

# Newsletter - 26/02/2026

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Dear Anthony Roper Community,

I hope you had a restful half term – welcome back to Term 4! Since last writing:

- We ended our term with the usual Tea Party, Achievement Assembly and Attendance League! It was also time for our School Council to arrange their fantastic Roper's Got Talent show (with thanks to Mrs Hibbert for your work here), UKS2 visited a local mosque as part of their RE learning (with thanks to Mrs Alam for hosting us!) and we also held our Exhibition Afternoon! As always, you're welcome to give feedback here: [Exhibition Feedback – Fill in form](#)
- We started our term with our Values Day (where we focussed on the value of Creativity), LKS2 hosted an Egyptian workshop and Storey and Disney Class learnt about Lunar New Year with a special feast (with thanks to our families for their support)!
- We have held our Parents' Evenings this week, where families are able to meet with staff to discuss the children's progress and next steps! As always, you're welcome to give feedback here: [Parents' Evening Feedback – Fill in form](#)

We've also had, once again, a road closure outside! I've never known a single road need so much maintenance! Thank you so much to everyone for your teamwork, kindness and perseverance and creativity with responding to this unexpected challenge – it makes all the difference. We will let you know of any updates.

Looking ahead, Disney and Storey classes are hosting their own mini-marathon tomorrow to raise money for their outdoor learning, leaders are completing some phonics monitoring next week and we are holding our World Book Day celebrations (on Thursday 5th March) – check Dojo for more information!

Thank you for your continued support of our development.

Keep safe,

Mr Adam Nicholls

## Safeguarding

### **Safeguarding**

We have previously shared KAE Family Education. This is a wide range of courses and activities available for families. Some are online and some are in-person. Some are paid and some are free: <https://www.kentadulthoodeducation.co.uk/>

Some of their upcoming, free, courses include:

Autism Awareness: <https://www.kentadulthoodeducation.co.uk/courses/autism-awareness-onl153352qpf/>

Strategies to support a child with

ADHD: <https://www.kentadulthoodeducation.co.uk/courses/strategies-to-support-your-adhd-child-webinar-onl153357qpf/>

Emotional Regulation: <https://www.kentadulthoodeducation.co.uk/courses/calm-together-emotional-regulation-you-and-your-child-onl153354qpf/>

Story & Craft: <https://www.kentadulthoodeducation.co.uk/courses/story-and-craft-twl153472qpf/>

Supporting your family in our screen-obsessed

world: <https://www.kentadulthoodeducation.co.uk/courses/supporting-your-family-through-our-screen-obsessed-world-onl153358qpf/>

## Attendance

Storey Class - 95.6%

Disney Class - 97.0%

Earhart Class - 99.3%

Peake Class - 96.8%

Pankhurst Class - 98.5%

Frank Class - 93.6%

Anning Class - 96.3%

Middleton Class - 91.4%

Coco Class - 92.5%

Moore Class - 98.4%

*Attendance matters - **The whole school attendance this year is 96.0%**. We aim for all children to achieve 96% attendance within the school year. For unexpected absences, due to illness for example, please contact the School Office so that we can record your child's absence correctly. All other absences must be requested using the Absence Request Form. A copy of our Attendance Policy can be found on the school website.*

## Key Dates

### Term Dates

Term 4: Monday 23rd February – Wednesday 1st April

Term 5: Monday 20th April – Friday 22nd May

Term 6: Monday 1st June – Friday 17th July

### Inset Days

Thursday 2nd April 2026

Monday 20th July 2026

Tuesday 21st July 2026

### Exhibition Afternoons

Wednesday 20th May 2026, from 3:20pm - 4:00pm

### Parents' Evenings

Thursday 26th February 2026, 4:00pm - 7:00pm

### PARENTS COFFEE MORNINGS

Mrs Khatib will be hosting Parent Coffee mornings which will run from 9:00am to 10:30am on the following dates:-

Tuesday 24th March 2026

Tuesday 19th May 2026

Tuesday 7th July 2026.

