# School News

**Jesus says *'Love one another as I have loved you.'* John 13:34**

No. 9

5th November 2026

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## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY




### Friday, 6th November - PTFA Fireworks Night 5.30pm

**Tickets**

Tickets for our Fireworks Night are on sale from the School Office or Bickers Post Office in the village. Adult tickets cost £7.00 in advance, £8.00 on the gate and Children's Tickets £3.00 in advance, £4.00 on the gate. The latest time advance tickets can be purchased is 1.00pm on Friday, 6th November. Unfortunately we do not have the facility to take card payments but tickets can be purchased using cash.

**Push the Button**

Raffle tickets costing 50p are also on sale from the school office for a chance to 'push the button' to start the fireworks. Last time to purchase raffle tickets is Friday morning.

**Cake Donations**

Donations of cakes for our refreshment stall would be very gratefully received and can be brought to the school office anytime on Friday.

### Friday, 6th November - Squirrels' Teddy Day

Children in squirrels class may bring a reasonably sized teddy to school with them on Friday.

### Friday, 6th November - Cross Country Event at Duke of York's Military School

### Monday, 9th to Wednesday, 11th November - Year 6 Bikeability

### Tuesday, 10th November - Visit to school by Starfish Malawi




### Wednesday, 11th November - Remembrance Day

Some children from Year 6 will join the Remembrance Service at the memorial in Eastry on Wednesday, 11th November.

### Thursday, 12th November - Boy's League Match home to Wingham Primary School

### Friday, 13th November - Wear something spotty for 'Children in Need'

Children may wear something spotty to school for a suggested donation of £1 for 'Children in Need'.

**Please let your friends and family know about our upcoming school tours and Open Day for children who are due to start school in September 2027. Places can be booked by contacting the school on 01304 611360 or emailing office@eastry.kent.sch.uk.**

# Eastry C of E Primary School

- Kindness
- Compassion
- Community
- Respect
- Aspiration
- Resilience

## OPEN DAY & SCHOOL TOURS

Come and see what makes our school special!







### School Tours

**Monday, 12th October**

**Tuesday, 13th October**

**Thursday, 15th October**

**Monday, 23rd November**

**Tuesday, 24th November**

**Thursday, 26th November**

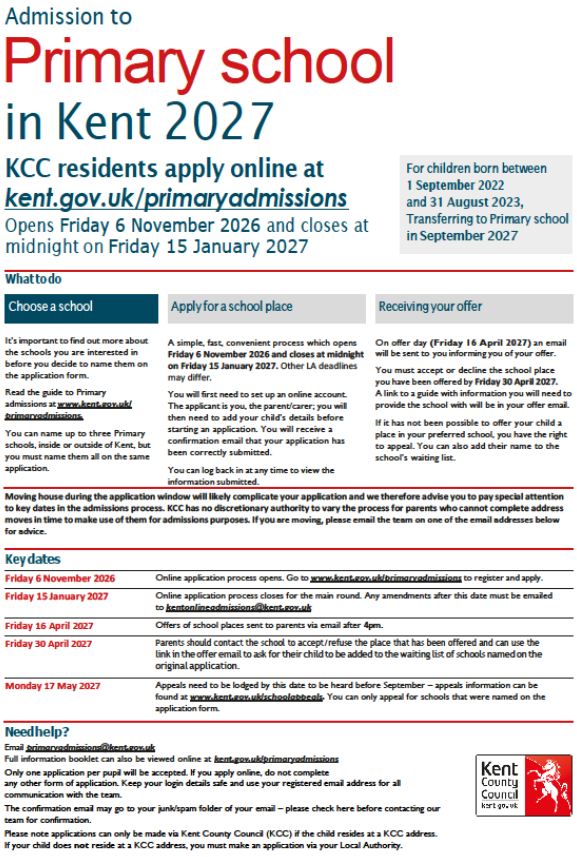
### Open Day

**Saturday, 28th November**
**10am-12noon**

Book a place by calling **01304 611360** or emailing office@eastry.kent.sch.uk

We look forward to welcoming you to our school

# OTHER SCHOOL NEWS



Admission to

Primary school in Kent 2027

KCC residents apply online at kent.gov.uk/primaryadmissions

Opens Friday 6 November 2026 and closes at midnight on Friday 15 January 2027

For children born between 1 September 2022 and 31 August 2023, Transferring to Primary school in September 2027

