



# NEWSLETTER NO.8 SUMMER TERM – 19<sup>th</sup> June 2026

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## MISSION IN ACTION AWARDS

WOWS for FOUNDATION STAGE		Nursery: Betty, Rosie, Seb S, Nora and Francesca. Reception: Chester and Jett.
BUSY BEES' STARS		MON: Clemmie (N) TUE: Hector (Y3) THUR: Marianna (Y3) FRI: Gus (Y1)
RECEPTION	Atticus	GROW & WORSHIP: For building a wonderful bridge for Saint Peter and for being very brave.
	Lucia	LEARN: For Magical Maths this week! For great work on odd and even numbers.
YEAR 1	Aaron	LEARN: For excellent work in Maths finding quarters of quantities and explaining his reasoning clearly.
	Lana	LEARN: For great story writing!
YEAR 2	Bobby	LOVE: For being such a sensible, mature member of our class.
	Isobel	LEARN: For excellent alphabetical ordering work in English.
YEAR 3	Hector	LEARN: For producing some amazing English work this week, writing a chapter for The Wild Robot. You included some brilliant, expanded noun phrases and similes, well done!
	Eliza	
	Ola	LOVE: For always putting the needs of others before yourself, offering to help or change group to work with other children. It is lovely to see!
	Sophie	
YEAR 4	Poppy	LEARN: For your amazing G.K. homework each week! We look forward to seeing what you have done each week.
	Sophie	LEARN: For a great effort this week in all areas of the curriculum. Keep up the good work.
	Órlaith	GROW: For a fantastic effort with Mayan Maths using base 20 this week!
YEAR 5	Whole Class	LOVE & WORSHIP: For their excellent behaviour at Wintershall and for being such good ambassadors for the school.
YEAR 6	Alexandra	LEARN & GROW: For using her initiative and completing her work independently in Maths this week, exploring angles in a triangle.
	Rowland	LOVE & LEARN: For a superbly written letter to Sir Kier Starmer, highlighting his thoughts on the recent ban of social media for under 16s and for being so gentle, kind and helpful in Reception Class on Wednesday.
	Isla	LOVE: For being so gentle, kind and helpful in Reception Class on Wednesday.
	A P-P	
	Matty	LOVE: For being so thoughtful and helpful during our trip to Wintershall on Wednesday.
MUSIC	Alexandra (R)	For hard work, progress and enthusiasm in class music. Well done!
	Harry (Y1)	For always giving his best in class music and for great percussion skills!
	Pearl (Y1)	For her joyful participation and enthusiasm in class music.
	Imogen (Y4)	For progress and determination in her piano studies. Well done and keep it up!



Key policies are available via the school website or on request from the school.



## CONGRATULATIONS:

- **Eddie (Y3)** – Whose team – Hawkhurst United Football Club - came 2<sup>nd</sup> overall in a football tournament.
- **Miller (Y3)** – Whose team – Hawkhurst United Football Club - came 2<sup>nd</sup> overall in a football tournament.
- **Ylva (Y2)** – For achieving a Merit in her ISTD Tap Dance exam.
- **Luciano (Y2)** – For competing the 'Treetop Adventure' course at Go Ape, Bedgebury.
- **Teddy (Y5)** – Whose football team - Tunbridge Wells Foresters Dinamo - won the Tonbridge Junior Football Fiesta Plate award on Saturday.
- **Poppy (Y4)** – For achieving a Distinction in her ISTD Grade 1 Tap exam.
- **Eva (Y5)** - Whose football team – Langton Green – were runners up in the Tonbridge Junior Football Fiesta on Saturday.
- **Ellen (Y4)** – For getting 2<sup>nd</sup> Place in the 'Dog most looking like their owner' category at the Lamberhurst School Summer Fair.

