



Headteacher News

We are aware that our children live in a rapidly changing world and interestingly statisticians claim that 80% of jobs our children will do in the future have not been invented. Our new global curriculum is developing well and will provide a wide range of learning experiences that prepare children with the skills they will need to be successful in the 21st Century. If you have a specific skill or talent that you could share with the children to enrich our curriculum, please do let us know.

With darkness getting closer to the times children arrive and leave school, we are aware of the extra need for our children to be seen and know how to be safe near roads. We are delighted that many children walk, cycle or ride scooters to school; however, we would like to remind you that the road outside school is very busy so please ensure that your children are supervised when they come to school and go home.

Following our recent reminders about attendance and uniform expectations, I would like to thank everyone for modelling our values and ensuring that the children are on time and are in school to learn and flourish every day. Please feel free to catch us on the playground / paths in the mornings or at the end of the day should you have any questions that you would like to ask. We believe passionately in working together and would encourage you all to speak with your child's class teacher should you have any concerns. Class teachers are always available to catch up with you after school at the classroom door, or please do make an appointment to meet with the teacher via the office if you prefer. Your class representatives are also available should you wish to raise concerns or feedback anything that is going well.

Have a great weekend.

Giacomo Mazza

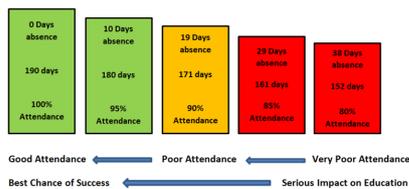
Good attendance means...



Being in school at least 95% of the time (180-190 days a year)

There are 365 days in a year and 190 days in a school year.

This leaves 175 days for holidays, shopping, birthday treats and non-urgent medical appointments.



Dates



Please see dates below

Events for parents are identified in red.

Term 2

- 25 Nov - Uniform Sale 3.15pm - Meeting room
- 25-28 Nov - Travelling books in school
- 26 Nov - Thurnham Class Assembly KS1 Hall 9am - families invited
- 27 Nov - Cake and biscuit sale (see below for details)
- 29 Nov - Handwriting workshop KS1 Hall 2.45-3.10pm

03 Dec - Trust coffee afternoon - 2.15pm

- 06 Dec - Parent Council meeting 2.15pm
- 06 Dec - PTA Disco (details to follow)
- 10 Dec - Year R Nativity to parents 9.30am
- 11 Dec - Year R Nativity to parents 2.00pm (no siblings)
- 13 Dec - Christmas Jumper Day! £1 donation
- 13 Dec - PTA Christmas raffle draw & coffee morning 9am - KS1 Hall
- 17 Dec - Children's Christmas Lunch!
- 18 Dec - Christmas Services Holy Trinity Church - families invited
- 18 Dec - Open Afternoon 2.30pm
- 18 Dec - Last day of term - children back to school Tues 7th January 2020

Term 3

- 06 Jan - Staff training day - school closed
- 07 Jan - Children back to school
- 21 Jan - Scotney Class Assembly KS2 Hall 9am - families invited
- 24 Jan - Young Voices trip to the O2 arena
- 28 Jan - Tonbridge Class Assembly KS2 Hall 9am - families invited

- 11 Feb - Parents Evening 4.40pm - 7.00pm
- 12 Feb - Parents Evening 3.30pm - 6.00pm
- 14 Feb - Staff training day - school closed.

Term 4

- 24 Feb - Children back to school

- 10 Mar - Bodiam class assembly KS2 Hall 9am - families invited
- 17 Mar - Walmer class assembly KS2 Hall 9am - families invited

Cake and Biscuit Sale

On Wednesday 27th November, Year 5 will be running a cake and biscuit sale during the day. They are running this so that the money raised can go towards projects in class. Cakes will cost 50p and biscuits (to ice and decorate with sweets) £1. Children will need to bring some change with them to school that day. Everyone will be able to buy one cake and biscuit and then any spare will be on sale after school. Many thanks, Year 5 teachers

After School Club - Job Vacancy

Our After School Club is expanding and we have a vacancy for an energetic and lively After School Club Assistant to join our team. This is a part time role across 3 days, term time only. There is an opportunity to work additional hours during the holidays at the Coppice Primary Partnership Holiday Play Scheme which is run at Loose Primary School. For further information please see the website <https://www.kent-teach.com/Recruitment/Vacancy/VacancyDetails.aspx?VacancyId=75998>

Christmas Holiday Play Scheme Bookings

If you would like your child to attend our Holiday Play Scheme please visit the Loose Primary School website and make your booking for the sessions required. <http://www.loose-primary.kent.sch.uk/form/?pid=13&form=19> If your child has not attended our play scheme before, please could you also provide us with a Holiday Play scheme Registration form together with a Medical form. Both documents can be found on our website under the Online Office/Extended Services section, or pick them up from the reception desk.

Absence

Please can we remind parents that you must call the school office no later than 9am if your child is going to be absent from school. There is an absence line available to leave a message should you wish to use it. Please 'press 1 for attendance' on the system options. Using this will save us making any unnecessary calls to parents to find out why children are not in school. Thank you.

