



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

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Friday 26<sup>th</sup> November 2021

Newsletter Term 2 Week 4

Dear Parents/Carers

We had a very energetic start to the week with our Fantastic Fred shows on Monday. The children learnt that Mental Health Matters and how they can look after their minds by thinking about food, rest, exercise and devices. The children really engaged with the performance and could all tell me something that they had learnt.

Robins enjoyed exploring the school on Wednesday as part of their 2D shape hunt – they found lots of triangles, rectangles, squares and circles – great hunting Robins! Fledglings wrapped up warm on Wednesday as they participated in their seasonal walk. They noticed the seasonal changes – especially the change in temperature and the bare trees as autumn comes to an end.

Mr Hayes took a selection of year 3 and year 6 pupils to Vista Twister's cheerleading in Dover on Thursday to learn about tumbling, stunts and jumps. A little bit of dance was thrown in! The children all had a great time and built confidence and team working skills.

Best wishes and have a lovely weekend

Fiona Crascall  
Headteacher



## Birthdays to celebrate

### Fledglings:

Claudia  
Charlie C

### Robins:

Teddy  
Mrs Marlow

Happy birthday!



## School starters

Our tours have started! Year R applications are for children born between 1 September 2017 and 31 August 2018. The portal is now open. 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 look around with me.

## Photos of the week:



## More Important News

### WOW day Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> January

Before we get too caught up in Christmas activities, we have been busy planning our WOW day for January. January can be a little flat so we want the children to start the year with great enthusiasm! This is a great day for the children to be creative and inspired as their new topics are launched. Planned activities and topics are:

Fledglings	<p><b>Festivals and Celebrations</b> Come dressed up in your favourite party clothes or your favourite dressing up outfit</p> <p>Wow activities – Getting ready for a party!</p>
Robins (year 1)	<p><b>Could you live in a castle?</b> Come dressed up to school – princesses, princes, knights, ladies in waiting, jesters etc</p> <p>Wow activities - Build a castle with the construction equipment. Creating a coat of arms. Weaving a shield. Painting a big castle that will become their role play area</p>
Magpies (year 2)	<p><b>What makes a good pirate?</b> Children can come dressed as a pirate</p> <p>Wow activities – Going on a pirate treasure hunt and making some treasure maps</p>
Owls (year 3)	<p><b>Would you find a komodo dragon in Ash?</b> Come dressed up as your favourite animal</p> <p>Wow activities – Designing clay animals and making animal biscuits</p>
Hawks (year 4)	<p><b>What was it like to be evacuated in World War 2?</b> Come dressed as an evacuee</p> <p>Wow activities – A special excavation and cooking some World War 2 recipes</p>
Eagles (year 5)	<p><b>Is there anything out there?</b> Children can come dressed as an astronaut, rocket or an alien</p> <p>Wow activities – A rocket launch day with the children designing and making rockets</p>
Falcons (year 6)	<p><b>What makes fantasy magical?</b> Children can dress up as any fantasy character from a story e.g. Harry Potter, witches, wizards, mythical/mystical/unusual creatures etc.</p> <p>Wow activities - throughout the day, they will be combining some magical outdoor learning with hands on activities in the classroom.</p>

## Charity Fundraising

Thank you for all your generosity on our sparkly Children in Need Day. We raised £107.06. Our purple poppy appeal raised £87 and our poppy appeal raised £102.37.



<b>EYFS</b>	Archer for amazing progress in reading and phonics.
<b>Year 1 Robins</b>	Ecrin for some excellent observational skills in Maths and Science this week. Well done Ecrin!
<b>Year 2 Magpies</b>	Luca for working extremely hard in every subject this week. Well done!
<b>Year 3 Owls</b>	Toby for working really hard in Maths. Well done!
<b>Year 4 Hawks</b>	Logan for always taking part in class discussion and for working really hard in literacy!
<b>Year 5 Eagles</b>	Bethany for producing some great homework and working hard on her reading.
<b>Year 6 Falcons</b>	Naia for a fantastic effort in using various sentence types and ambitious vocabulary in your writing. Well done, keep up the hard work!

## **Attendance Award**

<b>Week Ending 26/11/2021</b>	Owls	100%
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## PTFA update

### Notes from your PTFA

#### **Christmas Cracker Week 6th -10th December**

Crafts, Christmas Fair, Santa's Grotto and Raffle!

We are fortunate to again be match funded by Barclays Bank (Dover) which means money raised will be matched pound for pound - what a fantastic opportunity to raise funds for our school.

A letter has been sent out with full details of the Christmas Fair, including the list of stalls and prices, which start at 25p. Children can also visit Santa's Grotto. Please return the slip and payment for each child by Monday 6th December.

Raffle tickets have also been sent home with each child - we would like to ask for your help selling these to people you know and to buy some yourselves - 50p a ticket. Please return stubs and payment to Mrs Bailey in the school office.

1st Prize: Sleigh of Merriment\*

2nd Prize: Christmas Dinner Hamper

3rd Prize: Family Cinema & Takeaway bundle

Plus other prizes donated from local businesses & the school community.

\* includes alcohol

Mystery Jars

This is a very popular stall - children buy a wrapped jar and win whatever is in that jar, it can be stationery, sweets, craft items, small toys, silly things, useful things....anything fun and positive really! Children at the last fair were delighted with their treasures and loved the surprise.

We would like to ask each family to make up a jam type jar (wrapped in any gift wrap). The jars can be any size and if you are able to make up more than one please do (we do have wrapping elves if you can't wrap - we will be grateful for just the filled jar! - but if you are able to wrap that would be ideal). Thank you so much. Please on the table outside school or drop them into the school office.

Thank you for your support of Tombola Gift Drop week - we are so excited to use them for the Christmas Cracker week and put together some great prizes for the children. Every item makes a difference! You can continue to drop off donations in the lead up to the Christmas Fair- please leave with the office marked PTFA.

### **Crazy Hair Day! Friday 3rd December**

Children can come to school with fun hairstyles for a donation of £1 or a bottle donation for the Christmas raffle.

The PTFA is an integral part of the school community made up of teachers, parents and friends of the school. All parents & carers are automatically members. We are charity reg. number 1042205. All funds raised go straight back into the school to benefit the children.

### **Canterbury Magazine**

Here's the Winter edition of the Canterbury Magazine Raring To Go:

<https://magazines.raring2go.co.uk/canterbury/winter/>

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## Dates for your diary

<b>Week Monday 29<sup>th</sup> November</b>	Year 5 Bikeability – in school
<b>Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> December</b>	Crazy Hair Day – bring in a bottle of something or £1 donation for PTFA and the Christmas Fair
<b>Monday 6<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Christmas Cracker week in school - PTFA
<b>Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> December</b>	School Christmas dinner and Christmas jumper day
<b>Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Christmas Fair for the children in school - am
<b>Monday December 13<sup>th</sup></b>	Matthew Titterton to video the nativity for parental DVD's
<b>Tuesday December 14<sup>th</sup></b>	Nativity play in school for children – Prickly Hay
<b>Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Christmas Service at the Church pm (for children)
<b>Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December</b>	End of term 2 – break up at normal time – after school club until 4.30pm.
<b>Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> January</b>	Staff INSET day – no children in school
<b>Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> January</b>	WOW day (more details to follow)and children back in school for term 3

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