



Headteacher News

It is incredible to think that we are already nearly half way through term 1. Although a little tired, our reception children have embraced their full days and are enjoying all the wonderful learning opportunities.

On the 11th of September, the school marked its 60th year since its official opening. We feel it is important that the children, staff and school community celebrate this milestone. Later in the year, we plan to hold a celebration day where the whole school community can be involved. Although this is still in the early stages of planning, we hope this will be a large outdoor event in the summer term when we hope the weather will be on our side! As part of this celebration, we would love to speak to anyone in the community who attended the school during this time. It would be wonderful if the children could capture life at Coxheath Primary since its opening in 1963. If this is something you think you could help with, please contact the school office and we will get back to you. We are also looking for some parent volunteers who would be willing to join a working party to plan the day. Please give your parent council rep your name if this is something you would like to be involved in.

Our first parent council minutes are published on the website. One of the points raised was that there is often not enough time to arrange time off work if you have been invited to attend Learner of the week Assembly for your child. You will now receive a text on a Friday instead of Wednesday, which will give you a week to make the necessary arrangements to attend.

Please can I remind all parents collecting children from the KS1 playground to wait on the tarmac area and not on the path. This is creating a bottleneck and prevents parents from using the path to get year R classrooms. Have a wonderful weekend.

Giacomo Mazza
Headteacher

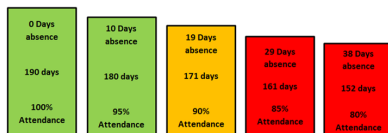
Good attendance means...



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.



Good Attendance ← Poor Attendance ← Very Poor Attendance
Best Chance of Success ← Serious Impact on Education

Dates

Please see dates and times below
Events for parents are identified in red.
PTA events are identified in purple.

Academic Year 2022-2023

Term 1 - 2023

- 03 Oct - Tonbridge Class Assembly
- 06 Oct - Yr R Online Phonics Workshop for Parents
- 09 Oct - Year R Biscuit Bear Bake Off and after school biscuit sale
- 10 Oct - Scotney Class Assembly
- 12 Oct - Individual and sibling photographs
- 13 Oct - Safeguarding meeting for volunteers
- 17 Oct - Parents Evening 4.30 - 7.00pm
- 19 Oct - Parents Evening 3.45 - 6.15pm
- 19 Oct - Last day of Term
- 20 Oct - Inset Day

Term 2—2023

- 30 Oct - First Day of Term
- 31 Oct - Year 4 trip to Horton Kirby
- 01 Nov - New Parent Tours 9.30-10.30am and 1.30-2.30pm
- 02 Nov - New Parent Tours 9.30-10.30am, 1.30-2.30pm and 6.00-7.00pm
- 03 Nov - New Parent Tours 10.00-11.00am and 1.30-2.30pm
- 09 Nov - Parent Council Meeting 2.00 - 3.00pm
- 16 Nov - Bodiam Assembly
- 21 Nov - Whole School Flu Immunisation
- 30 Nov - Walmer Assembly
- 08 Dec - Thank you party for volunteers
- 15 Dec - Last day of Term. Open afternoon 2.30pm

Term 3 - 2024

- 02 Jan - Trust INSET day
- 03 Jan - First day of term for children
- 15 Jan - Young Voices
- 16 Jan - Thurnham Class Assembly
- 30 Jan - Allington Class Assembly
- 06 Feb - Parents Evening 4.30-7.00pm
- 08 Feb - Parents Evening 3.45-6.15pm
- 09 Feb - Last day of term

Contact Us

casc@coxheath.kent.sch.uk - please use this email address for **ALL** extended services bookings/queries/ requests etc. Please do not email the office with these.
attendance@coxheath.kent.sch.uk - please use this email for all absence and related matters including illness and hospital appointments and holiday notifications.
office@coxheath.kent.sch.uk - use this for all other emails and urgent matters.



