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Headteacher's Message

Dear Parents and Carers

The Lego workshops have been a great success across the school this week with some of our less chatty children really engaging and excelling, which has been lovely to see! Thank you to the PTA for funding our final workshop of the year!

Today we have welcomed our 'mini Acorns' who will be joining us in September. They were all amazing, coming in and settling quickly and happily and, to Miss Winder's delight were great at tidying up! Next week, their new buddies are excitedly looking forward to joining them for their second visit.

Thank you to Matt, Dean and Luke for their time and energy spreading all the bark yesterday. The children were very happy to be back on there today! Thank you also to everyone who has contributed to the advance preparations for tomorrow's big event – our annual summer fete. I know there will be a few final appeals coming out this evening so please contribute if you are able and we look forward to seeing you all tomorrow. Do encourage family, friends and neighbours to join us – it's a great day out and our biggest fundraiser of the year.

See you all tomorrow!

Mrs Bligh

HOUSE POINTS

Congratulations to Eagle!

Eagle 298

Falcon 251

Kestrel 224



Star of the week

Acorn: Jacob & Millie

Magnolia: Willow

Elderberry: Emma

Elm: Issy

Willow: Chloe

Chestnut: Vinny

Oak: Michael

Christian Value of the Week: Belonging

*'God of miracle, provider of daily bread.
Word of life and love, we offer you our thanks.'*

Anon



Golden Book Award

Magnolia: Eleanor, Rupert,
Victor, Cian F, Hazel



Birthdays this week:

Evita, Esme, Isabella S, Mia

Jack N, Olivia, Evie H

Around the school this week...

It was lovely to see the librarians of Oak class leading storytime at lunch time this week in the library.

The younger children who were there were captivated by the storytelling and thoroughly engaged in the session! Well done everyone!



Attendance Cup

Well done

Magnolia class!

98% attendance



Last week's whole school attendance:

95%

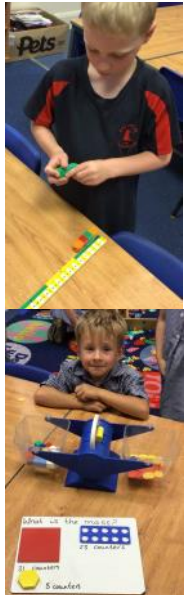
The Week in Photos—Early Years & Key Stage 1

ACORN

Another amazing week of learning with Acorn class!

This week, we've been busy perfecting our letter formations and sentence writing—but the real highlight was exploring the ocean depths through virtual reality! Thanks to the VR headsets kindly lent to us by Sevenoaks School, we had the incredible experience of swimming under the sea. We encountered a whole host of underwater creatures, from whales to dolphins and turtles!

In maths, we've been revisiting our number bonds to 10 in a fun and creative way—by making jellyfish! Each jellyfish had colourful paperchain tentacles, with two different colours representing the pairs of numbers that make 10. Many skills were developed through practising teamwork, fine motor coordination, and identifying numerical patterns.



MAGNOLIA

We have focused lots on practical maths this week to help us understand measurement. Magnolia class have been learning about height, length, mass, volume and capacity!

The children have used non-statuary units of measure such as blocks as well as accurate measurements with rulers to find the length and height of different objects. The class then experimented with balance scales to compare the mass of objects.

Finally, we used a range of containers to see which had the greater capacity. It was great to see so many of the children engaged and making careful observations!

ELDERBERRY

Recently in English the children helped the character Billy decide if he should go back and talk to the giant after he was scared and ran away. We carried out a 'Conscience Alley' reading him pros and cons to help him decide.

The highlight of the week was the Lego workshop where the children learned how to program a model they had created to spin, change colour and make sounds.



The Week in Photos—Key Stage 2

ELM

Elm class have been diving into the fascinating world of *light* in science. As part of their exploration, a carousel of hands-on activities was set up both inside the classroom and in the outdoor area.

This week, the children used torches with coloured filters to investigate how shadows are formed. They discovered that while a typical shadow appears grey due to white light being blocked using coloured lights or multiple sources can create shadows in varying shades and hues.

One activity that truly captured their curiosity involved a two-way mirror placed on the classroom door. Looking out from the dimly lit classroom into the bright hallway, the children could see through the mirror film. But when they looked back from the well-lit corridor into the darker room, they saw only their reflections sparking plenty of discussion and wonder.

The standout moment was sunlight printing using cyanotype paper. The children watched as areas of the paper exposed to sunlight turned dark blue, while sections shaded by objects remained light. This magical transformation happens thanks to a special chemical coating that reacts to light a perfect way to see light's impact in action.



WILLOW

We had the most fantastic afternoon working with Nick from *JuniorSTEM!* The children thoroughly enjoyed designing and building their own creations, then taking it a step further by programming algorithms to bring them to life.

They explored how to make their creations move, produce sounds, display pictures, and even change colours. A key part of the learning was discovering that multiple algorithms could run simultaneously – for example, one for flashing lights, another for sound effects, and a third to control movement.

The children then followed 30 steps to create a lion and added algorithms to make it stand up and sit back down.

It was a brilliant hands-on way to develop computational thinking and creativity.

A huge thank you to Nick for such an inspiring session!