What to do

| Choose a school | Apply for a school place | Receiving your offer |
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| It's important to find out more about the schools you are interested in before you decide to name them on the application form.<br>Read the guide to Primary admissions at www.kent.gov.uk/primaryadmissions.<br>You can name up to three Primary schools, inside or outside of Kent, but you must name them all on the same application. | A simple, fast, convenient process which opens Friday 6 November 2026 and closes at midnight on Friday 15 January 2027. Other LA deadlines may differ.<br>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.<br>You can log back in at any time to view the information submitted. | On offer day (Friday 16 April 2027) an email will be sent to you informing you of your offer.<br>You must accept or decline the school place you have been offered by Friday 30 April 2027. A link to a guide with information you will need to provide the school with will be in your offer email.<br>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 are moving, please email the team on one of the email addresses below for advice.

Key dates

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| Friday 6 November 2026 | Online application process opens. Go to www.kent.gov.uk/primaryadmissions to register and apply. |
| Friday 15 January 2027 | Online application process closes for the main round. Any amendments after this date must be emailed to kentonlineadmissions@kent.gov.uk |
| Friday 16 April 2027 | Offers of school places sent to parents via email after 4pm. |
| Friday 30 April 2027 | 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. |
| Monday 17 May 2027 | 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 (KCC) if the child resides at a KCC address. If your child does not reside at a KCC address, you must make an application via your Local Authority.

Kent County Council kent.gov.uk

## Applying for a place at Primary School

Applications to apply for a place starting school in September 2027 will open on 6th November.

Please see the previous page for details of our school tours and upcoming Open Morning. To book, please call the school on 01304 611360 or email office@eastry.kent.sch.uk.

Details on how to apply can be found on the attached poster.




## Royal British Legion - Poppy Appeal

We are again selling Poppies and other items to support this year's Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal.
Last year, as a school, we raised £139.58 to support the amazing work the Royal British Legion in providing welfare and care for our current and past service men and women, and their families.

Thank you for your support.

## Attendance in Term 1

Each term we let parents know about the current overall school attendance figure. At the end of term 1 this stood at 95.4%.

We understand that sometimes children are too unwell to attend school, or it can be difficult to know whether they should attend or not when feeling a little under the weather. Our leaflet 'A Guide for Parents/Carers on School Attendance' gives lots of helpful information about when to keep your child off of school or when it is fine for them to still attend. This leaflet was emailed to parents yesterday and can also be viewed on the school website under our Attendance page in the Parent tab.




## Flu Immunisation

The deadline for parents to submit a consent or decline for the FLU vaccination via the Immunisation Service's website https://www.kentimmunisations.co.uk/ is 17th November 2026.

Our school's unique code/URN is: 'KT118685'

# ATTENDANCE




## Attendance Cup

**Red Squirrels - Congratulations**

Congratulations to Red Squirrel class who had the highest attendance on the last week of term 1 at 99.2% .Well done!

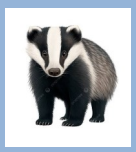





## On Time Shield

**Badger Class - Congratulations**

Badger class won the On-Time Shield on the last week of term as they all arrived to school on time every day. Thank you to all those parents who make sure their child arrives to school on time - it makes such a big difference to the start of their school day.



## Thanks from the Deal Area Foodbank

We have received a letter from the Deal Area Foodbank to thank us for our donations at Harvest. They wished to say;

'*Thank you to you and everyone who contributed to your recent Harvest collection for Deal Foodbank & Pantry.*
*Every item donated and every pound given helps us support people in Deal and the surrounding villages who are struggling to afford the essentials.'* and *'Please pass on our heartfelt thanks to everyone who donated, organised or helped with your collection. Their kindness will reach far beyond Harvest, helping us continue this vital support in the months ahead.'*

Kind regards

Mrs Sarah Moss
Headteacher

| AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS<br>Week commencing 9.11.2026 | |
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| MONDAY | |
| **Young Health Champions - Mrs Moss (3.15 to 4.00pm)** | **Yes** |
| **Netball Club - Miss Wood (3.15 to 4.00pm)** | **Yes** |
| **Singing Club - Mrs Gleave (3.15 to 4.00pm)** | **Yes** |
| TUESDAY | |
| **Magical Maths (3.15 to 4.15pm)** | **Yes** |
| WEDNESDAY | |
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| THURSDAY | |
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| FRIDAY | |
| **Football Club—Elite (3.15 to 4.15pm)** | **Yes** |

