



# Coxheath Primary School Newsletter

## 24.04.2026

Dates for the diary



### **TERM 5**

28 Apr Year R Vision Test

28 Apr Year 4 Canterbury Cathedral Trip

29 Apr Year R Rare Breeds Trip  
04 May Bank Holiday  
06 May Scotney Assembly - Parents are invited to come and watch at 9am  
07 May Year 2 Wildwood Trip  
14 May Parent Council Meeting 2pm  
15 May PTA School Disco  
18 May Year 6 Bikeability Week (Mon -Fri)  
19 May Tonbridge Class Assembly -Parents are invited to come and watch at 9am  
**22 May Last Day of Term**

## **TERM 6**

### **01 Jun First Day of Term**

15 Jun Class Photos  
19 Jun PTFA Father's and Others' Day Gifts  
20 Jun PTFA School Summer Fete  
23 Jun Deal Class Assembly - Parents invited to come and watch at 9am  
03 Jul PTFA Headteacher for the Day  
07 Jul Hever Class Assembly - Parents invited to come and watch at 9am in KS1 Hall  
07 Jul Rye Class Assembly - Parents invited to come and watch at 9am in KS2 Hall  
08 Jul Practice Sports Day (Children only)  
10 Jul Sports Day (Parents invited - more information to follow)  
17 Jul Reserve Sports Day  
**21 Jul Last Day of Term**

## School Contact Information

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[ATTENDANCE@COXHEATH.KENT.SCH.UK](mailto:ATTENDANCE@COXHEATH.KENT.SCH.UK) - All absence related matters

[SENCO@COXHEATH.KENT.SCH.UK](mailto:SENCO@COXHEATH.KENT.SCH.UK) -All matters for senco

[CASC@COXHEATH.KENT.SCH.UK](mailto:CASC@COXHEATH.KENT.SCH.UK) - Extended services booking enquiries and requests

**After School Club Emergency Number 07902 520715**

[PTFA@COXHEATH.KENT.SCH.UK](mailto:PTFA@COXHEATH.KENT.SCH.UK) - All matters for the PTFA

[Curriculum Link](#)

## Head Teacher News

Welcome back to Term 5. We hope you were able to find time to relax and enjoy some quality family time together over the break. It's certainly a great feeling to be able to spend more time outside in the sunshine!

We have another busy term ahead, particularly for our Year 6 pupils, who are working towards their end of Key Stage 2 statutory assessments in the week beginning 11th May. Of course, these assessments only measure aspects of their learning in English and mathematics—they do not reflect everything that makes each child unique and special. We know how hard they have been working, and all we ask is that they try their very best.

Over the coming weeks, it is important that children attend school every day, as they will be covering key content and revisiting learning from across the KS2 curriculum in preparation for their assessments.

I am sure you will all join me in wishing Mrs Callegari the very best of luck as she takes on the challenge of the London Marathon this weekend. She has raised a significant amount of money for Demelza House and has run over 300 miles in preparation for the big day—an incredible achievement.

I am also delighted to share the wonderful news that Mrs Sargent has welcomed baby Elliot, who arrived during the first week of the Easter break. Both mum and baby are doing well, and I'm sure you will join me in sending them our warmest congratulations.

A huge thank you to Stuart Davidson from WJ South Ltd for kindly remarking all of our car parking spaces free of charge. Acts of generosity like this make a real difference, allowing school funds to be directed back into resources and provision for our children. We are very grateful for your support.

Finally, on a slightly sadder note, today marks Mrs Fullagar's last day at Coxheath Primary. Many of you will have had contact with her over the years and experienced her warmth, genuine care, and wonderful personality. Her energy, enthusiasm, and sense of humour will be greatly missed by all staff and pupils. I am sure you will join me in wishing her every success in her new role—we have no doubt she will excel.

Good luck, Mrs Fullagar—you will be missed by us all.