## ABRSM EXAMS

PUPIL	YEAR	INSTRUMENT	GRADE	MARK
Helen	Year 3	Piano	1	Merit
Sophie-Ann	Year 5	Piano	3	Merit
Blaise	Year 4	Violin	2	Pass



# DIARY DATES – SUMMER TERM

<b>WEEK 9</b>		
Mon 22 <sup>nd</sup> Jun	Whole School Celebration of the Word	09:00
Tue 23 <sup>rd</sup> Jun	Parent Consultations	17:00 – 19:00
Wed 24 <sup>th</sup> Jun	Y4 Swimming @ Mayfield	08:20 – 10:15
	Parent Consultations	16:00 – 18:00
Thu 25 <sup>th</sup> Jun	Awards Assembly	09:00
Fri 26 <sup>th</sup> Jun	Sports Day and Summer Fair	Email to follow
<b>WEEK 10</b>		
Mon 29 <sup>th</sup> Jun	Whole School Celebration of the Word	09:00
Tue 30 <sup>th</sup> Jun	Open Classrooms – Foundation Stage (Nursery & Reception)	08:30 – 08:45
Wed 1 <sup>st</sup> Jul	Y4 Swimming @ Mayfield	08:20 – 10:15
	Open Classrooms – KS1 (Year 1 & Year 2)	08:30 – 08:45
	Year 3 Egyptian Day	-
	Year 5 & Year 6 Musical Performance	18:30 – 20:00
Thu 2 <sup>nd</sup> Jul	Open Classrooms – LKS2 (Year 3 & Year 4)	08:30 – 08:45
	Workshops with Ravi Zvi (Years 1,2,3 & 5)	09:00 – 12:00
	Year 5 & Year 6 Musical Performance	18:30 – 20:00
Fri 3 <sup>rd</sup> Jul	Open Classrooms – UKS2 (Year 5 & Year 6)	08:30 – 08:45
	Awards Assembly	09:00
	Parent & Toddler – Teddy Bears' Picnic	09:00 – 10:30
	FS Ice Lolly Sale at Breaktime	10:30
<b>WEEK 11</b>		
Mon 6 <sup>th</sup> Jul	Whole School Celebration of the Word	09:00
Tue 7 <sup>th</sup> Jul	Moving up Morning	11:00 – 12:30
Wed 8 <sup>th</sup> Jul	Year 6 v Teachers Rounders Match (no parents)	10:00 – 11:00
Thu 9 <sup>th</sup> Jul	Year 6 Leavers' Mass (Y6 parents welcome)	14:00 – 15:00
	Year 6 Final Cricket Match and Match Tea (Y6 parents welcome)	15:00
	Summer Term Reports sent home	-
	End of Summer Term – Nursery	15:30
Fri 10 <sup>th</sup> Jul	Prizegiving Celebration at Mayfield School (Reception – Y6)	08:45 Drop off
	Parents welcome to the service – email to follow	10:30 Service
	End of Summer Term – Reception – Year 6	12:00
<b>SUMMER HOLIDAYS – 13<sup>TH</sup> JULY – 4<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER</b>		
<b>BACK TO SCHOOL – MONDAY, 7<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2026</b>		

# IN OTHER NEWS



## mSPORTi SUMMER HOLIDAY CAMP

Bookings are now open:  
 Monday 13<sup>th</sup> – Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July  
 09:00 – 15:00  
 Ages 5 - 12

Please follow the link on the flyer to book your place directly with mSPORTi.

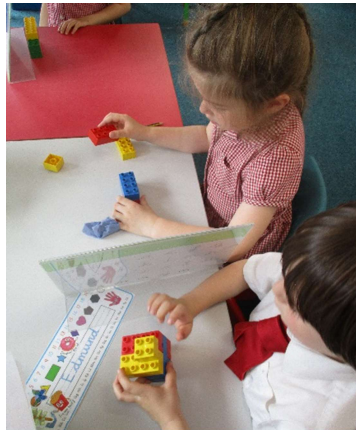
# THE GOOD SHEPHERD

On Thursday 18th June, Tessa, Kamila, Poppy, Órlaith, Lucia, Blaise and Lorenzo had the wonderful opportunity to accompany Mrs Gabriel and Mrs Collyer to the Good Shepherd Celebration at Worth Abbey. The event brought together children and staff from 80 schools across the Diocese for a special liturgy. As part of the celebration, each school presented a decorated anchor representing its unique charism and values. We were delighted to share our Sacred Heart School's anchor, beautifully decorated on our behalf by Mrs Balmer. The anchor was displayed alongside those from the other schools, creating a striking visual reminder of the many communities united in faith across the Diocese. The children thoroughly enjoyed taking part in the liturgy. They represented our school with great enthusiasm, reverence and excellent behaviour, and were proud to be part of such a special occasion. We would like to thank Mrs Balmer for her creativity in decorating our anchor so beautifully and congratulate the children for being such wonderful ambassadors for our school.



