



# School News

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## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



**Thank you for your kind donations for the Deal Area Foodbank at this year's Harvest Festival.**

### Friday, 6th October - Year 3 Class Worship at 9.00am in the School Hall

Parents, carers and family of children in Year 3 are invited to join us for their family worship.

### Monday, 9th and Tuesday, 10th October - Individual and Sibling School Photographs

Our school photographer will be in school on Monday and Tuesday next week to take individual and sibling photographs. If you would like your child/children to have a photograph with younger siblings not in school they will be available to take these between 8.00 to 8.45am on both days. Sibling group photo's and individual photo's for children in school will be taken during the day.

### Friday, 13th October - Year 2 Class Worship at 9.00am in the School Hall

Parents, carers and family of children in Year 2 are invited to join us for their family worship.

### Friday, 13th October - Parent's Support Group 9.00am to 10.15am in the School Library

All parents and carers are welcome to join us for our first Parent Support Group for this academic year on Friday, 13th October between 9am and 10.15am in the school library. If your child has family worship on this day you are welcome to join us after.

## OTHER SCHOOL NEWS

### Applying for a place at Secondary School

Applications for a place at secondary for children in year 6 have now opened. Applications are made online at <https://www.kent.gov.uk/education-and-children/schools/school-places/secondary-school-places>. The last day for applications is Tuesday, 31st October.

### Christmas Card Competition from Whole School Meals

As well as the PTFA Rudolph Christmas Gift Drawing, Whole School Meals are also running a Christmas Card Competition in partnership with their supplier, Q Catering. The competition has two age categories, KS1 and KS2. Winners will receive a book voucher for the school of £100 and a £50 book voucher for themselves. Entries should be on an A5 piece of paper (can be A4 folded in half) with a design for the front of a Christmas card. The closing date for entries is Thursday, 6th October and don't forget to add your child's name and school on the reverse. The winners will be presented with their prize by managing director of Q Catering, Steve Clarke.

# PTFA News

## Fireworks Night

Our annual Fireworks night will take place on Friday, 3rd November. This is an extremely popular event that is always well attended. **Please note there will not be a bonfire** but there will be a wonderful fireworks display, stalls and refreshments. **To help make this a success we rely on volunteers.** You may be able to help with preparing items beforehand, help with setting up, running a stall on the night, marshalling or helping to clear up after. If you think you can help in anyway we would love to hear from you, please use the form below.

**Tickets** are on sale now costing £7.00 per adult (£8.00 on the gate), £3.00 per child (£4.00 on the gate) and under 5's free. Tickets can be purchased at the school office or Bickers Post Office in the village. Gates open at 5.30pm with the fireworks display starting at 7.00pm

**Teddy Hoopla** - We would very much welcome donations of teddy's or soft toys for our teddy hoopla.

**Jars with lids** - We also require jars with lids for one of our stalls, please hand to the school office.

## Rudolph Personalised Christmas Gifts

Remember to return your picture and order forms for our Rudolph Personalised Christmas gifts. Further details about this gift idea, which has been very popular and well received the last two years, were emailed and sent home recently. **Orders need to be returned by 18th October 2023** . Further copies are available from the school office.

## Dates for your Diary

**Friday, 20th October** - Will be a non-uniform day in exchange for donations for the chocolate or bottle tombola's being held on Fireworks night.

**Thursday, 23rd November** - Bags2School, please keep any clothes, shoes and other items for our next Bags2School.

**Week Commencing, 27th November** - Christmas Gift Shop open all week in the library from 12noon until 1pm, further details will follow nearer to the time.

**Friday, 1st December** - Christmas discos, further details to follow.

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Child's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Tel. No. \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

I am happy to help with the Fireworks night with the following; \_\_\_\_\_

## INTERNET/ONLINE SAFETY SECTION

## Top Tips for Passwords



Combine three random words to create a password that is 'long enough and strong enough'.

Weak passwords can be cracked in seconds. The longer and more unusual your password is, the harder it is for a cyber criminal to crack.

A good way to make your password difficult to crack is by combining three random words to create a password (for example *applefrogpencil*). Or you could use a [password manager](#), which can create strong passwords for you (and remember them).

Avoid the [most common passwords](#) that criminals can easily guess (like ‘**password**’). You should also avoid creating passwords from significant dates (like your birthday, or a loved one’s), or from your favourite sports team, or by using family and pet names. Most of these details can be found within your social media profile.

If you're thinking of changing certain characters in your password (so swapping the letter 'o' with a zero, for example), you should know that cyber criminals know these tricks as well. So your password *won't* be significantly stronger, but it *will* be harder for you to remember.

## SCHOOL WEBSITE

### Kiddle and KidRex



Kiddle and KidRex are two search engines specifically created for children. These help to prevent children accidentally coming across inappropriate content when on the web. They are vetted search engines that identify keywords and block social media websites. Both of these

can be accessed via the school website, a link is at the bottom of each page. Why not set one of these up as your default search engine?



### Please Label Your Child's School Uniform

Please can we remind you to label your child's school uniform so that, if it is lost, it can be returned to its rightful owner - thank you.

Kind regards

Mr Neil Garvey  
Interim Headteacher

### AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Week commencing 9.10.23

MONDAY	
Home Learning Club (3.30-4.00pm)	Yes
Creative Station (3.30-4.30pm)	Yes
TUESDAY	
Girl's Football (3.30-4.15pm)	Yes
WEDNESDAY	
Singing Club (8.00 to 8.35am)	Yes
Multi-Sports Club (3.30 to 4.30pm)	Yes
THURSDAY	
Football Club (3.30-4.30pm)	Yes
FRIDAY	



## flu: 5 reasons to vaccinate your child



- 1. Protect your child**  
The vaccine will help protect your child against flu and serious complications such as bronchitis and pneumonia
- 2. Protect you, your family and friends**  
Vaccinating your child will help protect more vulnerable friends and family
- 3. No injection needed**  
The nasal spray is painless and easy to have
- 4. It's better than having flu**  
The nasal spray helps protect against flu, has been given to millions of children worldwide and has an excellent safety record
- 5. Avoid costs**  
If your child gets flu, you may have to take time off work or arrange alternative childcare

For more information visit  
[www.nhs.uk/child-flu](http://www.nhs.uk/child-flu)

**Flu i mmunisation**  
Helping to protect children, every winter

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Free, fun and informal session for parents/carers and children aged between 3 - 5 years

## FUN WITH YOGA

This course will teach you how to do some yoga poses, which will enable you and your child to improve balance, coordination, focus and concentration and will promote a sense of calm.

- Learn yoga and breathing techniques
- Learn how to do a cat, cow and downward dog pose.
- Learn about the benefits of doing yoga poses for strength and concentration



Thursday 5th October, 12.30pm - 1.30pm

At Sunflower Children's Centre

Eythorne and Elvington Primary School, Adelaide Road, Eythorne, CT15 4AN

Limited spaces - to book please call 03000 415858

You will need to wear comfortable, loose clothing and bring a bottle of water, a yoga mat, a notebook, and a shawl/blanket

We want you to enjoy learning with us. To help us provide the best possible experience for you, please let us know if you or your child have any disabilities or particular support needs.

