



Lympe Church of England Primary School

Newsletter

Friday 16th October 2026



Let Your Light Shine

Friendship, Respect, Courage, Resilience

Dear Parents and Carers



Well done to this week's winners:

Shining Light	Spotted by	For
Freddie in Beech Class	Mrs Fordham	Being consistently polite, warm and bringing a calm, positive influence to everyone around him.
Casey in Oak Class	Mrs Clayton	Being kind and caring and putting others before himself.

Well done to this week's attendance champions:

Willow	Maple	Cherry	Beech	Sycamore	Oak	Elm
91%	95%	94.4%	99.3%	95.2%	100%	92.1%

Mrs Martin has shared that it was a pleasure to join the Year 6 class worship this morning and hear about everything the children have already achieved this year. Their enthusiasm, confidence and sense of pride were wonderful to see.

Their learning in maths was particularly impressive with an excellent understanding of divisible numbers. The children also showcased fantastic cricket skills and were able to explain their learning clearly and confidently. Their English writing was inspiring, especially the letters they have written to different companies linked to their future aspirations. Their creativity in art continues to shine and it is clear they are embracing every opportunity to develop their talents.

Elm Class are also making a real difference beyond the classroom through their efforts to raise money for equipment for



a school in Uganda. A special thank you must also go to Elm Class for being such wonderful buddies to Willow Class. Their kindness, patience and support for the younger children are truly appreciated and they are excellent role models for our school community.

We are incredibly proud of all they have accomplished and look forward to seeing what else they achieve this year.



Forest School Update from Rocky Richardson

Beech Class embraced autumn this week! We started with a team challenge of matching autumnal seeds to the trees they came from (e.g. conkers - horse chestnut, acorn - oak etc) The results were mixed.....

Then we got 'bonkers for conkers' - the children used palm drills to make holes in the conkers to make a range of items - cars, figures, pencil toppers, a fan and more! A group of children crushed, soaked and strained some conkers to make a natural antibacterial bubbly soap. Max and pals used conkers in their beloved giant marble runs and several children used conkers and skewers as the frame to weave god's eyes.

In addition, we used the Hapa Zome printing technique with some beautiful autumn leaves to decorate squares of fabric before filling it with some dried lavender we had been gifted, to make



lavender bags for under pillows or in drawers.

Fire was an important element of the day - apple slices were skewered, coated in cinnamon sugar and cooked on the fire. Many children refreshed their fire lighting skills using the flint and steels to light many fires using cotton wool tinder and a kindling.

A huge well done to Beech Class - we received a huge delivery of wood chippings on Friday which we use to stabilise the ground cover as we enter the wetter months. The children worked as a team to fill barrows and lay the chippings so efficiently - this will make a big difference!





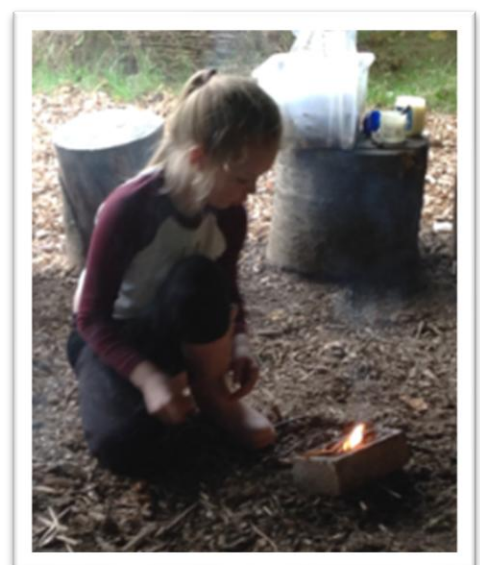
Sycamore Class are learning about rivers in geography, so we nipped over to Brockhill Country Park to put their learning in to action with the Brockhill stream. The children assessed the environment quality and completed field sketches at different parts of the stream's journey down to the canal, complete with annotations and 'P' or 'H' to denote physical or human features. There was just enough time for a runaround in the playground too!





Once back at school, we attempted a team game with pieces of guttering as the river channel and a ball as the rivers load and attempted transportation without any 'flooding' - more practise needed!

Lots of children recapped their fire lighting skills with great success and resilience, whilst others built a gym, a car and a high-level obstacle course.



Reading in Comfort

If you have any cushions or beanbags that you don't need any more, we'd love to have them for our library. Thank you!

