



Headteacher News

It is hard to believe we are at the end of our first term. The children have worked incredibly hard and their behaviour for learning continues to impress us all. Our new Year R children have settled so well and it was delightful to see their confidence this week when they performed in front of so many adults. We have also seen some wonderful assemblies this term celebrating their learning as well as special events. We are fortunate to work with wonderful children and a supportive school community.

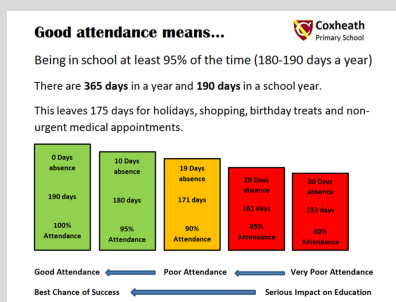
Thank you for attending the parent consultation sessions this week. Our partnership with you truly develops a child's learning in a positive way. Should you wish to have further discussions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Today teachers and support staff were fortunate to receive training on autism from the Kent Educational Psychology Service. The training centred around gaining a deeper understanding of autism and the strengths and differences pupils with autism may experience. It also offered practical support and strategies that can be used to ensure that we continue to develop an ethos and environment that fosters social inclusion for all pupils. Teachers have also been busy updating the curriculum pages on our website with the spellings and areas of new learning for next term Coxheath Primary School - Year Groups. The website can be a good starting point to talk to your child about their learning. I am sure that many of you will get the same response that I receive from both my girls when I ask them what they have been learning – 'not much!'

The first week back after half term, we will be holding parent tours for our prospective new parents that will join in September 2024. The school continues to grow both in size and popularity and is oversubscribed. In the past, this has resulted in children who live close to the school not being able to secure a place. As part of the KCC commissioning plan, they forecast birth rates and demand on school places. It is predicted that there will not be enough places for Coxheath children in the coming years and therefore a consultation on expansion will be commencing on the 13th November, with Coxheath Primary school offering an additional 30 places via a bulge year in September 2024. More information will be shared via the consultation process.

I hope you all find some time to relax and enjoy some quality family time and we look forward to welcoming everyone back on Monday 30th October.

Giacomo Mazza
Headteacher



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 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
- 13 Nov - Odd Socks Day
- 16 Nov - Bodiam Assembly
- 17 Nov - Non school uniform for KS1 - chocolate KS2 - alcohol
- 21 Nov - Whole School Flu Immunisation
- 25 Nov - PTA Festive Fayre
- 29 Nov - Year 5 Trip to The Observatory Science Centre
- 30 Nov - Walmer Assembly
- 05 Dec - Reception nativity 9.30am TBC
- 07 Dec - Reception nativity (no siblings) 2.00pm TBC
- 08 Dec - Thank you party for volunteers 2pm
- 13 Dec - Church service YR and Y6 parents
- 15 Dec - Non uniform - Christmas theme / Christmas lunch/ 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.

senco@coxheath.kent.sch.uk - use this new email for contacting Mrs Grimley

Gate times

Please be reminded, the school gate will open from 8.35am and close at 8.45am each morning.

Extended services

Please ensure that all outstanding balances for extended services are cleared.



Weekly Attendance

Dover	98.33%	Leeds	86.25%
Hever	93.33%	Rye	94.58%
Allington	90.83%	Thurnham	91.67%
Walmer	93.75%	Bodiam	95.83%
Tonbridge	97.58%	Scotney	94.14%
Rochester	91.41%	Canterbury	91.41%
Herstmonceux	92.58%	Pevensy	93.15%

School Target
97%
Whole School Attendance
93.20%

Eco tip of the week

Did you know that using the search engine Ecosia will help to plant more trees in the world? Why not swap and help improve our planet.



Netball

Well we beat the rain and had a great coaching session at Boughton Monchelsea. The whole club managed to get time on court playing in different positions to experience the first 'live' games. Each player did really well, showing great sportsmanship, agility, and a fantastic understanding of netball. Although the objective was to use their new skills to look for areas that need continued work during Thursday club nights, they won one, drew one and came second in another. I think parents will agree it was a great start to the season, well done everyone. Thank you to the parents that made it happen and supported from the sidelines. League games start next term and we have already agreed further training sessions with other schools.

Photographer

On Monday the 6th November we will be welcoming a photographer to the school to provide new images for us to use around the school, in our brochure and on our website. We will use the permission slip you completed when your child started with us to inform us if your child can feature in these pictures or not. Please ensure your child wears the correct items of uniform to school on this day.

Poppies

We have been provided with various Poppy items. Items can be purchased in the main school reception or on the gate at the end of the day. They will be available up until the 14th November 2023.

- Slapbands - £1.50
- Rubber bracelets - £1.00
- Zip pulls - £1.00
- Poppy reflectors - £1.00
- Paper poppies - any donations



House Points Total

Farleigh	491	Loose	319
Linton	259	Hunton	326

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



Dover	-	Leeds	-
Hever	Back after half term	Rye	Back after half term
Allington	Back after half term	Thurnham	Back after half term
Walmer	Back after half term	Bodiam	Back after half term
Tonbridge	Back after half term	Scotney	Back after half term
Rochester	Back after half term	Canterbury	Back after half term
Pevensy	Back after half term	Herstmonceux	Back after half term

Anti Bullying Week

To start Anti Bullying week, we will have Odd socks day on Monday 13th November.



PTA Festive Fayre- Save the date

On Saturday 25th November we would like you to join us our 'Festive Fayre' from 11am-2pm. There will be raffles, face painting, outside traders, food and drink, festive themed games, a teddy tombola, special performances from the school choir and Stage Coach and let's not forget Santa will be in his grotto. More details will follow. Please save the date and support our lovely school. If you are available to help us for part of the fayre or if you are a business owner and would like to sell your products, please let us know.

Maidstone Wing Chun Kung Fu

See poster on how to book a FREE trial to learn Martial Arts, Self-defence and fitness.

The Contract Dining Company

The Contract Dining Company are looking to recruit in all areas for kitchen assistants and cook managers, to work within their primary schools.

Hours are term time only, so if you would be interested in joining a great team, please contact our office Manager; Petra Thorpe 01622 890922



Harry Potter Book Night Event

See poster for an event in October at Kent History and Library Centre in Maidstone.



Harry Potter Book Night Event
Join us for a free spotlighting event to celebrate in the October Half Term!
Friday 27 October from 9:30am - midday
Kent History and Library Centre in Maidstone
Curlie activities available all morning to keep the whole family entertained!
Wizards dressing up encouraged, prizes available for our favourite!
For more information speak to a member of staff or visit www.kenthistory.com