## Notices

## **SWIMMING**

We are pleased to have secured swimming lessons for all classes in KS2! They will run in the following terms:

Term 4 – Anning (commencing tomorrow 27/02/2026)

Term 5 – Frank

Term 6 – Pankhurst

Each class will receive more specific information, such as dates and kit lists, as their turn approaches.

## **PAYMENT FOR CLUBS**

Payment for clubs is now available on Arbor. Can you please ensure payment is made as soon as possible.

## **PARKING - IMPORTANT**

**We have noticed an increase of parents attempting to/parking on site, especially when the weather is bad. Please can we remind you of the below.**

- Parking within the school grounds is not permitted at drop off or collection time unless it is for exceptional circumstances
- When parking around the school you must park considerately, not blocking pedestrian access, driveways etc
- Animals are not allowed on the school site at any time
- Please refrain from turning in the entrance

## **CATERLINK SURVEY**

Caterlink are carrying out their annual pupil survey to assist them in improving their catering service to their customers and they would value the opportunity to survey the pupils at our school.

Please follow the link below to take part. **Survey closes on 27th March 2026**

Primary Pupil Survey Link - <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/R3RTFTV>

## **PTA UPDATE**

### **PTA Mother's Day Shop**

The PTA are pleased to be running a Mother's Day shop in school again this year and have been busy sourcing beautiful gifts for your children to choose from.

For those families whose children may not have visited our Mother's Day shop before, it is an opportunity for the children to choose gifts for their Mum and/or other important women in their lives. Each class has a turn to visit the shop with their teacher, and the PTA volunteers are there to support them as they choose their gifts.

This year we will be trialling a **ticket system**, as we have done for the recent disco. Tickets will be available to buy in the amounts of £5, £7.50 or £10 on the PTA website, and are **NOW ON SALE**. Items will be priced at a range of values depending on the item, as previous years, and the related cost will be marked off against the total value on each ticket. Helpers and staff will ensure that children purchase items to the full value of their ticket.

This year, the shops will take place on the afternoons of **Wednesday 11th** for Key Stage 1 and **Thursday 12th March** for Key Stage 2. Children will receive their ticket in class on the day of their shop.

As families come in all shapes and sizes, if you would like your child to buy for an additional Mum/Grandparent/Parent/Carer, please feel free to buy an additional ticket to increase the overall value that they can spend at the shop.

Please note that we will not be running an IOU system this year. If you would like your child to visit the shop, please ensure that you have bought them a ticket. Tickets will be available to buy up to **8pm on Tuesday 10th March and will NOT be available to purchase at the school office on the day.**

### **Easter Egg Hunt**

Save the Date! This year we will be holding the Easter Egg Hunt on Tuesday 31st March! More information to follow soon.

## Awards

### Numbots Champions

Storey Class -

Disney Class - Robyn

Earhart Class - Rhiaan, Barnaby, Harrison

Peake Class - Chloe, Lara, Iris

Pankhurst Class - Theodore, Hudson, Karter

Frank Class - Edison, Juno, Fenton

Anning Class - Lydia, William, Rory

Middleton Class - Sophia, Harry, Olivia

Coco Class - Robert, Rudy, Lucienne

Moore Class - Sienna, Elliot, Maisie

### Times Tables Rock Stars Champions

Storey Class -

Disney Class -

Earhart Class - Brody, Dougie, Oliver

Peake Class - Chloe, Iris, Elliott

Pankhurst Class - Jenson, Alina, Karter

Frank Class - Emily, Jacob, Edison

Anning Class - Belle, William, Edie

Middleton Class - Jude, Harry, Owen

Coco Class - Jessica, Rudy, Lucienne

Moore Class - Poppy, Marguerite, Arissa

### Achievement Awards

Storey Class - Finley

Disney Class - Frankie

Earhart Class - Daisy

Peake Class - Sanderson

Pankhurst Class - Freya

Frank Class - Daisy

Anning Class - Joshua

Middleton Class - Johnny

Coco Class - Billy

Moore Class - Charlie R

Skills Academy - Florence S

Trident Trust - Neo

Artistic - Alfie R

#### [House Points](#)

Knole - 790

Chartwell - 932

Penshurst - 864

Ightham - 1,118