Weekly Attendance

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| Dover | 98.33% | Leeds | 99.00% |
| Hever | 98.33% | Rye | 94.33% |
| Allington | 96.33% | Thurnham | 93.00% |
| Walmer | 99.33% | Bodiam | 98.67% |
| Tonbridge | 92.58% | Scotney | 97.19% |
| Rochester | 97.81% | Canterbury | 92.81% |
| Herstmonceux | 94.84% | Pevensey | 89.69% |

School Target
97%
Whole School Attendance
96.51%

Reminders for Parents and Carers

Gate times

Please be reminded, the school gate will be opening at **8.35am** and closing at **8.45am** each morning.

Emailing into school

We are still receiving emails in to the school without child's full name and class. Please can you include this information.

PTA facebook



The PTA have a facebook page, please follow this to find out information on upcoming events.

Children's belongings

Please can you ensure that children bring in all their belongings with them in the mornings, including water bottles, PE bags etc. so not to disrupt class teaching.

KS1 Pick up end of day

Please can all parents / carers of KS1 Children in Dover, Hever and Thurnham class wait on the playground at pick up end of day. This is to stop the pathway getting too overcrowded.

Dover Class Parent Representative

We still do not have a parent representative for Dover class. Being a representative entails attending one meeting every term, 2-3pm. It is a chance for you to bring feedback and ideas on behalf of your child's class to the meeting. If you would like to do this role, please get in touch with the school office.

Volunteering in school

If you would like to volunteer in school this year by supporting with reading, going on school trips, visits to the library etc. you need to have a DBS certificate completed by the school and you also need to attend a short Safeguarding meeting lead by Mrs Evenden. Our next Safeguarding meeting is on Friday 13th October at 2.30pm.

National Trust

Visit a National Trust place free of charge this autumn. Each free visit ticket is single use and available to for up to for two adults and up to three children, or one adult and up to four children at a participating place we care for. Valid from 18 September until 20 October 2023. One ticket per household per order. If the link below does not work, then please copy in to your browser.

<https://www.nationaltrust-tickets.org.uk/category/33543?branches.branchID=2286>



House Points Total

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| Farleigh | 600 | Loose | 522 |
| Linton | 335 | Hunton | 511 |



Learner of the Week
Congratulations to everyone who received their certificate today!

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| Dover | - | Leeds | - |
| Hever | Joshua | Rye | Alexandra |
| Allington | Bonnie | Thurnham | Lucy |
| Walmer | Mia | Bodiam | Jade |
| Tonbridge | Mya | Scotney | Charlie |
| Rochester | William | Canterbury | Elsie |
| Pevensey | Mason | Herstmonceux | Tom |

Workshops

Please see upcoming parent workshops which will be facilitated by the Emotional Wellbeing Support Team during Term 1 and 2. Posters with more information are on the Coxheath website (under School Information, Wellbeing) with links on each poster for you to access.

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| Understanding Your Child's Behaviour | 04/10/23 5.30-7.30pm |
| Understanding Sleep and Autism | 16/10/23 12.30-2.30pm |
| Understanding ADHD in Children | 30/10/23 5.30-7.30pm |
| Understanding Resilience | 13/11/23 10.30am-12.30pm |
| Supporting Your Child with Worries & Fears | 28/11/23 5.30-7.30pm |
| Introduction to Understanding Autism | 13/12/23 10am-12pm |

**Workshop times alternate from term to term*

Parent Support Group

Please see information regarding the next Parent Support Group on Friday 29th September. This poster can also be found on the Coxheath website.



Stage Coach

Join Stagecoach Maidstone West for a 2 day jam packed performing arts workshop. There will be singing, dancing and drama, all with a spooky twist. The 2 days are discounted for all Coxheath students at £55 and this covers both days. Tuesday 24th October and Wednesday 25th October, 10am - 4pm. For more information or to book a place now please visit our Website;

www.stagecoach.co.uk/maidstonewest

or call Sarah on 01622 535307