Weekly Attendance

Dover	83%	Leeds	94%
Hever	94%	Rye	93%
Allington	93%	Thurnham	95%
Bodiam	99%	Walmer	94%
Scotney	98%	Tonbridge	96%
Rochester	98%	Canterbury	90%
Herstmonceux	94%	Pevensey	100%

Whole School Target
97%

Whole School Attendance
94%

Handwriting workshop - 29th November

This workshop is aimed at parents who would like support and guidance on how handwriting is taught from a young age. I will show you how each letter is formed and will give you some ideas on ways to support your children at home. Thank you. Mrs Fitzgerald

Children's Christmas Lunch

If your child would like to have a Christmas themed lunch on Tuesday 17th December, please complete and return the order slip which was sent out earlier this week. Copies are available from the school office. The cost of this meal will be £2.25, payment envelopes are available from the school reception desk.

Please Note: If your child usually has school dinners/free school meals you will still need to complete the order form. Please return all forms by Friday 29th November. Thank you



School Office – delivery of forgotten items

Please do not drop off forgotten items for the office staff to deliver to your child after the start of the school day. Children should be encouraged to take responsibility for their own things. Please note that if non-essential items are left with office staff during the day, we cannot guarantee that these will be delivered. This will depend on pressure of work in the office on the day. Clearly we will ensure that essential items, such as lunch boxes, are delivered to the child. Our thanks to all parents who have supported office staff in this matter, your help is much appreciated.

The Sun - Books for Schools

We are collecting the 'Books for Schools' tokens which are being printed in The Sun newspaper. If we manage to reach the target, we will be able to claim 106 Collins Big Cat books suitable for our children in Year R and Year 1. Please either send your tokens in with your child or drop them into the reception desk. Thank you.



Uniform Recycling Shop

Don't forget our uniform recycling shop will be here for the first time on Monday 25th November from 3.15pm in the Meeting room.

Dogs on Site

Please remember that only assistance dogs are allowed on the school site. No other dogs are allowed on site, including cute puppies or small dogs. Thank you for your co-operation

PTA News

The PTA will be holding a Christmas raffle this term! We would like to be able to offer a selection of hampers as prizes, and we are asking for donations of non-perishable items. If any items could be dropped in to reception before 6th December, this would be very helpful. We can also accept perishable goods such as cakes, mince pies and fragile items on 6th December. All donations are welcome! Thank you for your support.

Design a Logo Competition

Over the next two weeks, we (the house captains) are running a competition. We would like pupils to design a logo for their house. It should have something linked with the colour and name of the house ideally (Loose- Red, Hunton-Yellow, Linton- Green and Farleigh-Blue). The designs should not be any bigger than A4 and should have their name, house and class written on the back. The entries should be passed to the class teachers who will send them for collection in the office. Every pupil who submits an entry will get a house point for their team and then winning and runner up entries will get 10 and 5 house points. **The last date for entries to come in is Wednesday 4th December.**
The House Captains

Thurnham Class Assembly

A reminder that Thurnham Class are having their class assembly next Tuesday, 26th November, at 9am in the KS1 Hall. Families are welcome to come along and watch. Please sign in and get your visitor badge in the KS1 hall once you have dropped the children to class.

Poppy Appeal 2019

Coxheath Primary School raised an amazing £588.74 for this years Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal. Thank you for all your donations.

Travelling books

We are very pleased to be welcoming Travelling books to Coxheath Primary School for our Winter Book Fair next week. This is a great opportunity to stock up on some super holiday reading books, or Christmas presents, with some of our favourite characters. From Monday 25th November until Thursday 28th November, the Travelling book fair will be based in the Meeting room (access is from the outside door between Scotney & Bodiam classrooms). It will start at 3.15pm everyday. Children should have brought a leaflet about the book fair home last week.



Primary School Admissions

Online applications for primary school admissions in September 2020 will close on 15th January 2020. Full information and online applications are available at kent.gov.uk/primaryadmissions If you require a paper application form or information booklet call 03000 412121 it can also be found at www.kent.gov.uk/primaryschoolleaflet

Playground - end of school day

We would ask that parents/carers leave the school site promptly once they have collected their children. At the moment some parents are waiting while their children play in the playground. This is a safeguarding issue as there are after school clubs using the school grounds too. Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.

Parking on the school site

A reminder that only Blue Badge holders are allowed to drive on to the school site to bring in and collect their children. If the Blue Badge holder is not in the vehicle, it must not be driven on to the school site. Those attending Breakfast Club can access the car park until 8.15am, please make sure you use the visitor parking spaces and not the staff parking.

Communities

The Old Post Office Coffee House Marden and Forty Seven Gift shop are presenting a festive open evening on **23rd of November from 6pm till 8pm**, where all are welcome. Complimentary mulled wine, sausage rolls and mince pies, shall be available while browsing at the bespoke gift shop 47 and enjoying the view of Marden at night at the Cafe. Find Us on High Street in Marden TN12 9DP, or more information visit our Facebook page @coffeeshousemarden. Looking forward to your company.

Nearly New Sale Kent - Saturday 30th November, 2pm – 4pm at Cornwallis Academy, Hubbards Lane, ME17 4HX. Come along and grab some bargains for Christmas! We have 1000's of great quality toys, baby & children's items, all indoors and sorted into ages (up to 16 years), gender & categories for a stress free shopping experience. FREE Parking. Entry £1 for adults, children are free.