



Newsletter Friday 7th November 2025

Headteacher News

It has been a real pleasure to welcome everyone back this week. The warmth, smiles and gentle buzz of conversation across the playground each morning have been wonderful to see – full of holiday tales and rested faces from both children and staff!

The children have settled straight back into school life with such positivity and focus, quickly re-establishing our routines and expectations. Their behaviour and kindness towards one another have really stood out, and the atmosphere around school has felt calm, happy and purposeful.

This week marked the end of our new parent tours. We have met some lovely new faces and and we couldn't have been prouder of our children. Our choir opened each tour session with a beautiful song and sang their hearts out. This set the tone perfectly, while our Year 6 speakers and tour guides spoke with confidence, enthusiasm, and real pride in their school. They truly

embodied what it means to be a Loose pupil – respectful, self-assured and full of belief in themselves. Watching them shine was a reminder of just how special our school community is.

Our nursery build is also progressing quickly. The fencing, flooring and main amenities are now almost complete, and decoration is planned in the coming weeks. Suddenly, it is taking the shape of a wonderful place for our EYFS to start and we will soon be announcing details of how to register your interest. It won't be long before we meet our very first starters – an exciting new chapter for Loose!

Next week, we will come together as a whole school for our Remembrance gathering. This is always a poignant and reflective moment, as we stand together on the playground to pay our respects and lay our class wreaths. We will be sharing names of local people who lost their lives in the wars as a reminder of the importance of our community and reading some poems too.

Finally, as the weekend approaches, we hope you all enjoy the local firework displays. We look forward to seeing many of you at the PTA event here at Loose – please stay safe and have a wonderful time.



Facebook

Our Official Loose Primary School Facebook page has reached 500 followers!

"Like" and "follow" our Facebook page to join us, stay informed and see exclusive content.

<https://www.facebook.com/share/1CZ3owsdi9/>

The platform is dedicated to celebrating the many wonderful aspects of our school, showcasing the fantastic achievements of our pupils, and sharing highlights of their daily learning adventures. Through this page, we aim to keep our community connected and informed about the vibrant life of our school. Please note, however, that this page is not intended as a channel for direct communication. For queries or concerns, we kindly ask that you continue to use our usual methods of contact. Thank you for joining us in celebrating the incredible work of our pupils and staff.



Diary Dates

Term 2

07/11 PTA Firework Event

10/11 Anti-Bullying Week

11/11 Remembrance Day

14/11 Children in Need - theme is casual dress for a donation to Just Giving Page - wear yellow/spots

14/11 PTA Meeting Swan Pub 7.30pm

17/11 Road Safety Week

17 & 18/11 Road Safety Workshops for Year 3 & 4 children

18/11 Parents Evening Consultations 4-7pm - CHANGE OF DATE

20/11 Parents Evening Consultations 4-7pm

25/11 Coral Class Assembly 9am Orchard Hall - families invited

27/11 Amber Class Assembly 9am Orchard Hall - families invited

28/11 PTA KS1 Disco

02/12 Jade Class Assembly 9am Orchard Hall - families invited

04 & 05/12 PTA Christmas Gifts

09/12 Year R Nativity Performance to parents 9.30am

11/12 Christmas Lunch & Christmas Jumper Day for Save the Children

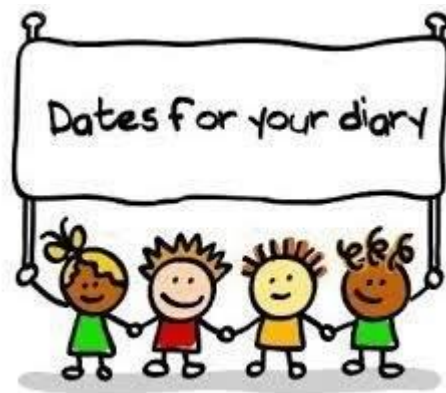
11/12 Year R Nativity Performance to parents 9.30am

12/12 Piano & Guitar Assembly Orchard Hall 2.15pm - parents invited

12/12 Staff Panto for children

19/12 Christmas Services at All Saints Church, Loose

19/12 Last day of term - children back to school 05/01/2026



Year 5 Trip

What an amazing day Year 5 had yesterday at The Science Museum in London.

