



## MESSAGE FROM MR ROWDEN

This week we are delighted to share that we have submitted all of our evidence for the Wilder Kent Award. Our Eco Team, alongside Mrs Todd and Mrs M, have worked incredibly hard to compile evidence showcasing the many positive actions we take as a school to restore nature and support wildlife.

The Wilder Kent Awards recognise the work schools, businesses and community groups are doing to help create a #WilderKent. By taking meaningful action, we are helping to build a more climate-resilient county, providing vital habitats for wildlife and playing our part in tackling the global environmental challenges we all face.

A huge thank you to our pupils, Mrs Todd, Mrs M, and Miss Satterley for their commitment and dedication in submitting the application. We are keeping our fingers crossed that we can retain the Gold Award we were so proud to achieve last year.

## No Clubs - Wednesday, 4<sup>th</sup> February

Please be aware that due to staff training, there will be no clubs running on **Wednesday, 4<sup>th</sup> February**.

Extended School will run as usual.



## Cross Country Races

All pupils and younger siblings are invited to join the **Blean Runners at Kent College JUNIOR School's Cross Country** events on the following dates:

Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> February: Register before 10am

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> February: Register before 4pm

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March: Register before 4pm

Please arrive early as parking can be very difficult. Sign in, then meet Miss Irons under the tree near the sign-in tables. We really hope to see as many runners as possible. Miss Irons.



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## Year R Creepy Claws Workshop

This term, the children in Year R have been learning about how animals' features help them survive in their habitats. On Friday 6th February, a visitor from Creepy Claws will bring a range of live animals into school for the children to meet.

To cover the cost, we ask for a £4.50 donation per child, payable via the Parent Pay app. Alternatively, you can pay via the card machine in the school office.



## Year 3 Swimming

The payment of £67.45 per child, for Year 3 swimming lessons are due by Friday 13th February 2026. Payment can be made via your ParentPay account or at the school office using the card machine. You may choose to pay in full or in instalments. If you have any difficulties making the payment please contact the school office.



## Year 6 Activities Week

The remaining balance for the Year 6 Activities Week is available on your ParentPay app. To make things easier, we have set up an instalment option should you prefer to pay in smaller amounts rather than in full. Alternatively, you can make payment using the card machine in the school office.

Please note that the **deadline for payment is Friday, 1st May 2026**.

If you are experiencing any difficulty with the cost of this trip but would still like your child to attend, please contact the School Business Manager in confidence to discuss possible support.



## Inclusive Sports Event

On Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> January, The Canterbury Academy, hosted a Primary Inclusive event. Over 80 children from 9 local Primary Schools attended. This was an event aimed at introducing various sports that included cricket, boccia, archery, badminton, boxing and volley glide. Thank you to our Boccia leaders who helped to run the event, you represented the school wonderfully.





# CUP WINNERS

## This week's Cup Winners are...

**Catman** - **Maya-Rose** for a wonderful piece of art.

**Pettman** - **Harry** for demonstrating all of our school values.

**Dore** - **Immi** for working hard in English to think of adjectives.

**King** - **Maria** for making amazing progress in your phonics.

**Bailey** - **Elsa** for working so hard on her spelling and using her try it out book so well.

**Cooper** - **Alex** for a secure grasp of x and ÷ facts.

**Moses** - **Nancy** for always demonstrating excellent learning behaviours.

**Russo** - **Yousef** for showing confidence and poise when demonstrating the back stroke in swimming.

**Barnes** - **Holden** for excellent English writing.

**Delahunt** - **Lara** for excellent spelling & grammar work – especially personification.

**Denly** - **Chrysanthos** for showing great curiosity during learning and becoming more confident in classroom discussions.

**Gurnah** - **Etienne** for an amazing Norse Myth & **Henry** for top quality Maths work.

**Shariff** - **TJ & Dusty** for showing great improvements in writing.

**Thomas** - **Robyn** for excellent contributions to our English work this week.

**Evergreens** - **Rosie** for being resilient and having a good Forest School session.

We are pleased to inform you that this week's attendance winners are...

**Year 4**  
**98.9%**

We are pleased to inform you that this week's attendance House winners are...

**Rowan**  
**96.4%**

We are pleased to inform you that this week's Walk once a Week winners are...

**Year - 5 Gurnah Class**  
**24 children**

# DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

[For term dates please click here.](#)

Term 3	05.01.2026 - 13.02.2026
Year 3 Swimming Lessons	06.02.2026
Second Hand Uniform Sale	06.02.2026
Year 6 1940's Day	09.02.2026
Year 6 Parent Share	09.02.2026
<b>Last Day of Term 3</b>	<b>13.02.2026</b>
<b>Inset Day - School Closed</b>	<b>23.02.2026</b>
First Day of Term 4	24.02.2026

### Inset Days 2025/26

01.09.2025 19.12.2025  
23.02.2026 20.07.2026  
21.07.2026

### P.E Days

**EYFS** - Thursday  
**Year 1** - Wednesday & Thursday  
**Year 2** - Wednesday & Friday  
**Year 3** - Tuesday & Friday (Swimming)  
**Year 4** - Monday & Friday  
**Year 5** - Monday & Thursday  
**Year 6** - Monday & Friday

### Forest School Dates

**Year 3**  
**Moses** - 9<sup>th</sup> Feb  
**Russo** - 2<sup>nd</sup> Feb  
  
**Year 4**  
**Barnes** - 10<sup>th</sup> Feb  
**Delahunt** - 3<sup>rd</sup> Feb  
  
**Year 5**  
**Denly** - 13<sup>th</sup> Feb  
**Gurnah** - 6<sup>th</sup> Feb  
  
**Year 6**  
**Shariff** - 11<sup>th</sup> Feb  
**Thomas** - 4<sup>th</sup> Feb

### Additional P.E. Days

3rd February - Years 4 & 5