



School News

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Friday, 14th November - PTFA Bonfire and Fireworks Night

Advanced tickets are on sale for our bonfire and fireworks night costing £7 adult, £3 children, Under 5's free. Tickets are available to buy from the office up to the morning of 14th November. Tickets on the gate cost £8 adults and £4 children. Please note we have a maximum capacity and so tickets may not be available on the gate if this number is reached.



Cake donations

The PTFA would welcome donations of cakes for the refreshment stall. Cakes can be brought to the school office at any time on Friday, 14th November. (Please label your container so we can make sure this is returned to you).

We would like to thank 'TJ Renewables' and 'Bayliss Executive Travel' for sponsoring our Fireworks this year. We look forward to seeing you all on Friday evening!

Friday, 14th November - Girls Football Festival at Dover Christchurch Academy

Week Commencing 17th November - Reception 2026 School Tours

During week commencing 17th November we will be holding our school tours for parents and children who are due to start school in September 2026. If you, or anyone you know, would like to book a tour please contact the school office.

Monday, 17th November - Parents' Evenings

Our parents evenings give you an opportunity to meet your class teacher and discuss their progress. 10 minute appointments can be booked by calling the school on 01304 611360 or emailing office@eastry.kent.sch.uk. We will also be joined by the Vape and Alcohol Team during the evening.

Tuesday, 18th November - Starfish Malawi

On Tuesday, 18th November we will be joined by Tristan from Starfish Malawi. Tristan will spend time with each class ahead of his upcoming visit to our link school in Malawi, Kaphatenga Primary School. As well as learning more about our link school, children will also be able to tell Tristan what they would like him to find out when he visits them.

Thursday, 20th November - Parents' Evenings

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SCHOOL DIARY DATES - CONTINUED

Friday, 21st November - Year 3 Class Worship

Parents and carers of children in Year 3 are invited to join us for their class worship at 9.00am in the school hall

Friday, 21st November - Football Hall Cup Home against Sholden Primary Kick off at 3.30pm

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FIREWORK NIGHT RAFFLE



At the firework night on Friday 14th November we will be drawing one lucky ticket. The winner will walk away with a brand new 2025 Charlotte Tilbury Advent Calendar.



Tickets are £1.00 per ticket and can be purchased on the night or after school on the playground on Tuesday 11th and Thursday 13th November.

Job Advert

CLEANER REQUIRED

The school is looking for a new cleaner to join our friendly premises team

- Responsibility for cleaning and maintaining areas of the school
- Understanding of Health and Safety
- Experience would advantageous but training will be given

2 hours per day (10 hours per week) plus 30 hours during holiday throughout the year.

Working hours can be before or after the school day.

Pay £6070.80 per annum

For a full job description and application form please ask at the school office.

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Celebration Worship - Good Friday

We hold our celebration worship every Friday morning to recognise the achievements the children have made over the past week. If your child has received an award, medal or any kind of achievement outside of school, and would like this presented during worship, please bring it to the school office or Classdojo Mrs Moss. We also like to celebrate if your child has helped their community and shown our school values, details and any photos, if applicable, can also be sent by Classdojo to Mrs Moss.

HEALTH & SAFETY ADVICE/ONLINE SAFETY SECTION

This week in school we have been focusing on anti-bullying. We have been thinking about how we talk and act towards others might make them feel, how we can show kindness to each other and what to do if we feel upset about something that has happened.

Bullying can often happen or continue online via social media and we have included the following information to help you identify if this may be happening and what actions to take to prevent or deal with an online bullying incident.

At National Online Safety, we believe in empowering parents, carers and trusted adults with the information to hold an informed conversation about online safety with their children, should they feel it is needed. This guide focuses on one of many issues which we believe trusted adults should be aware of. Please visit www.nationalonlinesafety.com for further guides, hints and tips for adults.

What Parents & Carers Need to Know about HOW TO COMBAT ONLINE BULLYING

Defined as "ongoing hurtful behaviour towards someone online", cyber-bullying makes its victims feel upset, uncomfortable and unsafe. In the digital world, it has numerous forms – such as hurtful comments on a person's posts or profile; deliberately leaving them out of group chats; sharing embarrassing images or videos of someone; or spreading gossip about them. Cyber-bullying can severely impact a young person's mental health... so, in support of Anti-Bullying Week, we've provided a list of tips to help trusted adults know what to look for and how to respond to it.