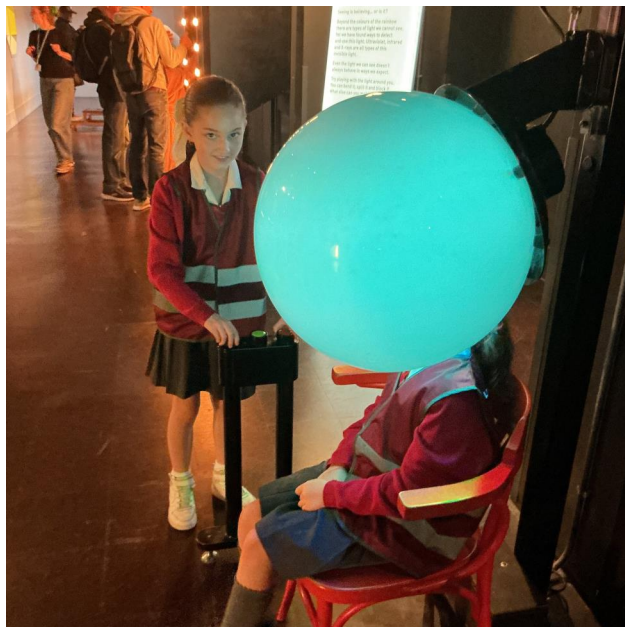
The children were very excited to get the train into London, which was smooth and enjoyable.

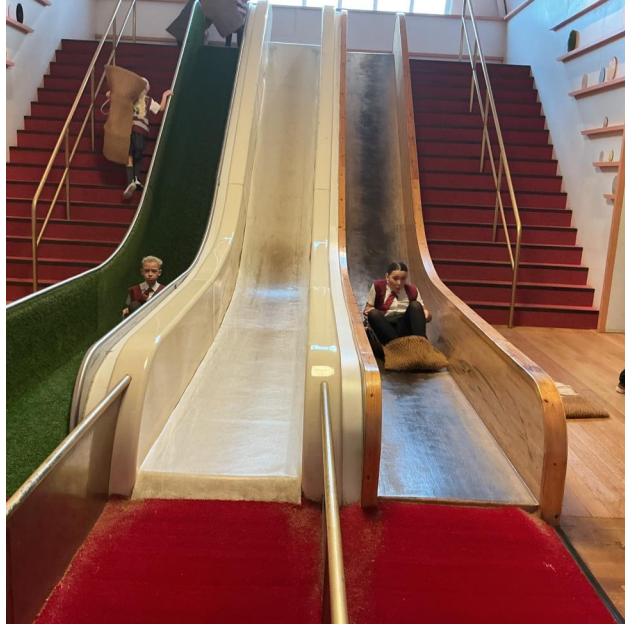
At the Science Museum the children visited the space gallery and saw items that had been in space, and a piece of the moon that was 3 billion years old! They spent time in the Wonderlab where it was hands on science throughout. Children went down three different slides, one made of grass, one made of wood, and one made of plastic, they whizzed down at different speeds. The flight gallery was another highlight where they saw plans across the ages and saw the first plane that flew over the Atlantic, it took 16 hours, and the wings were covered in canvas!

The children were a credit to the school, and we had comments from the science museum staff of how well behaved they were!

Thank you to all the staff and parent helpers that made this trip possible. A great day had by all!













Children In Need - Friday 14th November

Next Friday, 14th November, children are invited to come to school in casual dress for a donation to Children in Need. It's the 25th anniversary of this amazing charity. The theme is

yellow and/or spots if you have it but don't buy anything new. Click on the link below to donate via the charity's Just Giving Page - **please don't bring cash into school.**

https://www.justgiving.com/page/loose-primary-school-10?utm_medium=FR&utm_source=CL

Lets try and raise as much money as possible and have a fun day!



Harvest Donations - Vine Church Food Bank

A huge thank you for all the donations we received for Harvest. The Vine Church have been very grateful and these will help lots of local families through hard times. We got a lovely letter from them which we have attached.



