for our school. If your employer might offer this, please get in touch.

New this academic year: We've introduced a **suggestion box** in the school reception area — open to ideas from children and adults alike. Let us know how we can work together to support our school!

Upcoming Events

- **13th February** - Valentine's Day Tuck Shop
- **6th March** - Paint and Sip, Ash Village Hall
- **13th March** - Mothers and Others in school gift shopping for the children
- **24th March** - Easter Disco - **KS1: 3:15–4:45pm KS2: 5:00–6:30pm**

For all the latest updates and school events, remember to join us on our Facebook and Classlist pages.



Fledglings	Ari for the sensible way he has adjusted to attending 4 days of nursery and for making super choices in child-initiated time
Year R Wrens	Amara for making wonderful choices and being a kind friend.
Year 1 Robins	Harper for sharing her ideas confidently and for super effort in all of her learning!
Year 2 Magpies	Vinnie for growing in independence and confidence in his reading and writing. Keep it up!
Year 3 Owls	Edie for using beautiful descriptive vocabulary in her Stone Age Boy writing. Well done!
Year 4 Hawks	Penny for her positive attitude to learning and growth mindset. Well done Penny! You are settling well and really focussing on your work! Excellent!
Year 5 Eagles	Sharon for showing a great improvement to her attitude towards learning. Keep it up!
Year 6 Falcons	Oliver for working hard on completing lots of his tasks independently.

Attendance Award

Week Ending 30/01/2026	Robins Class	99.20%
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Dates for your diary

Thursday 5th February	Hawks to the Beanie museum in Canterbury
Friday 6th February	Year 6 to Harry Potter World
Friday 9th February	Children's Mental Health Week – Theme is 'This is my place' - focus on belonging. NELFT session in school hall at the end of Monday – drop and learn about calm kits
Wednesday 11th February	Safer Internet Day
Friday 13th February	End of term 3 and PTFA Valentine's Tuck
Friday 23rd February	Children back in school for term 4
Monday 2nd March	Book week in school and World Book Day on Thursday 5 th March
Monday 9th March	British Science Week in school – the theme is 'Curiosity – what's your question?'
Thursday 2nd April	End of term 4 – Church service at 1.45pm
Monday 20th April	Children back in school for term 5

