



Monkton Update – 2nd October 2026

TERM 1 – Week 5

Monday 05/10/2026	
Tuesday 06/10/2026	
Wednesday 07/10/2026	
Thursday 08/10/2026	Harvest Festival 11:15am
Friday 09/10/2026	Read at 3pm

Dear Parents/Carers

Head of School Update

Our **OPAL Mini Mudder** was brilliant! The children and adults looked like they had a fantastic time. My sincerest apologies if any car interiors got a little muddy and wet!

This week has been a very full and action-packed week, packed with learning, creativity and hard work. Our **PRIDE values** have been on show in every single lesson. In fact, we always say, *“Every Second Counts”* — there’s no time for lost learning!

Mrs Guilder and I have also attended safeguarding training this week in our roles as **Designated Safeguarding Leads**. Whilst the training can be harrowing, it is incredibly important that we know how to keep our children as safe as possible and who to contact or speak to if we have a concern.

If you have a worry about a child’s safety, **please act**. Being curious and asking questions is always better than doing nothing at all. Please contact either me or Mrs Guilder, and we can help to take the worry away.

Next Thursday is our **Harvest Assembly**, which will take place in the hall at **11:15am**. Parents are more than welcome to attend, and the gate will open at **11:00am**.

We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible!

Mr Marston

Attendance for Week 5 Term 1

YR R – 94.19%
YR 1 – 98%
YR 2 – 96.36%
YR 3 – 93.64%
YR 4 – 94%
YR 5 – 99.38%
YR 6 – 98%



Reminder: Reporting Your Child’s Absence

If your child is unable to attend school due to illness, please remember to **telephone the school by 9.00am on each day of their absence**.

If your child is going to be absent for more than one day, please make sure you **contact us again on each subsequent day**, unless you have already agreed alternative arrangements with the school.

Thank you for helping us to keep our attendance records up to date and, most importantly, to ensure we know that all of our pupils are safe and accounted for.



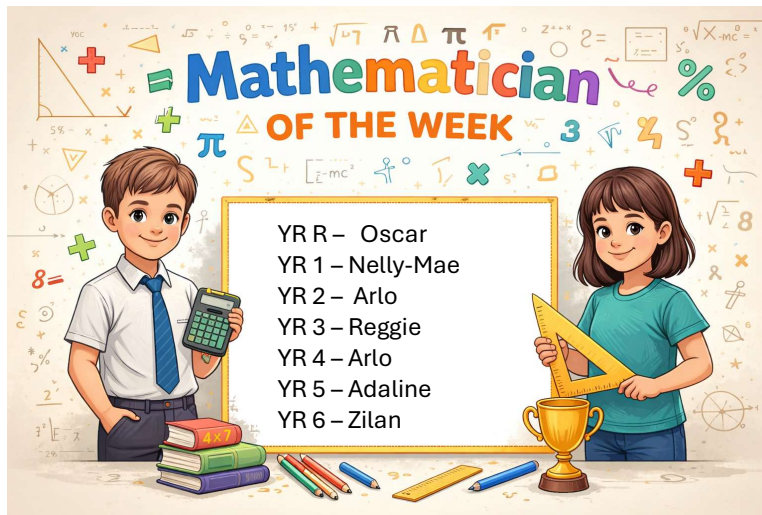
Weekly School Awards

House Points – **Compassion** 135 **Courage** 219 **Justice** 223



Star of the Week

YR R – Henley for good listening and engagement with his group learning
 YR 1 – Laiten for showing fantastic attitude in his learning and trying his best.
 YR 2 – Jake for being a role model to others
 YR 3 – Freddie F for his determination with reading
 YR 4 – Logan for his wonderful presentation of work
 YR 5 – Marcus for super engagement and challenging himself in learning
 YR 6 – Olivia for some lovely writing and excellent understanding of English skills



Readers of the Week

YR R – Nora
 YR 1 – Mabel
 YR 2 – Ethan
 YR 3 – Laycie-Mai
 YR 4 – Eloise
 YR 5 – Oscar
 YR 6 – Jake



% of readers 5xs a week

YR R – 56%
 YR 1 – 53%
 YR 2 – 27%
 YR 3 – 72%
 YR 4 – 47%
 YR 5 – 44%
 YR 6 – 50%

PRIDE Sharing

Class 1- Everyone for their phonics learning.
 Class 2 – Sophia and Florence for thoughtfully creating a hospital based on Florence Nightingale's work.
 Class 3 – Blake for his determination and presentation of work in rounding.
 Class 4 – Olivia's formal letter writing – a rhetorical question written in the subjunctive with parenthesis!!!