1. GET CONNECTED
Playing online games together with your child or connecting with them on social media (providing they're old enough) is not only fun but also an excellent way of establishing some common ground to discuss things you've both seen or done online – as well as keeping an eye on who your child is communicating with in the digital world.

2. KEEP TALKING
Regular chats with young people about their online lives are good practice in general, but they can also be an excellent refresher to help prevent cyber-bullying situations. Topics you might want to revisit include why it's important to only connect online with people we know and trust, and why passwords should always remain secret (even from our best friends).

3. STAY VIGILANT
Observe your child while they're using technology and just after they've used it. Are they acting normally, or out of character? Possible signs of a problem may include seeming quiet or withdrawn, jumpy or anxious, angry or repeatedly checking their phone. When you feel it's the right time, you may want to check in with them to see if everything is OK.

4. MAKE YOURSELF AVAILABLE
If an online bullying incident does occur, it may take a while before your child is ready to open up about what happened. Just gently remind them that they can always come to you with any problems – and that they won't be in trouble. You might also suggest a trusted family member they could turn to, in case they feel too embarrassed to tell you directly.

5. BE PREPARED TO LISTEN
When conversations about online bullying do take place, they're likely to be difficult, emotional and upsetting for both you and your child. Actively listen to your child while they're bringing you up to speed, and try not to show any judgement or criticism – even if they haven't dealt with the situation in exactly the way you would have hoped.

6. EMPOWER YOUR CHILD
Depending on their age, your child might not want a parent 'fighting their battles for them'. In that case, talk through their options with them (blocking the perpetrator, deleting the app and so on). By allowing your child to choose the path they take, you're putting them in control but are also demonstrating that you're there to support them along the way.

7. REPORT BULLIES ONLINE
Cyber-bullying often takes place through a particular app, social media platform or online game. If this is happening to your child, encourage them to report the offender to the app or game in question – ideally with screenshots to support their complaint. Most games and apps have reporting tools specifically to stamp out abusive behaviour and protect users.

8. ENCOURAGE EMPATHY
Protecting themselves online is the priority, of course, but young people should also feel empowered to help if they witness other people falling victim to cyberbullying. Even if they don't feel confident enough to call someone out on their abusive behaviour online, they can still confidentially report that person to the app or game where the bullying occurred.

9. SEEK EXPERT ADVICE
Victims of online bullying frequently experience feelings of isolation and anxiety, a loss of self-esteem and potentially even thoughts of self-harm or suicide. If you think that an incident of cyber-bullying has affected your child's mental wellbeing, then seek psychological support for them. There are some useful contact details in the central panel below.

10. INVOLVE THE AUTHORITIES
If the nature of any online bullying makes you suspect that your child is genuinely in imminent physical danger – or if there are any signs whatsoever of explicit images being shared as part of the bullying – then you should gather any relevant screenshots as evidence and report the incidents to your local police force.

FURTHER SUPPORT AND ADVICE
If you or your child need additional help with an online bullying issue, here are some specialist organisations that you could reach out to.
Childline: talk to a trained counsellor on 0800 1111 or online at www.childline.org.uk/get-support/
National Bullying Helpline: counsellors are available on 0845 225 5787 or by visiting www.nationalbullyinghelpline.co.uk/cyberbullying.html
The NSPCC: the children's charity has a guide to the signs of bullying at www.nspcc.org.uk/what-is-child-abuse/types-of-abuse/bullying-and-cyberbullying/ and can be reached on 0800 800 5000

Meet Our Expert
Dr Claire Sutherland is an online safety consultant, educator and researcher who has developed and implemented anti-bullying and cyber safety policies for schools. She has written various academic papers and carried out research for the Australian government comparing internet use and sexting behaviour of young people in the UK, USA and Australia.



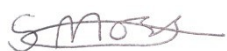
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AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS	
Week commencing 17.11.2025	
MONDAY	
Football Club—Elite (3.15 to 4.15pm)	Yes
Netball Club - Mrs Wood (3.15 to 1.00pm)	Yes
TUESDAY	
WEDNESDAY	
Dance Club—Elite (3.15 to 4.15pm)	Yes
THURSDAY(	
FRIDAY	

Kind regards



Mrs Sarah Moss
Headteacher