# YEAR 1

Children in Year 1 have been learning that programming computers requires exact instructions, so we tried to do just that when copying our friend's Duplo constructions based on their directions. It was quite tricky at first, but we persevered and became more confident with every attempt!



In Science, children are learning about plants by growing our own runner bean plants and identifying wildflowers around the school. We also brought in wild and garden flowers from home to learn about them with our friends.



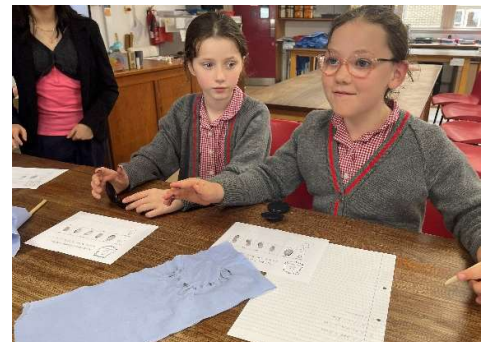
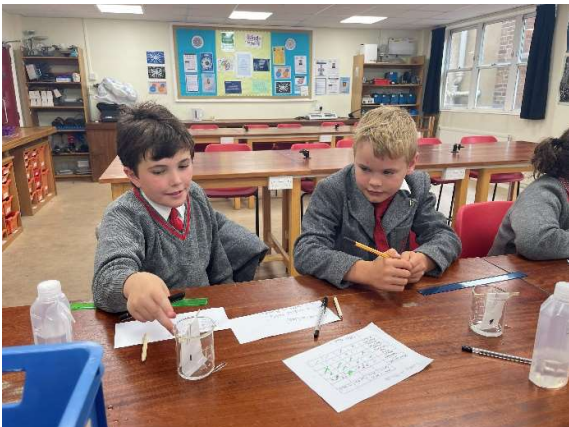
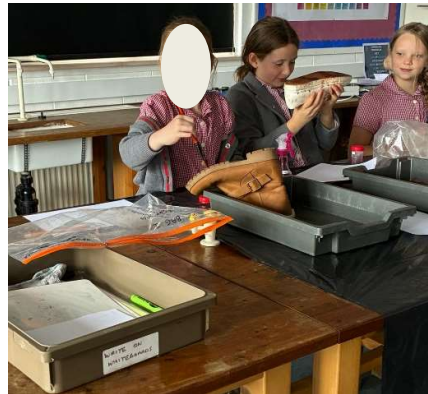
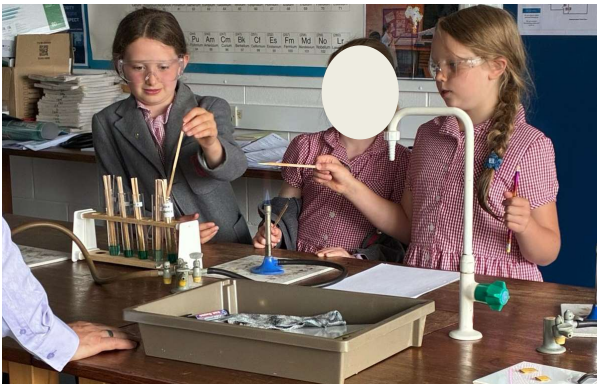
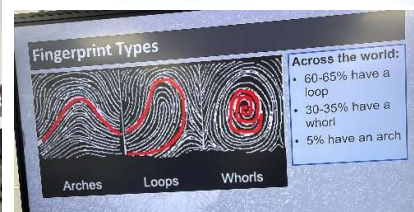
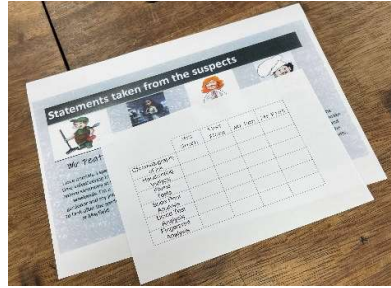
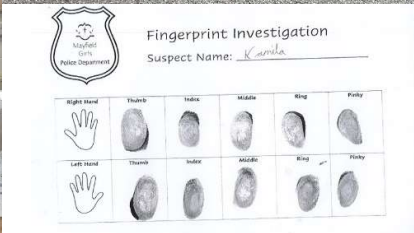
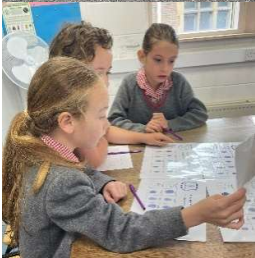
We enjoyed making potion bottles with fabric and corks in Art for the Alice in Wonderland display.



