



Belonging . Courage . Perseverance . Compassion . Trust

Headteacher's Message

Dear Parents and Carers

What a wonderful week of exciting activities to enhance the curriculum, with an amazing day for Year 1 and 2 at Wakehurst Place on Wednesday and the whole school joining in World Book Day celebrations on Thursday. Thank you for supporting the children with their costumes and to those of you who were able to stay and enjoy the parade. Thank you for all the amazing and creative spoon characters, which were impossible to judge, resulting in a treat for *all* those who entered! We will be displaying them all, so the children can enjoy each other's creations. Thank you for all the beautiful books that have been donated for the classrooms, we really appreciate your support and generosity. And lastly, a big thank you to Mrs Cherry for all her organisation of World Book Day – and our author visits – ably supported by our Year 6 Reading Ambassadors and librarians.

Frustratingly, we haven't been able to locate anywhere in Edenbridge that the children can use their World Book Day token but we know that WH Smiths in East Grinstead and Sevenoaks have the World Book Day books, if you are out and about with your child/ren at the weekend. The following link will help you find other retailers where these can be redeemed up until Sunday 23rd March:

<https://www.worldbookday.com/books-and-tokens/books/participating-retailers/>

On Tuesday, after a long wait, the playground line painting was completed, along with our 100 square outside Year 2. Thank you to Mrs de Moraville and our netball team for their patience and thank you to the PTA for their support in seeing this project through to fruition – I'm sure you will agree it was worth the wait.

Finally, I wanted to share some lovely feedback received this week, firstly from Thomas Taylor who described our children as, 'a credit to the school – bright and engaged and full of ideas' and then the staff at Wakehurst Place who said that our children 'had the best manners they had ever seen from a class'. What great ambassadors for our school!

We have Morgan's 4th birthday celebrations this weekend - at the risk of sounding cliché, I can't help wondering where that time has gone!

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Bligh

Christian Value of the Week: Compassion

'As a father has compassion on his children, so the Lord has compassion on those who fear him; for he knows how we are formed, he remembers that we are dust.'

Psalm 103:13-14



Birthday

Announcements:

Millie, Maisie, Megan, Eagle Girl,
Kestrel Girl, Ernie



Golden Book Award

Magnolia: Dylan
Oak: Leah, Max

HOUSE POINTS

Congratulations to Falcon!

Falcon 284

Eagle 273

Kestrel 262



Star of the week

Acorn: Tommy

Magnolia: Arlo

Elderberry: Darcey

Elm: Finn

Willow: Alfie

Chestnut: Vinny

Oak: Leah



Attendance Cup

Well done

Willow Class!

99% attendance



Last week's whole
school attendance:

95.7%

The Week in Photos—Early Years & Key Stage 1

ACORN

Acorn class thoroughly enjoyed their first World Book Day at Hever! Fantastic costumes and so much book talk and reading throughout the day. We loved finding lots of different places to read inside and out as well as finding all the different book characters that had been hidden! We then worked together to try to figure out which story they were from!

The Acorns also became palaeontologists! Using their tools to discover dinosaur bones buried deep in the sand, brushing them off, weighing them and writing which one they had found!



MAGNOLIA

Another extremely busy week for Magnolia Class! On Wednesday we took a trip to Wakehurst Place. We were so lucky to have such lovely weather which meant the children could enjoy a sunny walk around part of the grounds. We were fascinated by a seed workshop where children could cut open a variety of different seeds. Using magnifying glasses and microscopes the children got to look at them in amazing detail! Using resources from nature the children worked in groups to create pieces of art too! It was also lovely to hear such kind praise about the children's behaviour and manners at the end of the trip. Dressing up for World Book Day was so much fun! The class particularly enjoyed getting to read with some of the older students in Year 5. It has made several of the children excited about moving onto some bigger, more challenging books!



ELDERBERRY

Elderberry class have had an action-packed week with a trip to Wakehurst Place and World Book Day.

The children were commended for their engagement and enthusiasm by the Wakehurst staff. The seed workshop included looking through microscopes and investigating what is inside a germinating seed. The weather was so beautiful that the children were able to sit outside to eat their lunch and enjoy the grounds with a sensory walk and creating ephemeral art.

What wonderful costumes everyone had for world book day! Well done to everyone who entered the spoon character competition, they were all so creative.



The Week in Photos—Key Stage 2

ELM

Term 4's PSHE kicked off with a focus on "Healthy Body, Healthy Mind," and today was all about fitness. With the sun shining, the children eagerly selected four exercises of their choice, predicted how many repetitions they could complete in one minute, and then practiced to improve their performance.

Afterward, they set new goals to work towards by the end of the term. They loved every moment, demonstrating perseverance and encouraging one another to keep going and never give up.



WILLOW

In science this week we have been learning about states of matter. The children focused on the properties and how solids, liquids and gases are similar or different and the reasons for this.

Thursday brought about much excitement as the children came dressed as their favourite book characters for World Book Day.