Giacomo Mazza

## Attendance

Year	Class Percentages					
R	Dover	98.52%	Leed	92.96%		
1	Rye	98.15%	Deal	95.93%	Hever	98.89%
2	Allington	92.34%	Thurnham	95.79%		
3	Bodiam	96.53%	Walmer	99.28%		
4	Scotney	95.83%	Tonbridge	93.06%		
5	Rochester	96.18%	Canterbury	97.02%		
6	Pevensey	97.09%	Herstmonceux	97.03%		

Congratulations to **WALMER** class for achieving the highest attendance percentage this week! 🎉

As a reward, you'll enjoy extra breaktime next week — well done for your fantastic effort and commitment.

## Raising money for The Hedgehog Children's Ward at Tunbridge Wells

Please see the below link to support Bella with raising money for Tunbridge Wells Hospital and Great Ormond Street Hospital. The goal is to provide Tunbridge Wells Hospital with more activities and toys for children like Bella who, when unwell, are confined to their rooms and can only play with the toys brought to them. If the funds surpasses the £2000 target, any additional donations will help fund clinical trials and the new children's cancer ward at Great Ormond Street Hospital.

You can donate to the JustGiving page by clicking here or by using the QR code below.

[https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/megan-sharpe?utm\\_medium=CF&utm\\_source=CL](https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/megan-sharpe?utm_medium=CF&utm_source=CL)





## Art Hub

Welcome bak to Arthub. We are pleased to announce that we have six new members from year 5. That means six times more art fun. Keep a look out for an amazingly designed recycling lorry. It has a been designed by our one and only Mrs Amazing Planck. Don't forget to get your art work into school each week and remind your teacher to leave it out for us a capture. Arthub has moved to Fridays, so get those arty pieces into school every Friday. Look out for our updates each week and follow the link to see what an arty bunch we are in Coxheath.

<https://www.flickr.com/gp/coxheath/wQ4U47j06x>

## Change to Menu 05.05.2026

**Tuesday 5th May** will have a change to the menu. The kitchen will be offering the below options. Please note that Arbor will not show this, but will still show the usual meal option for this day. Please book as usual on Arbor.

**Mac n Cheese**


**Tomato Pasta**

**Garlic Bread and Peas**

## Shortbread

### Could You Help Inspire a Love of Reading?

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At our school, we believe that reading opens the door to imagination, confidence, and a lifelong love of learning. One of the most powerful ways children develop as readers is by simply having someone sit with them, listen to them read, and encourage them along the way.

We are looking for volunteers from our community to become **Reading Ambassadors** in school. Just a little of your time each week can make a big difference to a child's confidence and enjoyment of books.

We would especially love to hear from retired members of the community, grandparents, or anyone who enjoys spending time with children and sharing stories.

As a Reading Ambassador, you will:

- Listen to children read and celebrate their progress
- Chat about stories and favourite books
- Help children feel proud and confident in their reading


No teaching experience is needed — just patience, encouragement, and a love of books.

All necessary training will be provided.

If you feel you could spare a little time and would like to be part of something truly special, please contact the school office to find out more.

Together we can help our children discover the joy of reading.

We can't wait to hear from you!



Mrs Friend – championing a love of reading in our school.

### Donations of Takeaway Containers

The Art Department is still looking for any spare takeaway containers with lids. If you have any available, please bring them into your child's class or drop them off at the office. Thank you!

# Spring/Summer Dinner Menu

## LUNCH Week 1

W/C 23/02, 16/03, 13/04, 04/05, 25/05, 15/06, 06/07

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MAIN 1	Creamy Mac n Cheese (V)	Chicken Burger in a Bun & Wedges	Roast Chicken with Roast Potatoes	Sausage Pasta, Garlic Bread	Fish Fingers with Chips
MAIN 2	Roasted Tomato Pasta Bake (V)	Southern Bakes Haloumi Burger & Wedges (V)	Summer Quiche, Roast Potatoes (V)	Veggie Sausage Pasta Bake (V)	(N) Pizza Pinwheel, Chips (V)
VEG	Garlic Bread & Peas (VE)	Sweetcorn (VE)	Carrots and Cabbage (VE)	Broccoli (VE)	Carrots & Peas or Baked Beans (VE)
3RD OPTION	Jacket Potatoes	Jacket Potatoes	Jacket Potatoes	Jacket Potatoes	Jacket Potatoes
DESSERT	Freshly Baked Shortbread (VE)	Jelly (V)	Chocolate Sponge with Chocolate Sauce (V)	(N) Poches & Meringue Yoghurt Fool (V)	Ice Cream

