



Weekly Bulletin

W/C 23rd March 2026

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: **94.9%**

FG	FT	1G	1T	2G	2T	3G	3T	4G	4T	5G	5T	6G	6T
94.2	97.4	93.8	98.8	94.2	93.3	94	98.3	94.4	91.9	99.2	95.8	91.1	93.3

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.**

Club notices



Drawing & Colouring Club - last session 23rd March

Beginners Recorders - last session 24th March. Concert to parents at 3:30pm. Please come to the main entrance.

Girls Football - last session 25th March

Running & Walking Club - last session 26th March



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 28th April

Pre loved uniform <https://www.facebook.com/greatchartpreowneduniform> or the next sale will be on **Tuesday 24th March** in the large hall after school.

Easter Craft Workshop for Yrs 2-4 - Thursday 26th March 3:15 - 5:15pm

Kent Adult and Family Education are leading an Easter craft workshop in the large hall for Yr 2-4 children (plus a parent). A creative experience for the whole family. Work together to make cherished memories and beautiful crafts that celebrate the joy of togetherness.

Please note - this session is fully booked.



8th May - celebration day for **Sir David Attenborough's 100th birthday**. Children are invited to dress up as either animals, explorers or environmentalists (please note, this is not an 'own clothes day' and if children do not wish to dress up, they will be required to wear school uniform). On this day, children will have a live assembly, we will be conducting lessons and nature walks around the local area, investigating more about his life and work and having a themed lunch.

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

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?

Clothes Bank - Reminder in time for the Spring Clean!

Please help us to raise money for the school by bringing your unwanted clothes to our clothes bank. This is placed in the Key Stage 2 waiting area by the kitchen entrance. Items that you can bring are:

YES: Clothes, paired shoes, handbags, belts, towels, cds, dvds, video games, books, bric-a-brac

NO: pillows, duvets, glass, metal, paper, carpets, rubbish

School will be given a donation for each filled clothes bank. At the same time you will also be supporting a charity - Rockinghorse, who support sick children and the Royal Alexandra Children's Hospital in Brighton. Thank you to all parents who already support the school by donating their unwanted clothes.



EYFS

Phonics

Supporting your child with Phonics - 25th March 2026. Kent Adult Education are leading a face to face session in school for parents of EYFS and Y1 children who would like the opportunity to learn more about how they can support their child at home. Bookings open on Arbor.

Friday 27th March 3pm - EYFS Open Session - a chance for you to come and look inside your child's classroom and for your child to share their work with you.

3rd June - Educational Visit to Wingham Wildlife Park - **payment deadline 22nd April.** Full details can be found in the original letter.

Year 1

Phonics

Supporting your child with Phonics - 25th March 2026. Kent Adult Education are leading a face to face session in school for parents of EYFS and Y1 children who would like the opportunity to learn more about how they can support their child at home. Bookings open on Arbor.

9th June - Educational Visit to Samphire Hoe - **payment deadline 28th April.** Full details can be found in the original letter.

Year 2

11th May 2026 - Educational Visit to Chatham Dockyard - **payment deadline 1st April.** Full details can be found in the original letter.

Year 3

Tuesday 24th March - Swimming for 3 Toke.

29th April - Educational Visit to Museum of Kent Life - **payment deadline 23rd March.** Full details can be found in the original letter. Children to dress up as Romans.

Year 4

Friday 27th March 2pm - Y4 Performance to parents in the large hall.

The children will be performing songs, dances and instrumental skills.

30th April - Educational Visit to Folkestone - **payment deadline 25th March.** Full details can be found in the original letter.

Year 5

Monday 23rd March - PE KITS - Please send your child to school in their PE Kits on this date. We will be using the gym apparatus so it is essential that they wear shorts and have long hair tied up.

Tuesday 24th March - PE KITS - Please send your child to school in their PE kits on this date. We will be continuing with our football lessons as there will NOT be Padel Tennis this week.

Looking forward:

Tuesday 31st March - LAST PADEL SESSION - Please ensure your child wears PE kit on this date and has a water bottle.

Bikeability - Please note that Bikeability will be taking place in term 5. Please check Class Dojo for more information about this. This is a brilliant opportunity for the children so please ensure you have signed up for this.

Year 6

Year 6 Leavers' Hoodies - Ordering deadline Friday 17th April - Click [HERE](#) to order.

**Please note, the links for Y6 and Goldwell are different. Make sure you are clicking the right one.
WHITE is out of stock and will not be available.*



Goldwell

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