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Mr T North
Headteacher
Loose Primary School
Maidstone
Kent
ME15 9UW

3rd November 2025

Dear Mr North,

I wanted to write and say a very big thank you for the very generous donation of food at harvest time for our food bank based at Shepway. As you can imagine now, our food bank can get very busy and it's good to support people from the community from all walks of life. It is a privilege to be able to provide some support and care for people who are going through tough times.

We are very grateful to you all for your support.

Please can you pass on our thanks and kind regards to everyone involved.

Yours sincerely

PP Angle Crowe
Community & Projects Coordinator
On behalf of The Vine

Shout Out

Steve A (Coral) has been Karting for just over a year now, and has finally passed his ARKS test (Racing License Test) meaning he will now race at National level in 2026. At 4 Club level races across Kent, he has finished in 2nd place 3 times and a 3rd place once. He will be competing at Buckmore Park this year in their Christmas Cup race. Amazing achievement Steve well done!



Shout Out

Joshua L (Jade) and Aaron L (Sapphire) and their dad Michael were part of over 100 participants who took part in a 24hr Brazilian Jiu Jitsu 'grapplingthon' at Infinity BJJ in Maidstone raising over £2,000 for the charity Breast Cancer Now. The event was organised by the gym co-owner Natalie Burr who was recently diagnosed with breast cancer and is actively receiving treatment. Well done to all involved!



Shout Out

On 1 and 2 November, Evie S (Onyx) achieved player of the day in both her tennis training and hockey tournament. She has shown such commitment to her sports, and is seeing the benefit of her hard work. A huge well done Evie!



Shout Out

Harper P (Amber) performed in two shows at the Hazlitt theatre last weekend. After performing her 4 dances and being in charge of a 3 year old for two of them, all her friends and family commented on how very confident she looked and how excellent her cartwheels were! Her family were very proud - a huge well done Harper!



Shout Out

Well done to Freddie H (Tanzanite) who plays for Bearsted U7's and was made captain of the team, scored his first league goal and was awarded man of the match this week! He was so proud of himself. He brought the trophy in to class for 'show and tell'. A huge well done Freddie!



Loose winners in both Hockey competitions 🏆🥅

On Tuesday 14th October Loose primary School attended the Maidstone Primary hockey competitions, Yr4 (am) and Yr5&6 (pm)

The children were amazing individually, and also as a team, showing of their skills.

These children were unbeaten both morning and afternoon and in 7 minutes won games up to 5-0!

They played well, represented their school with brilliant behaviour, three cheers for the opposition and also thanking the umpires, they worked so hard for each over.

The attached photos show how excited they were to all win 🏆 medals.

I'd like to thank Mrs Smith, for helping me in the afternoon and parent helpers, Sarah Sutton, Nikki Lumbard and Lizzie Mclintock who helped out all day, thanks ladies, we couldn't have done it without your help and support.

one very proud Sports Coach

Miss Carter





September 2026 Year R Applications

If you have a child starting in Year R in September 2026, Primary Admissions have requested parents read all the information on their webpage www.kent.gov.uk/primaryadmissions which includes their Admission to Infant, Primary & Junior School in Kent 2026 Booklet.

The admissions team have requested that parents apply online as this is the simplest and most secure method of application. This can be done on www.kent.gov.uk/ola where you will receive an acknowledgment for your completed application directly from the admissions team. You can also go online and amend your application at any time and resubmit it up to the deadline date.

Online applications open at 9.00am on the 7th November 2025. The deadline for online applications is midnight on 15th January 2026.

Notes for your information:-

- If you apply online you **must not** also then complete a paper form.
- Put your schools in the order you would like to attend. If the schools you have chosen cannot offer you a place KCC will find the nearest school to your home which still has a space and offer you that one.
- Loose Primary School LA Number is 886 & DfE number is 2044.
- Other DfE numbers are in the KCC booklet, in the column after the name of the school.
- Admissions have advised that you should put more than one school down, as if they cannot offer you that school, they will allocate your child a school place once all other applications that have more than one preference have been considered, and you may end up with a school several miles from where you live.

- For the question “Will you have any other children attending this school?” please list the names of any children who already attend Loose Primary School ***except for pupils in Year 6 as they will have left by September 2026.***

All places at Loose Primary School are allocated by the Primary Admissions Team who will email you after 4pm on offer day, 16th April 2026, allocating you one school place per child. You will also be able to go online and see what school you have been allocated after 5pm that day. You must accept or decline this offer by Thursday 30 April 2026.