AVAILABLE DAILY: A selection of fresh seasonal fruit (cut or whole), flavoured yoghurts as well as freshly baked bread & seasonal salad bar. This option includes vegan and vegetarian items.

MENU KEY V Vegetarian VE Vegan (no animal products) N New Dish

## LUNCH Week 2

W/C 02/03, 23/03, 20/04, 11/05, 01/06, 22/06, 13/07

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MAIN 1	Veggie Burger with Wedges	BBQ Chicken & Rice	Roast Chicken & Roast Potatoes	Traditional Beef Lasagne	Sausage & Chips
MAIN 2	Veggie Sausage Rolls with Wedges (V)	Sweet Potato & Chickpea Curry & Rice (VE)	Sticky Tomato Tart & Roast Potatoes (VE)	Hearty Spaghetti & Meatballs, Focaccia (V)	Beans & Cheese Pasty with Chips
VEG	Baked Beans (VE)	Broccoli (VE)	Fresh Carrots & Cabbage (VE)	Roasted Vegetables (VE)	Carrots & Peas or Baked Beans (VE)
3RD OPTION	Jacket Potatoes	Jacket Potatoes	Jacket Potatoes	Jacket Potatoes	Jacket Potatoes
DESSERT	Freshly Baked Cookie (VE)	Fruity Jelly Crunch Pot (V)	Peach Crumble & Custard (V)	Lime & Coconut Sponge (VE)	Fruit Cheesecake (V)

AVAILABLE DAILY: A selection of fresh seasonal fruit (cut or whole), flavoured yoghurts as well as freshly baked bread & seasonal salad bar. This option includes vegan and vegetarian items.

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## LUNCH Week 3

W/C 09/03, 30/03, 27/04, 18/05, 08/06, 29/06, 20/07

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MAIN 1	Cheese & Tomato Pizza (V)	Chicken Steaks with BBQ Sauce & Wedges	Roast Chicken & Roast Potatoes	Pasta Bolognese Focaccia	Fish Fingers & Chips
MAIN 2	Gnocchi Shells with Tomato Sauce (VE)	Chili Bean Tortilla Stack (VE)	(N) Summer Veg Tacos (VE) & Roast Potatoes	Tomato Pasta Bake	Crispy Quorn Nuggets & Chips (VE)
VEG	Green Beans (VE)	Sweetcorn (VE)	Fresh Carrots & Peas (VE)	Broccoli (VE)	Peas or Baked Beans (VE)
3RD OPTION	Jacket Potatoes	Jacket Potatoes	Jacket Potatoes	Jacket Potatoes	Jacket Potatoes
DESSERT	Chocolate Cornflake Cake (VE)	Ginger Cake (VE)	Jelly (VE)	(N) Caramel Mousse (V)	(N) Ked School Cake (VE)

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## Extended Services – Advance Booking Required

Due to limited spaces, we kindly ask all parents and carers to ensure they book Extended Services sessions in advance. If you have not made a booking and require a last-minute place, please email [casc@coxheath.kent.sch.uk](mailto:casc@coxheath.kent.sch.uk).

Mrs Knibbs will confirm whether a space is available. Thank you for your support and cooperation.

