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Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September 2024

Dear Parents/Guardians,

This has been a busy, exciting week in school. Year 6 had the pleasure of being the first-year group to attend Covet Woods in our minibuses this year, where they both spent a couple of hours dodging the rain on Thursday. I know the children really enjoyed the activities Mrs Pearman set up - it is Year 1's turn next week as they continue to learn about the autumn season. Year 4 also visited the Creed Outdoor Learning Centre and were able to enjoy completing three different activities: learning archery, completing different bush-craft skills and navigating a climbing wall.

#### Girls' Rugby

We were also lucky enough to have a coach from the Canterbury Rugby Club come into school this week. They came in and completed 40 minute sessions with girls from Year 3, 4 and 5 throughout Thursday afternoon. I know the girls who were involved had a great time and I would like to thank Alice, and the Canterbury Rugby team, for taking the time to come and volunteer to work with our children.

They also have a Rugby morning coming up if your daughter would like to continue to get involved in Rugby. Details

below.

"Join us for a fun-filled morning with the RFU Love Rugby campaign! Let's get more girls playing rugby before the World Cup 2025. \*\*

Date: Sunday 29th September

① Time: 9:00 - 10:30 AM

Free BBQ for all the family!

Don't miss out! Bring your friends and family for a fantastic day of rugby and delicious food. See you there! 🕒 🚱

#LoveRugby #GirlsRugby #RugbyWorldCup2025 #FamilyFun #EnglandRugby













#### PTA

Our annual fireworks will be on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> November. This is always a well run and well attended event, which relies on the help of volunteers across the local community. If you are able to help in any way at all over that weekend, please can you complete the google form below:

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The PTFA AGM will be held on Thursday 10th October, in the school hall (join for drinks from 6pm onwards). All parents are invited to hear how the PTFA are seeking to enrich our children's education, by raising funds for school projects and arranging events to foster community spirit. During the AGM, there will be a vote on the committee members. Whilst the current chair, Charlie Turrell, and secretary Louise Malkin, are happy to continue in their roles, our treasurer, Layla Dayani, is looking to step down by the end of this academic year. We are looking for a new treasurer to act as vice treasurer for the year, working alongside Layla and then taking over when she steps down. We are also keen to expand the core team by adding in a vice-chair. If you are interested joining the committee, then please get in touch to ask more at <a href="mailto:bridgeschoolpta@gmail.com">bridgeschoolpta@gmail.com</a>

#### Anaphylaxis Awareness Week – Parent Talk

Next week is Anaphylaxis Awareness Week. Clare, from the Sadie Bristow Foundation, has kindly volunteered to come and lead a **parent talk** at **2.30pm on Tuesday 1**st **October**.

We will also have our 'allergy-friendly' cake sale after school, on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> October. We still have some of the allergy-free baking kits through 'The Sadie Bristow Foundation' if you are stuck for ideas.



#### Margate Bookie Children's Festival 2024



As some of you will know we are lucky enough to work with a local poet called Tom Delahunt. He is going to be working with the **Bookie 2024**Children's Festival! He has a free event on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> October 2024, at 3:30 PM at Turner Contemporary, Margate, for a magical storytelling session of *The Wandering Lamb*, perfect for children aged 4 to 8.

The session will be interactive, offering children the chance to engage

with the story and let their imaginations roam.

#### **Event Details:**

- **Title**: Wandering Lamb with Tom Delahunt (Ages 4-10)
- Date & Time: Saturday, October 5th, 2024, 3:30 PM 4:30 PM (Admission from 3:15 PM)
- Location: Turner Contemporary, Margate, CT9 1HG
- Admission: FREE to attend! Please register in advance to secure your spot and help us manage numbers.

Each ticket covers entry for up to **four people**, including adults. So, whether you're attending with two children or bringing a larger group, we'll make sure everyone has the best experience possible. Just be sure to register in advance and remember that all children must be accompanied by an adult.

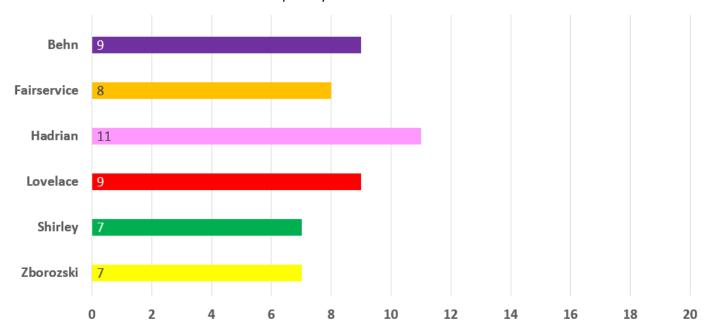
Come for the day and enjoy the coastal fun.

#### Canterbury Festival

Attached to this newsletter is some information from Canterbury Festival about six different events they are running in October. I am sure many of you have been before to the event but if not, is certainly one not to be missed!

