

Newsletter - 16/07/2026

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Dear Anthony Roper Community,

I cannot believe we have reached the final newsletter of the school year! The time flies by faster and faster each time! Since last writing, we've had the following successes:

- Our School Council held their Welly Wang event to raise money for their plans for the playground!
- A group of our children represented our school at the Benenden Music Festival, following their lessons in school.
- We held our Tea Party and children have updated their scrapbooks to show their achievements this term!
- We held our annual Maths Race, where pupils work together to solve a variety of challenging problems.
- Year 6 put on an excellent production for the school and their families, exemplifying their humour, teamwork and creativity.

Year 6 SATs

You may have seen in the media that SATs results were delayed by 10 days this year. This morning, we finally received them! Not only have you been a wonderful cohort to have in school, but I am immensely proud to tell you that you have achieved the BEST results our school has EVER had. Thank you for your hard work and dedication, supported by our staff and your wonderful families. A true show of *Learning to work together; working together to learn*. Thank you to you, your parents and every colleague and volunteer that's been part of your journey: you smashed it! Best of luck in your secondaries: come back and visit!

There's just one day of this term left for the children, who finish on Friday 17th July. Staff will be in for training next week, preparing for the new school year, which starts for pupils on Wednesday 2nd September 2026.

Thank you for your support of our school. I wish you a happy and healthy summer break!

Keep safe,

Mr Adam Nicholls

Safeguarding

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This week's resource is SOLACE: <https://solacewomensaid.org/> This is a service for domestic abuse support.

As a school we believe that safeguarding is not only about protecting children and young people from abuse and neglect but also their families too. It is our intention therefore to support families by signposting them to universal services which may assist families when they are facing difficulties themselves. For reference, our Safeguarding Team is: Mr Adam Nicholls, Mrs Bouchera Khatib, Miss Jo Leadley and Mrs Jemma Sholl.

Attendance

Storey Class - 99.2%

Disney Class - 98.5%

Earhart Class - 94.8%

Peake Class - 92.9%

Pankhurst Class - 99.3%

Frank Class - 89.6%

Anning Class - 91.7%

Middleton Class - 93.7%

Coco Class - 96.2%

Moore Class - 94.0%

Attendance matters - The whole school attendance this year is 95.0%. 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 6: Monday 1st June – Friday 17th July

Inset Days

Monday 20th July 2026

Tuesday 21st July 2026

Notices

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
- If your child travels to and from school by bike or scooter, please remind them to be mindful of other road users, particularly when entering and leaving the school grounds. These times can be especially busy, with a high volume of vehicles accessing the premises

PICK UP

Can we please remind blue badge holders that they are only allowed entry into the car park from 3:20pm. Pedestrians should also remain on the pathways at drop off and collection

WEATHER

With the changeable weather we are currently experiencing, please ensure that your children come to school dressed appropriately. This may include applying sun cream **before coming into school**, as well as bringing a sun hat and a waterproof coat.

LUNCHTIME DEVELOPMENTS

From the week commencing 6th July, lunchtime for all children will run from 12:00pm–1:00pm. Each year group will have a designated slot to eat their lunch during this time. A separate e-mail detailing the designated slot for each year group has already been sent.

SCHOOL GATES

We would like to inform families who use the Breakfast Club that, from September, the school vehicle gate will no longer be left open for morning drop-off. Parents and carers will need to access the school via the pedestrian gate when dropping off children going to Breakfast Club. This change has been introduced to improve the security of the site.

SUMMER HOLIDAY CRAFT MORNING

On Thursday 13th August from 10:00am-12:00pm St Martins church, Eynsford is running a summer holiday craft morning aimed at local primary school age kids and their carers

PTA UPDATE

Thank you from the PTA

We'd like to thank everyone for their support of the PTA over the past year. Whether you've volunteered at an event, attended an activity, or supported us in other ways, your involvement is greatly appreciated.

We hope you all enjoy a relaxing summer break and look forward to seeing everyone in September.

Thank you and have a lovely summer!

Awards

Numbots Champions

Storey Class -

Disney Class - Robyn

Earhart Class - Rhiaan, Barnaby, Oliver

Peake Class - Chloe, Iris, Lara

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 - Alina, Karter, Jenson

Frank Class - Jacob, Edison, Emily

Anning Class - Belle, William, Edie

Middleton Class - Jude, Harry, Owen

Coco Class - Jessica, Rudy, Lucienne

Moore Class - Poppy, Marguerite, Arissa

Achievement Awards

Storey Class -

Disney Class -

Earhart Class -

Peake Class -

Pankhurst Class -

Frank Class -

Anning Class -

Middleton Class -

Coco Class -

Moore Class -

[House Points](#)

Knole - 331

Chartwell - 368

Penshurst - 365

Ightham - 413