## 2026/2027 Term Dates



### ACADEMIC YEAR 2026-27

<b>Term 1</b>	
01.09.2026	Staff Training Day
02.09.2026	Start School
15.10.2026	Last Day of Term
16.10.2026	Staff Training Day
<b>Term 2</b>	
02.11.2026	Start School
18.12.2026	Last day of Term
<b>Term 3</b>	
04.01.2027	Staff Training Day
05.01.2027	Start School
12.02.2027	Last Day of Term
<b>Term 4</b>	
22.02.2027	Start School
25.03.2027	Last Day of Term
<b>Term 5</b>	
12.04.2027	Start School
03.05.2027	Bank Holiday
28.05.2027	Last Day of Term
<b>Term 6</b>	
07.06.2027	Start School
21.07.2027	Last Day of Term
Staff training days are dates when the children do not attend school	

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## External Clubs held at Coxheath School

### External Clubs

Gymnastics Club      Monday

Sama Karate Club      Thursday

Irish Dancing      Friday

Make Time for Music      During school hours

Rock Steady      Thursday in school

Please see Coxheath school website or notice board for more information.

<https://www.coxheath.kent.sch.uk/page/?title=External+Clubs&pid=315>

**ROCK STEADY**

# ROCK AND POP BAND LESSONS!

**TAKES PLACE AT SCHOOL**

**IGNITE THEIR INNER SPARK!**

- 🎸 Children learn to play an instrument in their very own band.
- 🎵 Fun and inclusive in-school band lessons. No music theory involved.
- 📱 Follow their musical journey in your Backstage account.
- 📄 Exam-free, Ofqual-regulated Trinity music qualification.
- 🎧 Instruments provided and no experience necessary.

**BOOK YOUR CHILD'S PLACE ONLINE!**



0330 113 0330 (Mon-Thurs 8am-9pm, Fri 8am-9pm, local rate) [rocksteadymusicschool.com](http://rocksteadymusicschool.com)

## Community News



### [Community News](#)

#### **Loddington Farm**

We are opening the farm for the long weekends of May again and would like everyone to come and enjoy a wonder around our farm trail, visiting the piglets, chickens and our very busy bee hives along the way.

We are very excited to show the children the world of farming and how vital it is to our environment.

Please click the link below to learn more about Loddington Farm and its events.

[Events | Loddington Farm | Regenerative Farm in Kent](#)

\*Suggested donation, children are free  
Dogs not allowed on site



**Dandelion  
Time**



# MAY FAYRE

**11AM - 3PM**  
SATURDAY 9TH MAY

**£3**  
ENTRY

**GAMES & CRAFTS | TOMBOLA | MEET OUR ANIMALS  
LIVE MUSIC | REFRESHMENTS | AND MORE!**

*We're delighted to be joined by:*



DANDELION TIME, CHARLTON LANE, WEST FARLEIGH, ME15 0NY



**COXHEATH  
CAKE SHED**

Self service cakes and bakes

Simply come along, choose your items and  
pay via the QR code at the Cake Shed

Opening times  
Fridays 12pm - 5pm  
Saturday 10am - 5pm  
\*Easter weekend\*

Open Sunday and Monday from 10am!

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@Cake My Day



**67 Pembroke  
Road**





**CROSSROADS**  
CARE KENT

# Volunteers Needed

**Ready to make a real  
difference?**

Help us transform the  
lives of local young  
people by volunteering  
at our term-time Young  
Carer's Club!



In this role, you will:

- ✔ Offer Emotional Support
- ✔ Support fun & engaging activities
- ✔ Help to build confidence & social skills



Join our **Maidstone** Young Carers Club!

**When:** Mondays/Wednesdays  
5 - 7pm or 5.30 - 7.30pm

**Where:** Shepway Community  
Centre, Cumberland Avenue,  
Maidstone, ME15 7JN

APPLY NOW



Please contact us at:  
[enquiries@crossroadskent.org](mailto:enquiries@crossroadskent.org)

# Wellbeing



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**OSI COULD HELP YOU**

OSI (Online Support and Intervention) is an online platform designed to help parents to learn tools and techniques to help their child (aged 5 to 12 years old) to overcome difficulties with anxiety.

