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School News



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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

We raised £84.00 for the Young Minds charity last Friday on our Hello Yellow, wear something yellow to school day - thank you for your generous donations.

Friday, 17th October - Inspire Day 'Multi Faiths'

On 17th October our inspire day will be 'multi-faith creation day' whereby the children will be learning about a creation story from a different faith. At the end of the day the children will share their learning with the rest of the school. Whilst we would usually invite parents in at the end of an inspire day, on this occasion, as all the children will be in the hall, we do not have the capacity to invite families in to watch too. Therefore, we will film and photo our event and share it with you on class dojo. We look forward to welcoming you in later in the year.

Friday, 17th October - Last Day of Term 1

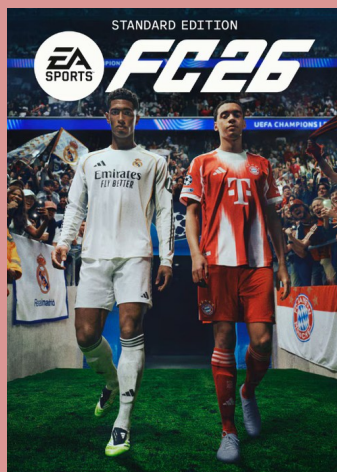
Monday 27th October - First Day of Term 2

Tuesday, 28th October - Flu Immunisations

Further to our emails and ClassDojo messages recently sent, we have the school immunisation team visiting on 28th October to administer the flu vaccine to children whose parents have consented to this. Parents need to consent by **23rd October** by visiting <http://www.kentimmunisations.co.uk/> and quote the school code 'KT118685'.

Thursday, 30th October - 'Young Health' Talk to Children in Year 5 & 6

HEALTH & SAFETY ADVICE/ONLINE SAFETY SECTION



EA FC 26

EA FC 26 has recently been released and has a PEGI 3 rating. Whilst this is deemed suitable for all age groups there are still some pitfalls and some safeguards that parents can put in place to help keep children safe.

- To prevent children spending real money, don't link a payment card to their account. It is easy for one purchase to lead to another with the flashy packs and slick animation. It is possible to add a pre-paid card if you want children to make their own choice about purchases.
- Adjust the settings in the game so that children are unable to chat with other players. If you are happy for children to chat to their friends consider setting up a safe space for them to call.
- Ensure passwords are lockdown. EA will never contact players via the game, only by email, and will never ask for usernames or passwords.

Primary Admissions

Applications for a place starting school in September 2026 will open on Friday, 7th November and close on Thursday, 15th January 2026. Even if you already have a child at the school you still need to apply for a place for any younger siblings. We have some open day tour events in November and if you, or someone you know, would like to visit, please contact the school office on 01304 611360 or email office@easry.kent.sch.uk.

Applications for a place can be made by visiting www.kent.gov.uk/ola when this opens on 7th November 2025.

Admission to

Primary school in Kent 2026

Apply online at kent.gov.uk/primaryadmissions

Opens Friday 7 November 2025 and closes at midnight on Thursday 15 January 2026

For children born between 1 September 2021 and 31 August 2022, Transferring to Primary school in September 2026

What to do

Choose a school

It's important to find out more about the schools you are interested in before you decide to name them on the application form.

Read the guide to Primary admissions at www.kent.gov.uk/primaryadmissions.

You can name up to three Primary schools, inside or outside of Kent, but you must name them all on the same application.

Apply for a school place

A simple, fast, convenient process which opens Friday 7 November 2025 and closes at midnight on Thursday 15 January 2026.

You will first need to set up an online account. The applicant is you, the parent/carer; you will then need to add your child's details before starting an application. You will receive a confirmation email that your application has been correctly submitted.

You can log back in at any time to view the information submitted.

Receiving your offer

On offer day (Thursday 16 April 2026) an email will be sent after 4pm informing you of your offer. You must accept or decline the school place you have been offered by Thursday 30 April 2026.

A link to a guide with information you will need to provide the school with will be in your offer email. If it has not been possible to offer your child a place in your preferred school, you have the right to appeal. You can also add their name to the school's waiting list.

Moving house during the application window will likely complicate your application and we therefore advise you to pay special attention to key dates in the admissions process. KCC has no discretionary authority to vary the process for parents who cannot complete address moves in time to make use of them for admissions purposes. If you have queries relating to this, please email the team on one of the email addresses below.

Key dates

Friday 7 November 2025	Online application process opens. Go to www.kent.gov.uk/primaryadmissions to register and apply.
Thursday 15 January 2026	Online application process closes for the main round. Any amendments after this date must be emailed to kentonlineadmissions@kent.gov.uk .
Thursday 16 April 2026	Offers of school places sent to parents via email after 4pm.
Thursday 30 April 2026	Parents should contact the school to accept/refuse the place that has been offered and can use the link in the offer email to ask for their child to be added to the waiting list of schools named on the original application.
Wednesday 13 May 2026	Appeals need to be lodged by this date to be heard before September – appeals information can be found at www.kent.gov.uk/schoolappeals . You can only appeal for schools that were named on the application form.