If you have any questions about the process please contact Mrs Thomson in the school Office.


Loose Primary School PTA Newsletter

PTA NEWSLETTER


Loose Primary School PTA – Bringing Our School Community Together

Laser Fireworks Night – Tonight!

 Friday 6th November

 Gates open: 6:00 pm Show starts: 7:15 pm

Join us for an unforgettable evening of lights, music, and family fun!

 Play our PTA games, enjoy snacks and drinks, and treat yourself to a tasty meal from Richy Rolls, who will be serving up hot food.


Come early to get a good spot for the laser fireworks show!

Next PTA Meeting & Christmas Gift Wrapping

 Thursday 20th November

Get into the festive spirit and lend a hand with Christmas gift wrapping for our pupils! This is a lovely way to meet other parents and help make the holiday season magical for the children.

Everyone is welcome — whether you can stay for the whole session or just pop in for a while.

 Can't make it on the night? No problem!

You can still help by wrapping gifts at home.

✉ Please contact volunteers@loosepta.co.uk to get involved.

❄️ **KS1 Winter Wonderland Disco**

Tickets on sale soon!

More information will be shared on Thursday 14th November.

Our KS1 children can look forward to an evening of festive dancing, games, and winter sparkle!

💡 Volunteers make these events possible — if you can help with setup, refreshments, or supervision, please email:

✉ volunteers@loosepta.co.uk

🌿 **Christmas Wreath Making Workshop**

📅 Tuesday 2nd December ⌚ 7:00 pm – 9:30 pm

🎀 Hosted by Katie from Flowercraft

A relaxing and creative evening for adults! Design and make your very own festive wreath to take home. Enjoy a glass of mulled wine and a mince pie while crafting in great company.

📅 Spaces are limited, so book early to avoid disappointment:

👉 <https://loosepta.co.uk/christmas-wreath-making/>

🌈 **Rainbow Hamper Christmas Raffle**

📅 Thursday 12th December

Local businesses are donating colour-themed hampers for our festive raffle!

📅 Tickets will be on sale soon.



Correct Contact Details

extended.services@loose-primary.kent.sch.uk - please use this email address for **ALL** extended services bookings/queries/requests etc. Please **do not email the office with these**.

absence@loose-primary.kent.sch.uk - please use this email for all absence related matters including illness and hospital appointments and holiday notifications.

office@loose-primary.kent.sch.uk - use this for all other emails and urgent matters

Phone Number 01622 743549



Maidstone Museum Young Artist Award

Young Artist Award (The MMF Art Prize) (Exhibition 4 February to 13 June 2026)

The Young Artist Award is an art competition run by The Maidstone Museums' Foundation (MMF) and is open to young artists from Kent and Sussex to help encourage the talent and skill of our young artists.

Using this year's theme of 'Places', students are welcome to submit up to three artworks (£10 per submission) for consideration in the competition. This theme can be interpreted in any way the students wish in 2D or 3D works. Unfortunately, we cannot accept any digital or photographic works. Each entry has the chance to win £150 or £100 for the runner up in each category of age 14 and under and age 15 to 25.

The closing date for submissions is 23 November 2025. More information and an entry form can be found [here](#). Entries are submitted directly via this link and not to be handed into the school.

Follow us on Instagram @Maidstoneyaa #YAAPlaces for some inspiration. If you have any questions, then please contact me. We look forward to seeing submissions from your students soon!



Community News



Join our Table Tennis Club



It is a very caring and nurturing club.



GIRLS WANTED!
Ever tried table tennis? We're looking for more girls to join our friendly club!

- **TTE-Qualified Coaches** for junior coaching, every Tuesday.
- **Open Practise** session and friendly game play on Tuesdays and Thursdays for all.
- **£25 a month!** (only £3 an evening)

To enquire about membership,
<https://maidstonetc.co.uk>
contact Bruce.
bruce.benge@yahoo.co.uk
07502219362

Junior Coaching
Tuesdays 18:30 - 20:00

Open Sessions
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Thursdays 19:00 - 22:00

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BB's TIMETABLE NEW FROM JUNE 2025

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
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