YR R –
 YR 1 – Sophia, Mabel, Florence
 YR 2 – Evelyn



Class 1 – Gold
 Class 2 – Silver
 Class 3 – Gold
 Class 4 – Silver



Christian Ambassador Awards

Compassion – Arlo, Siahna-Rose, Evie-Rose, Orla
Courage –
Justice –

YR 2 – Evelyn
 YR 3 – Daniel
 YR 4 – Lucas
 YR 5 – William
 YR 6 – Olivia





Forest School

Forest School will on Monday from start of Term 1,

Children will need appropriate clothing for Forest School, including waterproof trousers and coat. We have a limited number of waterproof trousers and coats in school but cannot guarantee they will fit your child.

Class	Week	Date
Class 4	Week 1	07/09/2026
Class 3	Week 2	14/09/2026
Class 2	Week 3	21/09/2026
Class 1	Week 4	28/09/2026
Class 4	Week 5	05/10/2026
Class 3	Week 6	12/10/2026
Class 2	Week 7	19/10/2026

Term 1

Thursday 8th October

Friday 9th October

Wednesday 21st October

Thursday 22nd October

Harvest Festival 11:15am

Read at 3

Flu Vaccinations

Last Day of Term 1

Term 2

Monday 2nd November

Wednesday 4th November

Thursday 12th November

Friday 20th November

Friday 11th December

Thursday 17th December

Friday 18th December

1st day of Term 2

Year 3/4 British Museum

School Photos

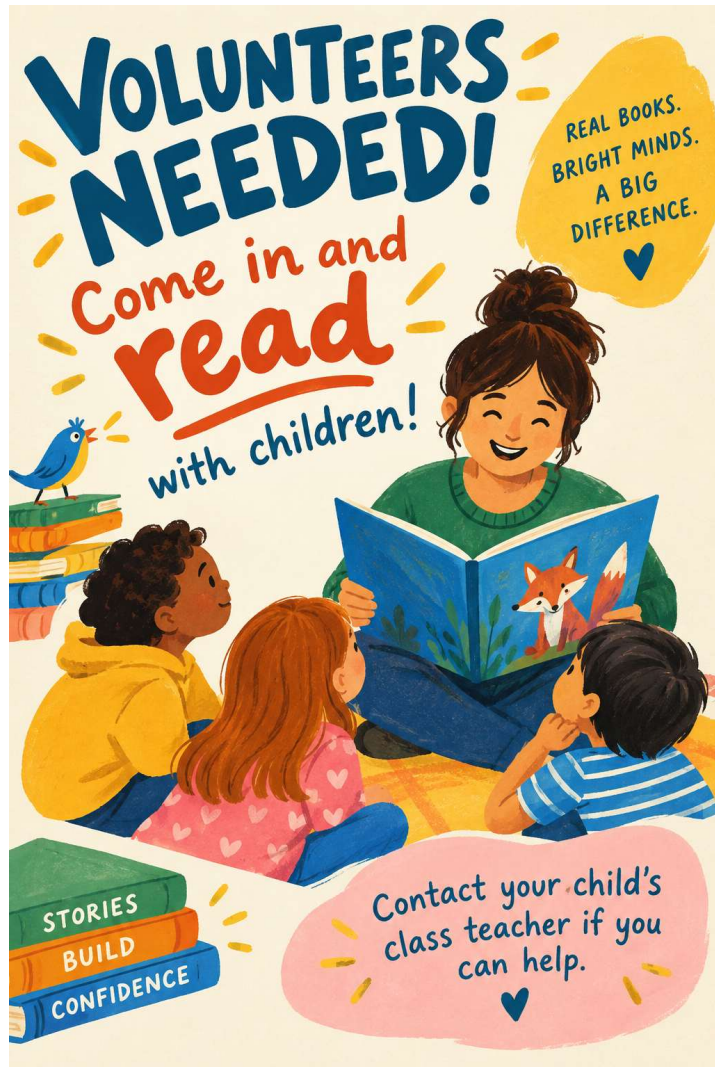
Children in Need

Nativity/iRock Concert

Christingle

Monkton's got Talent/ Last Day of Term 2







THANET WANDERERS RUGBY UNION FOOTBALL CLUB

WANDERERS SEND RUGBY

OPEN TO ALL 5s AND OVER WITH SEND
SEPTEMBER THROUGH TO MAY EVERY YEAR
9.30-10.30AM EVERY SUNDAY
AND EVERY THURSDAY DURING THE SUMMER



FUN • SAFE • FRIENDLY

BOYS & GIRLS
NON CONTACT

SPECIALIST COACHING
MIXED ABILITY

NO PREVIOUS RUGBY
EXPERIENCE NECESSARY

AT THANET WANDERERS, ST PETER'S RECREATION GROUND, CALLIS COURT ROAD, BROADSTAIRS, KENT CT10 3AE

For further information email andy.bull@thanetwanderers.co.uk



ND affirming Play and Support Sessions



See Me Grow are free, affirming sessions for families with a child under 5 and a disabled or neurodivergent family member (no diagnosis needed), offering play for little ones and a chance for caregivers to chat and connect.