Parking Reminder

- ✓ Blue Badge holders only to park in the disabled bay at the front of the school
- ✓ Please use the school driveway for quick drop-offs and pick-ups only
- ✓ Please allow those with limited mobility priority access to the few remaining spaces and park outside the school driveway wherever possible



Calendar – October / November 2026

19	20	21	22	23
Year 2 Forest School		Oak Class Viking Day	Year 3 swimming Year 1 Forest School	Term ends Herald Cup Boys vs Hawkinge (home) Celebration Worship at 2:40 - all welcome
26	27	28	29	30
Half term				
2	3	4	5	6
Staff training day Secondary school applications for September 2027 close at midnight	Term begins for pupils		Year R Forest School Year 3 swimming	Reception place 2027 - KCC applications open Celebration Worship at 2:40 - all welcome

Have a good weekend and thank you for your support this week. Please don't hesitate to continue to get in touch whenever needed.

Kind regards

Melanie Nash
Headteacher

Admission to

Primary school in Kent 2027

KCC residents apply online at
kent.gov.uk/primaryadmissions

Opens Friday 6 November 2026 and closes at
midnight on Friday 15 January 2027

For children born between
1 September 2022
and 31 August 2023,
Transferring to Primary school
in September 2027

What to do

Choose a school

It's important to find out more about the schools you are interested in before you decide to name them on the application form.

Read the guide to Primary admissions at www.kent.gov.uk/primaryadmissions.

You can name up to three Primary schools, inside or outside of Kent, but you must name them all on the same application.

Apply for a school place

A simple, fast, convenient process which opens **Friday 6 November 2026** and closes at **midnight on Friday 15 January 2027**. Other LA deadlines may differ.

You will first need to set up an online account. The applicant is you, the parent/carer; you will then need to add your child's details before starting an application. You will receive a confirmation email that your application has been correctly submitted.

You can log back in at any time to view the information submitted.

Receiving your offer

On offer day (**Friday 16 April 2027**) an email will be sent to you informing you of your offer.

You must accept or decline the school place you have been offered by **Friday 30 April 2027**. A link to a guide with information you will need to provide the school with will be in your offer email.

If it has not been possible to offer your child a place in your preferred school, you have the right to appeal. You can also add their name to the school's waiting list.

Moving house during the application window will likely complicate your application and we therefore advise you to pay special attention to key dates in the admissions process. KCC has no discretionary authority to vary the process for parents who cannot complete address moves in time to make use of them for admissions purposes. If you are moving, please email the team on one of the email addresses below for advice.

Key dates

Friday 6 November 2026	Online application process opens. Go to www.kent.gov.uk/primaryadmissions to register and apply.
Friday 15 January 2027	Online application process closes for the main round. Any amendments after this date must be emailed to kentonlinedmissions@kent.gov.uk
Friday 16 April 2027	Offers of school places sent to parents via email after 4pm.
Friday 30 April 2027	Parents should contact the school to accept/refuse the place that has been offered and can use the link in the offer email to ask for their child to be added to the waiting list of schools named on the original application.
Monday 17 May 2027	Appeals need to be lodged by this date to be heard before September – appeals information can be found at www.kent.gov.uk/schoolappeals . You can only appeal for schools that were named on the application form.

Need help?

Email primaryadmissions@kent.gov.uk

Full information booklet can also be viewed online at kent.gov.uk/primaryadmissions

Only one application per pupil will be accepted. If you apply online, do not complete any other form of application. Keep your login details safe and use your registered email address for all communication with the team.

The confirmation email may go to your junk/spam folder of your email – please check here before contacting our team for confirmation.

Please note applications can only be made via Kent County Council (KCC) if the child resides at a KCC address. If your child does **not** reside at a KCC address, you must make an application via your Local Authority.



Admission to

Primary school in Kent 2027

Common misconceptions

For children born between
1 September 2022
and 31 August 2023,
Transferring to Primary
school in **September**
2027.

MYTH #1

Attending a nursery or pre-school will automatically guarantee your child a space at the associated school.

MYTH #2

A sibling attending the school will automatically guarantee your child a space at the same school.

MYTH #3

Attending an infant school will automatically guarantee a space for your child at the linked junior school.

TRUTH

You **must still apply** using the online application portal at:

www.kent.gov.uk/primaryadmissions 

★ Nurseries and primary schools are not linked for admissions purposes.

