

4TH SEPTEMBER 2026

WELCOME BACK!

It has been lovely to welcome the children back to school this week. They are looking very smart in their uniforms and have made a really positive start to the new school year.

I have been particularly impressed by the mature approach the children have shown. They have settled into their new routines well, listened carefully and shown a real readiness to learn. It has been wonderful to see them supporting one another and taking pride in their school!

Our classrooms and learning spaces are looking lovely too. Staff have worked hard over the summer to create welcoming, purposeful environments that will support children's learning and encourage them to be independent and curious.

Thank you to our children and families for such a positive start. I am looking forward to the year ahead and to seeing all that the children will achieve.

Mrs Thompson, Headteacher.



PE DAYS – TERM 1

You may remember that, at the end of last year, we announced a change to our uniform arrangements on PE days. Children are now asked to **come to school wearing their PE kit** on the day they are due to have PE.

As a reminder, our PE days for Term 1 are listed below:

Mondays – Year 3, Broadstairs Class

Tuesdays – Year R, Dover Class and Year 4, Walmer Class

Wednesdays – Year 2, Dymchurch Class

Thursdays – Year 1, Deal Class

Fridays – Year 5, Folkestone Class and Year 6, Margate Class



We take pride in our uniform!

REMINDER: SCHOOL UNIFORM

A gentle reminder that dyed hair does not align with our school uniform policy. We appreciate that some children may have experimented with their hair over the summer, but please ensure that colour is washed out or allowed to grow out as soon as possible.

Thank you for your support in helping us maintain our school uniform expectations.

Year 3 - Term 1 Extreme Environment, Fossil Hunting.



Year 3 are learning all about rocks and fossils this term. To introduce themselves to paleontology, they had a fossil hunt in the newly restored Secret Garden. The children looked for fossils and recorded their type and their location. When back in the classroom, they talked about what these fossils would have taught us about the land millions of years ago.

FIRST AID NOTIFICATIONS – MEDICAL TRACKER

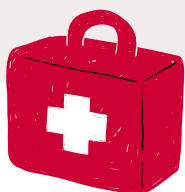
During Term 6, we shared a letter introducing Medical Tracker, our Trust's new system for notifying parents about first aid that is administered in school.

We are confident that this will be a useful platform for improving communication between school and home, although, like anything new, it may take a little time for everyone to get used to.

The main changes you will notice are:

- First aid notifications will mainly be sent to you by email, though there are times where we may feel that a phone call is appropriate;
- You will receive a notification for all first aid treatment your child receives in school;
- We will no longer routinely make phone calls for minor head bumps where there is no visible mark, injury or cause for concern.

We hope you find this new way of communicating with you helpful and informative. If you experience any issues with the system or have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the school office.



DIARY DATES:

New or changed dates are in blue.

09.09.26 Individual Pupil Photos
10.09.26 Year 6 Kent Test
11.09.26 Meet the Teacher 15:15–15:45

23.10.26 End of Term 1
02.11.26 Term 2 Starts

Further Term dates can be found here:
[Term Dates](#)

PHOTOS

Braiswick will be in to take individual pupil photos next Wednesday. There will also be an opportunity between 8:15–8:45am for parents to bring siblings into the hall for sibling photos. These will be done on a 'first come first served' basis, however, we usually manage to fit everyone in! Please line up using the zig-zag slope at the rear of the hall no earlier than 8.05am

