



Weekly Bulletin

W/C 15th Sept 2025

Whole School

Moments Matter, Attendance Counts - Our target is for children to attend school every day; a target of 100%. If you view Arbor you will be able to see your child's attendance. If it is below 96% we will start to monitor their attendance.

Please remember holiday requests will be unauthorised and penalty notices will be issued. Please refer to our new Attendance Policy on the school website which includes the new government rules.

Overall attendance for this week is: 98.6%

FG	FT	1G	1T	2G	2T	3G	3T	4G	4T	5G	5T	6G	6T
100%	98.3%	97%	99.6%	99.6%	98.4%	98.3%	100%	97.9%	98.4%	99.2%	98.3%	100%	96.7%

Absences - Please remember that all absences MUST be reported to the school each day unless otherwise agreed. Absences can be reported preferably by the Arbor portal or via the absence line or an email. This is part of our absence and safeguarding policies. Home visits will take place if we have not had any communication from parents. **Please also ensure that Arbor contains at least 3 emergency numbers for your child.**



Our suave (sophisticated) word of the week is: **loyal**

Does your child understand the meaning of this word? Can they use this word in a sentence?

Can they spell the suave word? How many times can they use the word throughout the week in their speech or writing?



If you'd like to keep up to date with the **Friends' Association** please feel free to follow them on their various social media groups:

<https://www.facebook.com/FriendsofGreatChartPrimarySchool>

<https://www.instagram.com/friendsofgreatchartprimary>

Next Friends' Association Meeting: Tuesday 23rd September

Friends' Association Survey 2025

The Friends' Association have once again been working really hard over the year to support the staff and pupils of Great Chart Primary School. They would welcome your feedback to help them review their plans for next year.

Many thanks for your time. [Feedback form](#)

Asthma and Medical Needs



As we begin a new school year please ensure relevant information regarding asthma and medical needs is updated on Arbor. It is essential that we have the information to keep everyone safe. Although we do not routinely administer medicine in school we understand some pupils may need emergency medication on site. Please complete this form if your child has a medical need that means we will need to have emergency medication in school. This information will be kept securely and shared with relevant staff only. Please note it is the parent/carer's responsibility to check expiry dates of any medication.

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If your child has asthma please also complete the asthma survey to ensure our register is up to date. Pupils who need an inhaler in school will have them in their classrooms. Please ensure they are clearly labelled.

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Wednesday 24th September - Individual & Sibling School Photos

Please ensure your child comes into school wearing the correct school uniform.

Friday 26th September - Harvest Festival

On Friday 26th September we will be holding our Harvest Service. We will once again be supporting the Ashford Family Food Bank. If you would like to make any donations we would be most grateful. Please send in any donations from **Monday 22nd September**. Below is a list of suggestions:

- Tinned Meat (Curry, Chilli, Meat Balls, Hot Dogs, Pies, etc.)
- Tinned Veg (Peas, Carrots, Potatoes, etc.)
- Tinned Fish
- Tinned Desserts (Fruit, Custard, Rice Pudding, etc.)
- Soups (Tinned & Packets)
- Tinned Potatoes
- Dried Rice/Pasta
- Sauces (Jars - Pasta, Curry, Chilli, etc)
- Long Life Milk
- Tea/Coffee
- Cereal
- Biscuits
- Preservatives
- Hygiene & Baby Products



EYFS



Friday 26th September (after school) - Friends' Association Teddy Bear Picnic for EYFS pupils and their families - further information to be sent.

ADVANCE NOTICE - Tuesday 14th October at 2.15pm

We will be running a phonic session to EYFS parents in the large hall. Please do not bring young children to the session. The session will finish in time for pick up at 2:55pm.

Year 1

Please check Class Dojo regularly as we will post on a daily basis. There will be lots of information about what we are doing in class and what the children need.

Year 2

Year 3

Only a fruit or veg snack is allowed at breaktime for ALL children

Plain white T-shirt - can the children please bring in a named plain white t-shirt that they will decorate and then wear during our hunt for Woolly Mammoth later on this term. See details in the termly letter.

Thursday 18th Sept 3:15- 5:15pm - Coding Y3-5

Kent Adult & Family Education are leading a Coding workshop for children (**a parent must attend with their child**). Welcome to Ready Steady Code – a thrilling two-hour coding adventure for families with children. Get ready to embark on an exciting journey of coding and problem-solving as we build mazes and program our robot mouse to race towards the cheese. Please book a place via ARBOR.

Year 4

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Year 5

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Mondays and Tuesdays - children to wear their PE kit to school on these days - every week.

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Year 6

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PE - Children are to wear their PE kit to school on Wednesdays - every week.

Secondary School Open Mornings - with secondary school open mornings starting over the next few weeks, please could we ask parents to email the office in advance to inform them of any dates and times their child will not be in school. Ideally it would be great if the children could be registered first by popping to the office from 8:20am. If this is a problem please phone the school office on the day to register your child and notify them of their meal choice.

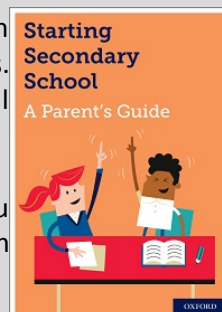
Wednesday 24th September, 6pm - Secondary School Talk in the large hall.

Wednesday 24th September 6pm in the large hall - Secondary School Presentation

Y6 parents and pupils (Y6 pupils only) are invited to our secondary school evening presentation with Mrs Pang where she will share information about the secondary school admission process. Two local secondary schools - John Wallis Academy and Chilmington Green Secondary School - will also be represented.

Applying for a Secondary School place

You must apply for a secondary school place for your child to start year 7 at secondary school. You will need to do this when your child is in year 6 at primary school. Applications opened on Monday 1 September 2025. Apply before Friday 31 October 2025. Apply via [this link](#)
Please follow the instructions carefully to apply and make your 4 choices.



Monday 24th November - School trip to Kent Life. The cost per pupil is £23.00 and must be received by 8th October. Please see the original email for full details.

Goldwell

Please remember to bring a water bottle, fruit snack for break time and PE kits.



Enter Our SuperDraw - Win a £1000 Aldi Giftcard

Play our lottery this month and you could win a £1000 Aldi Giftcard.
Get your tickets before **Saturday 27th September** for your chance to win!

Plus a local winner EVERY SATURDAY.

£1 per ticket. For every ticket you play, 74.2% goes to our school.

<https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/great-chart-primary-school>