CHESTNUT

Chestnut class enjoyed an exciting and inspiring LEGO workshop this week. As part of the session, the children had the opportunity to build their very own fairground rides using LEGO kits.

They then used coding skills to bring their creations to life! With great enthusiasm, they programmed their rides to spin, light up, and even make sounds. They worked excellently in pairs, using problem-solving skills as they tested and improved their designs.

The children found the session engaging and had a brilliant time exploring coding and engineering in such a hands-on, interactive way.



OAK

This week, Oak class welcomed two local police officers for an informative session all about preparing for secondary school. The talk covered a range of important topics to help the children feel more confident about the transition. The officers spoke about travelling to school safely and independently, and gave helpful tips on how to look after themselves and their belongings.

They also discussed the age of criminal responsibility, and the importance of making sensible choices. The children learned about being a good bystander, how to support others in difficult situations, and the importance of using social media safely and respectfully.

The session ended with an interactive scenario quiz where the children demonstrated the correct action to take in each situation.





Forest School

This week Acorn class went on a pirate adventure, setting sail in their pirate ships and following the treasure map to find the hidden booty on Forest School island!

Meanwhile Oak class learned some woodworking skills to craft a memento from our felled hever oak to remember their time at Hever School.



TRINITY
THEATRE
presents

Nativity!

The Musical



OPEN AUDITIONS FOR CHILDREN AND ADULTS

Sparkle and shine on the Trinity Theatre stage as part of our big Christmas musical!

We are looking for a community cast to perform in the incredibly fun and Christmassy show based on the hit film starring Martin Freeman.

Could you be our Mr Poppy? Our Jennifer? Or one of Mr Maddens' or Mr Shakespeare's pupils?

We are looking for actors aged 7 - 107 to be part of this magical Christmas treat.

AUDITIONS: SAT 5 JULY
trinitytheatre.net/nativitycast

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Weekend	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Saturday: SCHOOL FETE!	30th June:	1st July: Bore Place Trip — Year 6	2nd July:	3rd July: Hever Castle Trip — Year 1 & 2	4th July: Reception Starters Stay & Play 2/2 9.30am & 1.45pm
★	Tuesday 8th July: Year 3 & 4 Trip to Hever Castle Thursday 10th July: KS2 Triathlon—Hever Castle				★

EMMA'S KITCHEN

Term 6's lunch menu & ASC menu is now 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 remember to book your child's school lunches on ParentMail. That way, if your child is at an appointment in the morning we will know that they should have a school lunch that day.

School Office

PTA Update

Tomorrow is FETE DAY! We are looking forward to seeing you all on the Parish Field!

Please support us in any way you can. Set up and take down are always a massive operation so please help us!

SCHOOL FETE RAFFLE

Raffle tickets can be bought (and returned if you already have them!) to the Raffle Stand tomorrow—lots of fabulous prizes to be won—see the attachment for details!

SECOND HAND TEDDIES / TOYS

Please bring any more second hand teddies and toys to the stand at the fete tomorrow!

CAKES FOR CAKE STALL

There is still time to bake! Please bring your creations to the stand tomorrow labelled with ingredients and **please remember no nuts please!**

This is a huge event for the school and last year it made over £4000 profit, please come and support and bring your friends and families. The Summer Fete is not just a fundraiser, it is a great community event and a lovely family day out.

SEE YOU ALL ON THE PARISH FIELD TOMORROW!!

Don't forget the suncream!

The PTA Trustees xxx

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HEVER SCHOOL FÊTE SCHEDULE

11:30 Fete opening with a singing performance by Erin Harding
12:00 Hever School maypole dancing
12:15 Hever School dance club led by Cascade Dance
12:30 Gymspire cheerleading showcase
12:45 Name that birdsong competition
13:00 Football mini-match / Music from Treble in Paradise
13:45 Hever Hobby Horse Championships
14:15 Hever Crafts sponsored by Carewell Vets
14:45 Hever School garland dancers
15:00 Tug of War
15:15 Grand Raffle Draw

Plus
Mystery
Minecraft
Competition!

Bouncy Castle, Assault Course, Reptile Encounter by Stevie's Scales, All Made by Leigh, Pepper Natural Treats, Anthony Shipwright ECT, The Dancing Bees, DIY Bouquet, WI Hall, Bottle Tombola, Sponge Toss, Pre-loved Toys, Biscuit Decorating, Splat the Rat, Glitter Tattoos, Higher or Lower, Hook a Duck, Pin the Tail on the Squirrel, Guess the Acorns in a Jar, Kids Play Area and Raffle!

Brilliant BBQ, Meze Platter or Vegan Curry from Emma's Kitchen, Ice Creams, 'Sugar Rush' Tea & Cakes and Lucky Stacey's Bar!

SATURDAY 28 JUNE 2025 - 11:30 - 15:30

Fundraising Update

2024-2025

Fundraising Total: £17,700

PROJECTS

Playground: COMPLETE!

Outdoor/Wellbeing

Classroom: £12,712



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HEVER SCHOOL FÊTE

SATURDAY 28 JUNE 2025
HEVER PARISH FIELD
11:30 - 15:30

FREE ENTRY & PARKING