



*Belonging . Courage . Perseverance . Compassion . Trust*

## Headteacher's Message

Dear Parents and Carers

Working collaboratively is an important part of sharing and building good practice, so it was lovely to welcome headteachers from two local schools to Hever this week. They were impressed by the quality of the children's work as well as our learning environments and our Early Years provision and were keen for other members of their teams to visit. I am looking forward to making reciprocal visits to their schools next term.

I hope you found your child's data report informative and enjoyed the opportunity to see your child's work this week. We are impressed by the progress made and look forward to seeing you at Parent Consultations next week to discuss how we can work together to continue to support your child's learning and development.

Congratulations to our dancers who did incredibly well performing at the Stag Theatre this week. They have worked incredibly hard and I'm sure those of you who saw them at the Easter fair were impressed by their performances. We are hoping they might inspire other key stage two children to join dance club next term.

Thank you to everyone who supported the PTA Easter Fair, either by helping to set up, run a stall or participate in the activities. Thank you to the choir who opened the fair so beautifully and to all the children who participated in the Easter bonnet parade. This is always a lovely event and with the combination of chocolate and a bouncy castle is a firm favourite with the children!

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Bligh

## HOUSE POINTS

Congratulations to Kestrel!

**Kestrel 216**

**Falcon 204**

**Eagle 166**



## Star of the week

**Acorn:** Roman

**Magnolia:** Victor

**Elderberry:** Amelia

**Elm:** Enzo

**Willow:** Ralph

**Chestnut:** George

**Oak:** Elsie



## Attendance Cup

Well done

Magnolia class!

100% attendance



Last week's whole school attendance:

**96%**

## Christian Value of the Week: Thankfulness

*'But you are blessed. You understand the things you see with your eyes. And you understand the things you hear with your ears.'*

Matthew 13:16



## Golden Book Award

**Magnolia:** Gregory, Willow, Hazel

**Elm:** Jessica, Enzo

**Oak:** Naevia, Max, Elsie



## Birthday

## Announcements:

Liam, Kestrel Boy

## The Week in Photos—Early Years & Key Stage 1

### ACORN

Acorn class had an amazing first trip this week to Hever Castle grounds, looking for signs of spring! The weather was so beautiful and we became experts at spotting new buds and spring flowers, as well as sketching some of the vast amounts of daffodils too!

We also got very excited to see something green, slimy and 'swamp like' (the children's words!) in a tank in our classroom!! Frog spawn has arrived and we are loving looking at the gradual changes as we arrive each day to school!

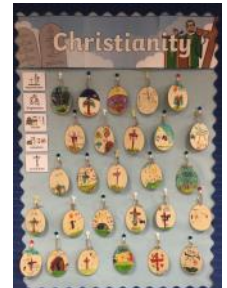


### MAGNOLIA

It has been such a fun week getting to make our Easter bonnets and joining in with the parade.

Magnolia Class have been so excited for the book look as they couldn't wait to show their parents how proud they are of the progress they have made so far this year!

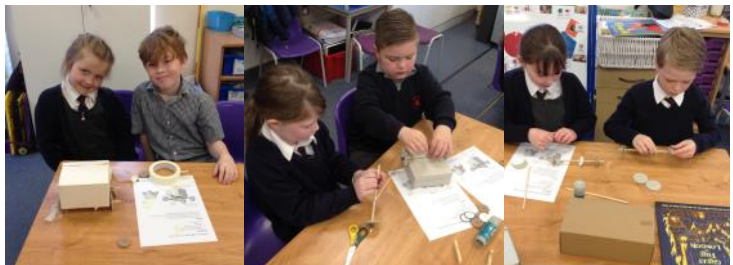
In RE this week, we continued to look at the Easter story. The children created some beautiful Easter egg pendants which are currently on display in the classroom. The class thought about the key parts of the stories and what they could draw as symbols. Some children added key words that they felt were relevant to the story too.



### ELDERBERRY

It has been money, money, money in maths for the for the past few weeks in Elderberry class. The grand finale this week was working out change. Well done to the children for showing their school value of perseverance in this challenging topic.

A huge highlight of the week was DT. The children worked together to investigate four different ways to make axle and wheel mechanisms. They tested each design and evaluated if the wheels and axles worked smoothly. This will inform their own designs to make their own vehicles next week.



## The Week in Photos—Key Stage 2

### ELM

In geography, Elm class explored lines of latitude and longitude and used coordinates to locate volcanoes. After completing this activity, each student received an image of a volcano and conducted research using iPads to gather interesting facts and complete their project. The class thoroughly enjoyed discovering fascinating details, such as learning that one of the volcanoes last erupted just four years ago, and that it's possible to get married atop Mount Fuji!



### WILLOW

The children have been exploring the work of William Morris and have begun designing a piece in his style.