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You **must still apply** using the online application portal at:

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★ If eligible, your application may be considered under a school's 'sibling' oversubscription criteria.

TRUTH

You **must still apply** using the online application portal at:

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★ Children do not automatically transfer to a junior school. Admissions are ranked according to the school's admission criteria, including any linked school arrangements.



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Admission to Secondary school in Kent 2027

KCC residents apply online at
kent.gov.uk/secondaryadmissions

Opened Tuesday 1 September 2026 and closes
at midnight on Monday 2 November 2026

For children born between
1 September 2015
and 31 August 2016,
Transferring to Secondary
school in September 2027

What to do

Choose a school

It's important to find out more about the schools you are interested in before you decide to name them on the application form.

Read the Guide to Secondary admissions at www.kent.gov.uk/secondaryadmissions.

You can name up to four Secondary schools, inside or outside of Kent, but you must name them all on the same application.

Apply for a school place

A simple, fast, convenient process which opens **Tuesday 1 September 2026** and closes at midnight on **Monday 2 November 2026**. Other LA deadlines may differ.

If you already have an account set up from the Kent Test process, please use these login details.

You will receive an email confirmation that your application has been submitted correctly and that the LA has received it.

You can log back in at any time to view the information submitted.

Receiving your offer

On offer day (**Monday 1 March 2027**) an email will be sent to you informing you of your offer.

You must accept or decline the school place you have been offered by **Monday 15 March 2027**. A link to a guide with information you will need to provide the school with will be in your offer email.

If we have not offered your child a place in your preferred school, you have the right to appeal. You can also add their name to the school's waiting list if your child is eligible for admission.

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Key dates

Tuesday 1st September 2026	Online application process opens. Go to <u>www.kent.gov.uk/secondaryadmissions</u> to register and apply.
Monday 2nd November 2026	Online application process closes for the main round. Any amendments after this date must be emailed to <u>kentonlineadmissions@kent.gov.uk</u>
Monday 1st March 2027	Offers of school places sent to parents via email after 4pm.
Monday 15th March 2027	Parents should contact the school to accept/refuse the place that has been offered and can use the link in the offer email to ask for their child to be added to the waiting list of eligible schools named on the original application.
Tuesday 13th April 2027	Appeals need to be lodged by this date to be heard before September - appeals information can be found at <u>www.kent.gov.uk/schoolappeals</u> . You can only appeal for schools that were named on the application form.

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SCHOOL MEALS DELIVERY DRIVER NEEDED

Regular Term-Time Work

We are looking for a reliable, friendly self-employed driver to help deliver school meals for this school.

GOOD
FOOD
FUELS
BRIGHT
FUTURES

A SMALL
JOURNEY
MAKES A BIG
DIFFERENCE

HEALTHY MEALS

BRIGHTER DAYS

HAPPIER
LEARNERS



Regular
term-time work



Competitive
daily rate



School
holidays free



Short daytime
working hours



Use of your own
suitable vehicle



Routes operate during the school day and are typically around 30 minutes to 2 hours per day, depending on the requirements of the route.



The work is ideal for anyone looking for regular daytime work during school term time, including retired or semi-retired people, parents, or anyone with availability during the day.

Work that fits
around you

TERM-TIME
WORK
REAL IMPACT

Interested?

Contact Sheridan Myers
for further information:



adminsupport@sheridanmyers.co.uk



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HEALTHY
CHILDREN
HAPPIER
TOMORROWS

Be part of something good

GOOD FOOD

HEALTHY MINDS

BRIGHT FUTURES



PLAYERS WANTED!

HYTHE TOWN FC GIRLS

U10s • U11s • U12s



More
than just
a game...

Friends
Confidence
Skills
Fun

ALL ABILITIES WELCOME!

Whether your daughter is an experienced player
or completely new to football, we'd love to hear from you!



GOALKEEPERS
WANTED



OUTFIELD PLAYERS
WANTED

We offer a safe, friendly,
unpressured and fun
environment where girls
can enjoy football,
make friends, build confidence
and develop their skills.



TRAINING:

THURSDAYS



MATCHES:

SUNDAYS

No previous
experience needed -
beginners are
very welcome!



CONTACT:

girlsfootball@hythetownfc.co.uk



Come and be part of the
Hythe Town FC Girls family!