Tickets are FREE but booking is recommended as only 10 spaces per session available

Windmill Community Gardens

Dane Valley Road and College Road, Margate, CT9 2SH.



Find us with bus number 34 from Cecil square, Margate

www.windmillcommunitygardensmargate.com





Please find below details of three upcoming free Family Learning Workshops taking place at Thanet Priory Family Hub.

These sessions have been planned to run across three consecutive weeks, providing parents and carers with practical strategies to support their child's emotional wellbeing, anxiety and healthy eating. You can attend individual sessions or benefit from attending the full series.

Week 1: Supporting Your Child's Anxiety Explore the signs of anxiety and learn practical techniques to help children build confidence, resilience and coping skills.

Monday, 5th October, 12:30-14:30

 Book here: [Supporting Your Child's Anxiety](#)

Week 2: Calm Together - Emotional Regulation You and Your Child Practical strategies for understanding and managing emotions, helping both parents and children develop calmer responses and stronger relationships.

Monday, 12th October, 12:30-14:30

 Book here: [Calm together - Emotional Regulation You and Your Child](#)

Week 3: Supporting Your Neuro-Diverse Child to Eat Healthily A supportive workshop exploring healthy eating strategies while recognising the sensory and behavioural needs of neuro-diverse children.

Monday, 19th October, 12:30-14:30

 Book here: [Supporting your Neuro-Diverse Child to eat Healthily](#)



**BRAND NEW TO SOUTHWOOD
COVERED FANZONE
RONNIES KITCHEN
CLUBHOUSE BAR EXTENTION**

Saturday 3rd October

FREE FOOTBALL

 **V** 
RAMSGATE FC **CAFC**

3:00pm KO
Southwood
Ramsgate

**FREE ENTRY FOR
THANET SCHOOLS
WITH THIS FLYER
ADMITS
(2X ADULTS +
UNLIMITED U18S)**



MARGATE FOOTBALL CLUB

FOOTBALL FOR EVERYONE

MONDAY

INCLUSIVE CLUB

FREE first term

Mondays
5:00pm – 6:00pm

Ages
5 – 10
11 – 16

Players with
learning or
physical disabilities

£5
per session
*after first term

EAST KENT FOOTBALL CLUB

DEVELOPMENT CENTRE & GIRLS TALENT PATHWAY

FOUNDATION U8-U11

FA 6 Core Components

- > Scanning
- > Timing
- > Movement
- > Positioning
- > Deception
- > Techniques

TALENT PATHWAY (U10-U14)

- Structured curriculum
- Match Day awareness and tactical development.

Girls only Development Centre

- Player Development with IDP's, skill focus, and developmental curriculums.
- Comprehensive technical, tactical, physical training.
- 3G Winter training

Mondays 5:00-6:00 pm
@ Northdown Sports Pavilion £5 CT9 3TP

W: 07566220987 E: ekfcsecretary@gmail.com



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Calling *all* budding young artists

We've teamed up with **FENWICK** to give the children of Kent the chance to design *Kent Life* magazine's 2026 Christmas cover

To enter, youngsters must live in Kent and be in full-time education.

A selection of entries will be published in the Christmas issue – along with the child's first name, age and school.

The winner's drawing will feature on the cover.

To enter a drawing, painting or illustration simply scan and email to kentchristmascover@newsquest.co.uk with the creator's name, age and school, no later than Tuesday, October 27, 2026.

Entries must have a festive design and the judges are especially keen to see some of Kent's landmarks in there too. Entries must be text-free – so no writing on designs. Good luck!

ABOUT OUR PARTNER

In 1882, when John James Fenwick started a Paris-inspired department store in England's north-east, many thought the idea was too bold. From outfitting the pioneering British aviatrix Lady Isobel Chaytor to novel collaborations with the circus, the brand that JJ Fenwick founded has long pioneered its own style. That pioneering spirit is an inspiration for the Fenwick of today. Fenwick Canterbury is a four-storey flagship department store located on St George's Street within the Whitefriars shopping area. Fenwick in Royal Tunbridge Wells is a prominent three-storey department store in Royal Victoria Place shopping centre. ●

fenwick.co.uk