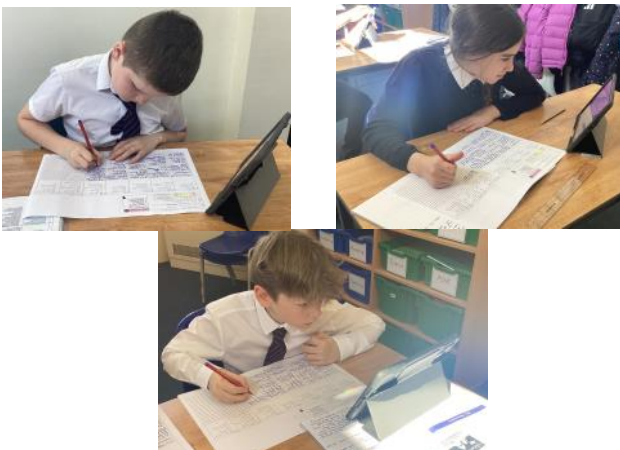
They have used block printing techniques to create repeated patterns. They then practiced their embroidery skills to add embellishments.



### CHESTNUT & OAK

In geography this term, Year 5 and Year 6 have been learning about farming. They have explored different types of farming in the UK, and in climates contrasting to the UK. This week they learnt about food miles and the processes involved in transporting farmed goods around the world.

In English, they have been learning to write quotes and have developed their researching skills to gather information and write a plan in preparation for writing a biography about Chris Hadfield.



### Forest School

This week Acorn class learnt how to be safe around tools and used the bow saw for the first time to cut and decorate a wooded disc.

Meanwhile, Elderberry investigated how and why some woodland animals use camouflage.





## Love2Dance

On Monday, eight children from Year 3 and Year 4 attended 'Love2Dance', which is a dance showcase event for primary schools. Our after school dance club learnt two dances which they performed on the stage at the Stag Theatre, Sevenoaks. The children had a wonderful time and it was such a great opportunity for them to build their confidence, resilience and self-esteem. We had some children who had never been on stage before, who were nervous beforehand, but came away asking if they could take part again next year! We are very proud of the children who took part - their dances were fantastic.



### Hever Litter Pick!

Thank you to everyone who came out to help litter pick on the Parish Field last weekend.

Luckily the weather held out and we collected a lot of litter and other interesting items!

Thank you also to all of those who contributed to the refreshments with all proceeds going to the school charity—The Umoyo Community Project.

Thank you!

**School Council**

### 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 summer or winter uniform is worn—not a combination of both. Blue checked shirts should be worn with shorts.

School Office

## Easter Fair

Thank you to everyone who came to the Easter Fair today and thank you to the PTA for organising all of the fun stalls and activities for the children.



# UPCOMING DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sunday
31st March:	1st April: Parent Consultations 3.30-6pm	2nd April:	3rd April: Parent Consultations 5-7.30pm	4th April: <b>LAST DAY OF TERM</b>	Brighton Marathon Support our Year 6 Dads! (see below)

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**Tuesday 22nd April: First day of Term 5**  
**Tuesday 29th April: School Class Photos**  
**Tuesday 13th May: Bore Place Trip (Year 5)**
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## PTA Update

**HEVER HEROES SPONSORED WALK** - Keep the donations coming in! We are almost at £1.5k! Please post your donations in the PTA postbox in front of the school or transfer it on this: <https://www.gofundme.com/f/donate-to-help-me-raise-money-to-further-improve-the-school>

**EASTER FAIR - Friday 28 March 2025** - We hope you had fun today! Thank you so much to all the volunteers. We will draw the winners of the letter hunt this weekend.

**RAFFLE PRIZES/SILENT AUCTION PRIZES TO WIN AT THE BALL** - the more we get the more we raise! Use all your contacts!

**DRESS SWAP** - Do you need a dress for the ball! Join this FB group <https://www.facebook.com/groups/690317403625479/> to swap away!

### Upcoming Dates:

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

**Friday 16 MAY - Maypole Picnic**— An email will come out soon to sign up to dance at our Maypole Picnic. Everyone is invited to enjoy the afternoon whether your child dances or not so make sure you **SAVE THE DATE!**

**SECOND HAND UNIFORM** – Donations – please leave with Mrs Reddaway in the office. If you are looking for something in particular please email Emma:  
[eskorczewski@icloud.com](mailto:eskorczewski@icloud.com)

Have a lovely weekend!

The PTA Trustees xxx  
[heverpta@hever.kent.sch.uk](mailto:heverpta@hever.kent.sch.uk)

**Alex & Dean, The Brighton Marathon.**



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PRIMARY SCHOOL  
BRIGHTON MARATHON**

  
 Scan to donate to Dean's fundraiser  
**"Alex & Dean, The Brighton  
Marathon."**


## 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!