# YEAR 4



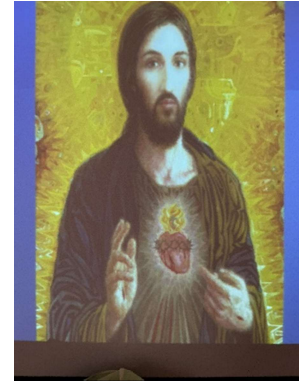
Children in Year 4 have had an exciting week! They enjoyed a 'Who Done It?' Science and Forensics Day at Mayfield School on Wednesday. The activities were really exciting! Children had to investigate a crime scene using footprint analysis with powder and Bunsen burners to investigate chemicals and fingerprinting. We had a wonderful day and thank you to Mayfield School and their lovely teacher for looking after us. Lunch was too!



# FEAST OF SACRED HEART

We began our special feast day with a whole school liturgy which was focused on the meaning of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and why our school's name is so special. The image of the Sacred Heart, with flames surrounding it and displayed outside Jesus' body, represents a heart burning with love and open to all people. Jesus points to His heart as a sign that He freely gives His love and kindness to everyone.

Each year group took part with the Nursery setting up the prayer focus and leading us in the singing of "Come and Join the Circle". Other year groups read from Scripture; they recited a psalm and a poem and led us in prayer. Reception Class gave us some beautiful examples of why they love Sacred Heart School and Year One shared with us some joyful ways that we show love in our special school. The KS1 Dance Club demonstrated beautifully how we all belong together and all the children sang and signed hymns with such grace and emotion; we were very proud of them.



It was wonderful to welcome so many parents who were able to join us for this special liturgy, helping us celebrate the fact that we are all part of one big Sacred Heart Family!

At playtime, the children (and staff!) enjoyed ice lollies and then we shared a very special picnic lunch with some of our parents. It was a day filled with happiness and joy!



# YEAR 5 & YEAR 6 TRIP TO WINTERSHALL

On Wednesday, children in Year 5 and Year 6 travelled to Wintershall to watch *The Life of Christ*, a powerful open-air production telling the story of Jesus' life, death and resurrection.

Despite the long journey and a few tired eyes on the coach home, the children were completely captivated by the performance. Watching familiar Bible stories come to life in the beautiful Surrey countryside made a lasting impression on everyone. From the miracles and teachings of Jesus to the moving scenes of the crucifixion and resurrection, the production helped the children to deepen their understanding of the Christian faith in a very memorable way.

The children were a real credit to the school throughout the day. They listened attentively, showed great respect and reflected thoughtfully on what they had seen. Many said they were surprised by how emotional and realistic the performance felt, while others enjoyed spotting details from stories they had learned about in RE lessons.

A few highlights were being fed as one of the "five thousand"; seeing Peter jump into the lake in excitement and seeing the huge crowd scenes, complete with Roman soldiers, horses, donkeys and even a few unexpected sheep wandering into the action!