Parents work through weekly online modules that contain videos, quizzes, and interactive worksheets. Parents are also supported by a weekly telephone/video call appointment with a practitioner.

You can access OSI at a convenient time for you using any electronic device!



**HOW TO ACCESS OSI**

If your child attends one of our schools and you feel OSI would be helpful for you and your child, please scan the QR code which will take you to our website and the OSI self-referral form.

Alternatively, if you would like to discuss this further with someone or would like to consider alternative support, please speak with the Senior Mental Health Lead in your child's school.

- We are kind.
- We are respectful.
- We work together with our communities.

**Support for Slide Away**

Slide Away is very proud of the support it has offered to bereaved children, young people, their families and schools since 2004.

For a nominal annual subscription, schools can subscribe to access our free services. However, we could not continue our work without the generous support of individuals, groups, schools, businesses, funds and trusts.

- It costs Slide Away about £300 to support every child referred to us. A donation of:
- £5 would pay for a photo frame for children to decorate;
  - £7.50 would pay for the book chosen by each child at our workshops;
  - £10 would pay for their snowy bear and all the crafting materials they use;
  - £25 would fund the refreshments at a workshop

You can get involved and support Slide Away by:

- Volunteering
- Fundraising, by running a marathon or holding a Silly Socks day
- Donating by scanning the QR code below or by visiting our website for more options



**How to refer a child or young person to Slide Away**

Slide Away takes its referrals from schools. For further information please get in touch.

Home schooled children can be referred by a member of the KCC Home Education Team.

**Contact us**

www.slideaway.org  
www.projecteileen.co.uk  
info@slideaway.org  
projecteileen@slideaway.org  
01703 997715

Find us on social media  
@slideawaycharity | #project-eileen-cic  
@slideawaycharity @project\_eileen



"I have learnt not to hide my feelings away."



Helping bereaved young people get back on their feet

Slide Away offers support to children and young people living in or attending school in Kent who have been bereaved of a family member or friend.



Slide Away is a registered charity  
Charity No: 1134531  
Company Registration No: 07246017

Slide Away was founded in memory of Daniel Ross

**Support for bereaved children and young people**

Following the death of a family member or friend, young people need to have their loss acknowledged and their feelings recognised and to be given opportunities to hold onto the memories of the person who has died.

To support children and young people and to help them understand and manage their grief, we offer Workshops for those bereaved of a parent or sibling and Memory Days for those bereaved of another family member or friend.

Please get in touch for further information on our one-to-one counselling service.



"Your workshops have always been at the right pitch level and support for our pupils. They have all gained so much from the range of activities you offer and the awareness that it is ok to talk openly about loss."

**Pre-bereavement support for children and young people**

When a child is facing the death of someone close to them, their needs will be similar to those of adults, but they may find it difficult to express what they are feeling.

Through consultation, Slide Away provides advice and guidance to help the School Bereavement Contact support pupils who have a parent or sibling with a life-limiting illness.

**Support for the family**

To help adults understand their child's grief and encourage communication within the family, Slide Away provides sessions for parents and carers. For more information, please get in touch.



"I loved making the memory jar to make memories of my mum."

**Support for schools**

Slide Away has always recognised the vital role the school community has in supporting bereaved pupils. All referrals to Slide Away must come through the school's appointed School Bereavement Contact, a staff member who has received training from Slide Away.

- To support schools Slide Away:
- Offers "Tool Kit" induction training to newly appointed School Bereavement Contacts
  - Offers School Bereavement Contacts access to our British Psychological Society approved training
  - Is available for telephone advice and guidance
  - Offers regular online drop-in sessions to answer questions and offer advice
  - Project Eileen grief and loss resources for secondary school PSHE

**Project Eileen**  
Part of the Slide Away family

Project Eileen offers free, flexible, multimedia lessons and resources to secondary schools to help teenagers learn about and cope with bereavement and grief.



PROJECT EILEEN

[Coxheath X Account](#) - @coxheathprimary