#### **House Points Competition**

Children across the school have been working hard and have started to collect house points. The totals below were shared with the children at celebration worship today.



The six children coming to have Hot Chocolate after their raffle tickets were chosen. It was lovely to spend time with Josh, Elliot, Josie and Jonas from Year 1 and Archie and Harper from Year 2 this afternoon.

Best wishes

Michael Taylor

### Celebration

#### Star Pupils

Each Friday, we celebrate children who have impressed the adults in school either through their learning or demonstrating one of our Christian values.

- ☆ Emersyn S (Willow) for expertly leading her friends in a retelling of Where the Wild Things are. Mrs Cork & Miss M Smith
- ★ Teddy B (Rowan) for always having an excellent to his learning. Miss Andrews
- ☆ Elias W (Pine) for always working hard and improving your handwriting. Well done for being a great role model in our class. Mrs Perfect & Mrs Tomsett
- Patrick M (Oak) for his effort and enthusiasm with his learning this week. Well done. Miss J Smith
- ☆ Livia (Chestnut) for her fantastic character description of George from George's Marvelous Medicine! Mrs Amelia
- ☆ Bailey D (Beech) for being a hardworking, kind and caring member of the class. Mrs Dennett

- Ava W (Hazel) for great participation and thoughtful answers during his guided reading. Mrs Harvey-Maw
- ☆ Farren Y (Birch) for showing fantastic confidence and participation during our visit to Creed. Mr Perfect
- ☆ Oliver S (Holly) being a great listener who strives to do his best! A good example to all! Miss Allison
- Njasha M (Maple) for displaying all of our school values in both her work and personality! Keep being you! Mr Ablett
- Leeroy A (Sycamore) for working incredibly hard on his handwriting and perseverance. *Mr Wren*
- Nell D (Poplar) for doing a superb job of keeping on top of her daily reading and maths practice well done!. Mrs Saint and Mrs Allen

## Upcoming Dates

Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Allergen Awareness Week	Year 5 Parent Consultations	
Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> Oct	Handball Competition (Year 6)	Year 4 Parent Consultations	
Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> Oct	Year R Parent Consultations		Poplar Evening Parent Consultations
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> Oct	Year 6 Parent Consultations	Willow Class Forest School Trip	6pm: Welcome Event and AGM
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Arts Award Trip to UCA	Rowan Class Forest School Trip	Bake Sale After School

Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Year 3 Parent Consultations		
Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Year 2 Parent Consultations	Tag Rugby Competition Year 4 and Year 6	
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> Oct			Late Night Parent Consultations
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Year 1 Parent Consultations		
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> Oct			

Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> Oct		
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> Oct		
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> Oct		
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Harvest Service at St Peters Church	
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> Oct		

## Dates for your Diary (2024-25)

Term 1 (Autumn)	
Year 6 Residential	Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> -September to Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> September
Year R Welcome Service	Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> September, 2.30pm
Anaphylaxis Awareness Week (charity fundraiser)	Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> September
PTFA AGM	Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> October, 6pm
Harvest Services	Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> October (morning)
Year 5 Residential	Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> October to Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October
Staff Training Day	Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> October
Staff Training Day	Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> October
Term 2 (Autumn)	
Bridge Fireworks	Saturday 9 <sup>th</sup> November
Advent Services	Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> November (morning)

Salvation Army Carol Concert	Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> November, 7.30pm	
Year 2 Nativity Performances	Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> December (afternoon)	
	Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> December (morning)	
Christmas Jumper Day (charity fundraiser)	Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	
Senior Citizen's Tea Party	Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> December, 1.30pm	
Year R Nativity Performances	Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> December (afternoon)	
	Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> December (morning)	
Christmas Dinner	Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	
Term 3 (Spring)		
Ski Trip to Italy	Sunday 19 <sup>th</sup> January to Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> January	
Young Voices	Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> January	
Term 4 (Spring)		
PTFA Quiz Night	TBC	
World Book Day	Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> March	
World Down Syndrome Day (charity fundraiser)	Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> March	
French Exchange (hosting)	Monday 31 <sup>st</sup> March to Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> April	
Term 5 (Summer)		
Easter Services	Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> April (morning)	
Christian Aid Week (charity fundraiser)	Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> May	
Year 6 SATS	Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> May to Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> May	
French Exchange (to Montpellier)	Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> May to Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May	
Dare to be Different	Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May	
Term 6 (Summer)		
Staff Training Day	Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June	
Wear Yellow for Cystic Fibrosis (charity fundraiser)	Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> June	
Sports Afternoon (Year R to 2)	Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June	
Sports Afternoon (Year 3 to 6)	Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> June	
Moving Up Day	Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	
Bridge Village Fete	Saturday 5 <sup>th</sup> /12 <sup>th</sup> July (TBC)	
Year 6 Production	Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> July, 1.30pm and 6.30pm	
Year 6 Production	Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> July, 1.30pm and 6.30pm	
End-of-Year Church Services	Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> July (morning)	
Year 6 Leaver's Assembly	Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July, 2pm	