Need help?

Email primaryadmissions@kent.gov.uk

Full information booklet can also be viewed online at kent.gov.uk/primaryadmissions

Only one application per pupil will be accepted. If you apply online, do not complete any other form of application. Keep your login details safe and use your registered email address for all communication with the team.

The confirmation email may go to your junk/spam folder of your email – please check here before contacting our team for confirmation.

Please note applications can only be made via Kent County Council if the child resides at a Kent address. If your child does not reside at a Kent address, you must make an application via your Local Authority.



Secondary Admissions

Applications for a place a secondary school starting in September 2026 close at midnight on 31st October 2026.

Many of the schools have open day and evening events and we recommend that you include a visit during the school day so that you can see the school in action.

Admissions can be made online by visiting www.kent.gov.uk/ola.

Admission to

Secondary school in Kent 2026

Apply online at kent.gov.uk/secondaryadmissions

Opens Monday 1 September 2025 and closes at midnight on Friday 31 October 2025

For children born between 1 September 2014 and 31 August 2015, Transferring to Secondary school in September 2026

What to do

Choose a school

It's important to find out more about the schools you are interested in before you decide to name them on the application form.

Read the Guide to Secondary admissions at www.kent.gov.uk/secondaryadmissions.

You can name up to four Secondary schools, inside or outside of Kent, but you must name them all on the same application.

Apply for a school place

A simple, fast, convenient process which opens Monday 1 September 2025 and closes at midnight on Friday 31 October 2025.

If you already have an account set up from the Kent Test process, please use these login details. You will receive an email confirmation that your application has been submitted correctly and that the LA has received it.

You can log back in at any time to view the information submitted.

Receiving your offer

On offer day (Monday 2 March 2026) an email will be sent after 4pm informing you of your offer. You must accept or decline the school place you have been offered by Monday 16 March 2026.

If we have not offered your child a place in your preferred school, you have the right to appeal. You can also add their name to the school's waiting list if your child is eligible for admission.

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Monday 2 nd March 2026	Offers of school places sent to parents via email after 4pm.
Monday 16 th March 2026	Parents should contact the school to accept/refuse the place that has been offered and can use the link in the offer email to ask for their child to be added to the waiting list of eligible schools named on the original application.
Monday 30 th March 2026	Appeals need to be lodged by this date to be heard before September – appeals information can be found at www.kent.gov.uk/schoolappeals . You can only appeal for schools that were named on the application form.

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FIREWORKS NIGHT



Picture by Isla-Rose Year 3

FRIDAY 14TH NOVEMBER

EASTRY PRIMARY SCHOOL

GATES OPEN AT 5.30PM, FIREWORKS 7.00PM.

ADULT TICKETS - £7 PRE-SALE, £8 ON-GATE

CHILD TICKETS - £3 PRE-SALE, £4 ON-GATE

UNDER 5'S GO FREE

TICKETS ON SALE VIA THE SCHOOL OFFICE (8AM - 5PM) OR

BICKERS NEWSAGENTS (CASH ONLY).

BONFIRE, REFRESHMENTS, BBQ, CANDY FLOSS, CAKES, TOMBOLA

AND MUCH MORE!

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THE PTFA NEED YOUR HELP!

On the 14th November we are hosting the Eastry School fireworks display.

If you think you can help support us with this event we are looking for help in the following areas:

- Volunteers to help on the night
(all volunteers get free entry with their children)
- Crafts to sell on craft stall
- Cakes & treats for refreshments
- Teddies for Teddy Hoopla

If you think you can help please contact the School Office.

OTHER COMMUNITY NEWS

Sir Roger Manwood's Admissions Consultation

Sir Roger Manwood's School is consulting on its admissions arrangements, as it is obliged to do every seven years. Please see below a link to the consultation page of their school website.

<https://www.manwoods.co.uk/page/?title=Consultation+on+Admissions+Arrangements+for+Entry+in+the+Academic+Year+2027%2D2028&pid=166>

Christmas Card Competition

Q Catering, who supply some of the products to Whole School Meals, are again running a Christmas Card Competition to design their Christmas card. Entries can be submitted on a blank sheet of paper with the name, age and school written on the reverse. Entries need to be given to Maria in the kitchen or the school office by Friday, 7th November.



Free Magazine 'Family First'

Parents and carers can download a free copy of the Family First magazine by [clicking here](#).

Fun Factory Free Football Session - Sunday, 26th October 3-5pm at Tides Leisure Centre

The fun factory are offering a free football session for all children ages 4—12 years in a safe, fun and supportive environment. [Please click here to book your space](#).

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Week commencing 27.10.2025

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	

Parking Near the School

I know many parents are considerate of our neighbours but please can we again ask that parents are mindful when parking in and around the school. Please do not park in front of peoples drives preventing them from accessing their properties. Please also ensure you park sensibly to allow emergency vehicles access should they need it - thank you.

Kind regards

Mrs Sarah Moss
Headteacher