Thank you to the PTA for allowing us to experience a wonderful day of learning, reflection and shared experience that we are sure the children and adults will remember for years to come.



# PARENT NOTICES

## COFFEE MORNINGS

**Coffee & Chat**

Would you like to talk to other parents about neurodiversity in children? Come along to the staff room for coffee and a chat on the last Friday of each month between 8.45 and 9.45am to meet, support and learn from other parents with similar experiences. The first get together will be 26th September. You are all very welcome!

As we live in a neurodiverse world, and having listened to our parent voices, we would like to set up a support group for any parent at the Sacred Heart School who either has a child with any diagnosis (this can range from Dyslexia to ASD to ADHD, Sensory Processing and anything in between) or feels that they may be on the beginning of a journey to understand some signs or symptoms in their child.

If you are a parent with a child who finds transitions hard or with a child who finds it difficult to emotionally regulate their feelings, please do come along to our next session.

## CATHOLIC LIFE - Addition to the Sacred Heart School website

As part of our work on updating our school website, you will now be able to read information about our weekly Celebration of the Word assemblies. Each week, the theme of our assembly is introduced on a Monday, and the children are asked to "Go Forth" reflecting on the message of the Gospel. Please follow the link to read more: [Celebration of the Word | Sacred Heart School](#).

Just a reminder that any parent is welcome to join our Celebration of the Word assembly on a Monday morning at 9am in the hall.

## PERFORM – DRAMA SHOW

As one of our valued partner schools, we're delighted to let you know that we are bringing our swashbuckling family musical, *Mermaids & Pirates*, to St Martin's Theatre in London's West End this summer. **Yes, this is the play that our Year 3 and Year 4 children did last year!**

This one-hour musical for the whole family is packed full of catchy songs, energetic dancing and larger-than-life characters and is a fantastic introduction to the magic of live theatre for children.

Because of our association with your school, we're pleased to offer your pupils and their families an exclusive 10% discount on tickets. Simply use the code **MERMAIDSCH10** before 17th July to redeem this limited-time offer.

**TWGGS**  
Open Morning  
2026

Year 5 Open Morning  
Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> July 2026  
10.40am to 12.30pm

Headteacher speaks at 11.30am

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To book, please use the QR code below, or visit: [www.twggs.kent.sch.uk/548/open-events](http://www.twggs.kent.sch.uk/548/open-events)

Parking is available in the nearby John Street car park. Please avoid driving down Southfield Road.

**UPLANDS ACADEMY**  
Ambition for Excellence

**Year 4 & 5 Taster Sessions**

Children in Years 4 and 5 are invited to join us at Uplands Academy for fun and inspiring secondary school taster sessions.

Try one of these exciting activities:

- HISTORY HEROES
- CREATIVE COOKS
- ART ACES
- SPORTS SQUAD
- TECH TRAILBLAZERS
- MUSIC MAKERS
- STAGE STARS
- CODE CREATORS
- NUMBER NINJAS

**Event details**

Monday 13 and Wednesday 15 July 2026  
3:30pm - 5:00pm

Booking essential  
Limited spaces available

Contact us: [openevents@uplands-academy.org](mailto:openevents@uplands-academy.org)

**Next Steps**  
Scan the QR code to book your child's place

A MARK Education Trust School

**Fauré Requiem**

Come and sing event, open to OCs, local churches and wider community

**Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> June**  
Rehearsal at 15:00 - Concert at 18:30  
Book your ticket using the QR code or go to the link:  
**BOOK TICKET ONLINE**

Mayfield

## **SAFEGUARDING**

Please report any safeguarding concerns you have directly to the one of the adults listed below.



**Mrs Johanna Collyer**  
Designated Safeguarding Lead



**Mrs Emma Nixon**  
Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead



**Mrs Antonia Gabriel**  
Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead



**Mrs Sarah Alcock**  
Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead

***If any parent or carer from Sacred Heart School has any questions to ask, concerns to raise or needs to inform the school of a situation, please feel free to approach a member of staff at any time. We operate an open-door policy here at Sacred Heart School.***