They all looked amazing and spoke so enthusiastically about who they were and what it was that they liked about their character.



CHESTNUT

Chestnut class have enjoyed their English lessons this week, writing recounts based on the childhood of Chris Hadfield. They have worked hard to write each paragraph and edit it to make improvements.

The editing process included checking their punctuation and vocabulary choices. Mrs Read has been very impressed with their effort and independence when making choices about their writing.

As part of our world book day celebrations, Chestnut class read stories with Year 1. The children were very excited and enjoyed spending the time sharing stories.



OAK

It has been a busy week in Year 6, filled with memorable events such as Ash Wednesday and World Book Day.

On Tuesday, Reverend Simon led our Ashing service, where Year 6 participated by reading from the bible and sharing prayers. They were also invited to have a cross painted on their foreheads whilst reflecting on something they could take up or give up for Lent.

The children wholeheartedly embraced the World Book Day celebrations, sharing their favourite stories during assembly and organising a fun book character hunt at lunchtime.

They took great pride in their roles, running the events they were responsible for with enthusiasm and helping others to ensure everyone could take part. We are looking forward to a busy week and our trip to Sevenoaks next week.





Forest School

With spring hopefully just around the corner, Acorn class learnt about why birds are now starting to make nests and had a go at making their own to protect their 'eggs'. We also played 'guess the mystery woodland object'.

Meanwhile, Elderberry class got messy with clay creating some woodland creatures and trinkets to take home once dried.



Please ensure that you have read the changes to the Wraparound Care and extra-curricular clubs email detailing changes to the pricing structure.



NB A ParentMail will be sent when you are able to book for Term 5



EMMA'S KITCHEN

Term 4's menu is on the school website:
<https://www.hever.kent.sch.uk/school-meals/>

Please send any feedback to the school office.
Emma's Kitchen



** Reminders **

Please ensure that any last minute collection arrangements are phoned through to the school office.

School Office

UPCOMING DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Weekend	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	10th March:	11th March: Yr5 & Yr6 STEAM Workshop Yr5 & Yr6 XC @Brambletye	12th March:	13th March: Yr5 & Yr6 Netball Vs Chidd (away)	14th March: Yr4 Bough Beech Trip WWYLD—Bring an Easter Egg



Tuesday 11th March: Year R & Year 1 Dinosaur & Fossil Workshop



PTA Update

Massive thanks to everyone for attending the quiz again last week! And well done to Charlotte and Mei for their amazing organisation. Well done to the Hever Bar winners today - we have raised over £200 for the library again which will be put to good use by Mrs Cherry soon.

Remember to get your Easter Eggs to bring in for WWYLD next week and let us know if you can support the Easter Fete - we need about 20 volunteers otherwise we can't run it! From 2pm set up until 4.30 clear up.

Watch out for your Sponsorship Form coming out next week for our **Sponsored Run on Friday 21 March**, supporting Alex and Dean, two Hever dads in the build-up to their marathon raising money for our lovely school. If you want to run a lap with them you can as well, approximate timings for classes will be sent round asap.

We hope you enjoy your Hever Bars today! Well done to all of the GOLDEN TICKET WINNERS and a huge thank you to the Oompa Loompa for making an appearance!

Upcoming Dates: Every Friday is Fun!

Friday 14 March - WWYLD – Bring an Easter Egg – for our Easter Egg Raffle at the Easter Fair. *(Please note to make this fair this year it will only be open to pupils at the school)*

Friday 21 March - Sponsored Run - more details coming soon.

Friday 28 March - Easter Fair – we are looking for volunteers for 30min to 1hour slots – please email to get involved! heverpta@hever.kent.sch.uk

Saturday 26 April - Hever School Fundraising Ball - Book your tickets for the evening dancing from 20:15 here - <https://buy.stripe.com/7slbMe2JY4lk7JK8wC>

SECOND HAND UNIFORM – Donations – please leave with Mrs Reddaway in the office. If you are looking for something – please email Emma: eskorczewski@icloud.com

Have a great weekend!

The PTA Trustees xxx
heverpta@hever.kent.sch.uk



Spring into Action!

Hever Parents and Carers Walking Group. Every morning after drop off, we meet by the PTA store/shed and set off at 8.40/when the gate closes.

We do circuits of the Parish Field and you can do as many or as few as you like. It can be very muddy so suitable footwear a must!

Friendly dogs welcome!

Fundraising Update

2024-2025

Fundraising Total: £14,952

PROJECTS

Playground: COMPLETE!

**Outdoor/Wellbeing
Classroom: £12,712**



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**HEVER SCHOOL
SPRING
FUNDRAISING BALL**
SATURDAY 26TH APRIL 2025

THE GUTHRIE PAVILION, HEVER CASTLE
AUCTION, RAFFLE & LIVE MUSIC

FULL TICKET FROM 6PM - £85pp
Prosecco reception on The Loggia, 3 course meal
DANCING FROM 8:15PM - £25pp
CARRIAGES AT MIDNIGHT

Don your glad rags & join us for a fabulous evening!