

27th September 2024

Dear Parents / Carers,

Crafternoon – Thank you



Thank you to all of our parents, family members and friends who were able to attend our Crafternoon this afternoon. It was lovely to welcome you all into school. The children always enjoy being able to share their classroom with their family and have the chance to create some craft together.

Thank you for spending the afternoon with us.

Maple Class at the East Kent Ploughing Match

On Wednesday this week, Maple Class attended the East Kent Ploughing Match at Great Bossington Farm, Adisham.

The East Kent Ploughing Match is an annual event that has been running for nearly 80 years. Attracting thousands of visitors each year, the event not only draws tough competition between modern, old and horse drawn ploughs, but is a fantastic outing and educational opportunity.



The children had a fantastic time, learning all about how farmers ploughed their fields using horses as well as using modern tractors and machinery. They also viewed the competition entries for the fruits and vegetables, as well as watching the birds of prey demonstration.

It was a wonderful day out and a great way to meet our farming neighbours and wider community.



Oak Class – investigating at St Augustine’s church



On Thursday, Oak Class went to St Augustine's Church in Northbourne to see if they could find out more about how Christians worship God and about God being loving and holy, as part of their RE lessons this term.

Mr Semple, the church warden and our Foundation Governor, met them at church and talked to them about the history of the church. They then explored and investigated to see what they could find to help them answer the big question for the term: What does it mean if God is holy and loving?

They liked the stained glass windows and church bells in particular. While they were there, Ted had the opportunity to play the organ - and did so brilliantly! Everyone was very impressed and enjoyed listening to him.

Well done Oak Class for some good investigating!



House Captains 2024/2025



St Andrews Captain = Merida Vice Captain = Ella Y	St Davids Captain = Ted Vice Captain = Harvey
St Georges Captain = Kitty Vice Captain = Gino	St Patricks Captain = Delilah Vice Captain = James

We are proud to announce our House Captains and Vice Captains for this academic year:

Congratulations to our new House Captains and Vice Captains! And well done to all of our Year 6 and Year 5 pupils who presented at the house meetings and put themselves forward for voting. We are very proud of how well our pupils engage with democracy and how keen they are to take on leadership roles within our school.



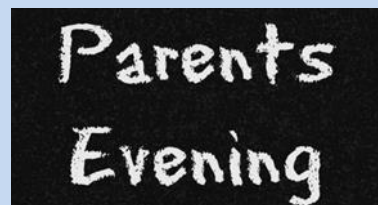
Jewellery and make-up reminder

Please remember that we ask pupils not to wear any make-up or nail varnish to school. We appreciate as the children get older they may become more interested in wearing make-up, however, school is not the place to do this. If your child does enjoy wearing make-up or nail varnish at home, please help us by reminding your children about our school rule.

Our rules around jewellery remain the same, we ask that earrings are sleeper / stud style earrings, not anything dangly or hoops. We are happy for children to wear a watch if they have one (not a SMART watch or a VTech style watch), preferably an analogue watch to help them learn to tell the time. No other jewellery, such as bracelets or necklaces, thank you.

Parents Evening – Monday 21st and Tuesday 22nd October

Our first Parents Evenings of the year will take place after school on Monday 21st and Tuesday 22nd October. Please make a note of these dates. These are valuable opportunities for you to meet with your child's teacher and discuss learning and progress. We hope you will all be able to attend. The online booking system for these dates will open later in the term. We will let you know when and how to book.



Attendance Update

This week's attendance percentages: Week beginning 23.09.24.

Willow
100%

Beech
97%

Maple
97%

Hazel
95%

Oak
95%

**Whole school
cumulative this
year
97.7%**

Learning Warriors **27th September 2024**

Beech – Arthur

Maple – Jude

Hazel – Peter

Oak – Arthur

Head Girl's Award – Ivy

Head Boy's Award – Dylan

Attendance Ted – Willow class

Punctuality Pup – All classes on time!

