



Newsletter Friday 21st November 2025

Headteacher News

It is amazing just how quickly time flies by us. I often think that time in schools works differently and in a small blink, it passes. Children seem to grow up so fast, and our Reception children are already proof of this. I had lunch with some of them today and you wouldn't know they have only been in school for just over a term. They were confident, social, extremely well-mannered and an absolute delight. I also spent a little time with our Year One children, and again, you can clearly see just how much character development is happening here. They were as mature, articulate and very aware of their learning.

Children often surprise us in school and the moments they create are cherished.. During Hot Chocolate Friday today, we noticed that one of the children's names was palindromic — it reads

the same backwards as it does forwards. I asked for more examples and she knew one straight away... "Ava," she proudly announced.

Character development is what we strive for. Our work in Forest School, OPAL play, our citizenship experiences and our wider enrichment offer all play a huge part in strengthening this. Just last Friday we opened our doors to the community to celebrate the Anti-Bullying project. The effort that the children put into their mini-projects was clear to see. The kindness they showed through their work and the promises they made to each other truly highlight its importance. The children shared this experience again on Monday morning, with all KS2 classes touring the exhibition. They signed our pledge and took a friendship band to represent their promise. A huge thank you to Miss Wood for organising it and for helping our children grow in this way.

I would also like to extend a heartfelt thank you to all our parents and carers for attending Parents' Evening. It was wonderful to see so many of you in school, celebrating your children's progress, speaking with staff, and taking the time to connect with us and with one another. These moments help us build a stronger sense of community and partnership. My sincere thanks also go to our dedicated teachers, who stayed late and continue to care greatly about your children and their learning and of course to the wonderful community member that delivered the caramel shortcake slices to keep us all going. Delicious!

It won't be long before Christmas is upon us. Rumours of a Nativity forming in Year R are all around us, and the children are definitely up to something. Soon there will be a bright star hanging above the Christmas trees!

Please remember to wrap the children up warm as they come to school; jumpers are a must too. If they are cycling, please also ensure lights are on the bikes and helmets worn as it is dark and visibility low.

My warmest wishes and thanks for your ongoing support and challenge,

Trevor



Diary Dates

Term 2

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 06/01/2026

Term 3

05/01 Staff Training Day

12/01 Family Trust Assembly KS1

14/01 KS2 Church Assembly

15/01 Closing date for applications for Year R Intake in September 2026

16/01 Year 2 Architect Visit

20/01 Sunstone Class Assembly Orchard Hall 9am - families invited

22/01 Year 1 Phonics Workshop

27/01 Topaz Class Assembly Orchard Hall 9am - families invited

28/01 KS2 Church Assembly

03/02 Amethyst Class Assembly Orchard Hall 9am - families invited

05/02 Diamond Class Assembly Brook Hall 9am - families invited

06/02 KS2 PTA Disco

09/02 Children's Mental Health Week

10/02 Safer Internet Day

11/02 Maidstone Museum Exhibition starts - more info will follow

11/02 KS2 Church Assembly

12/02 Sapphire Class Assembly Brook Hall 9am - families invited

13/02 Last day of term - children return to school 23rd February



Hot Chocolate Friday

A huge well done to the children that were nominated last week and this for Hot Chocolate Friday. Your teachers are very proud of you!







Remembrance Wreaths

The children made some wonderful class wreaths for our Remembrance Service on the 11th November.





Children In Need - Friday 14th November

A huge thanks for all your donations for children in need. We raised a massive **£1055** for this amazing charity!



Coats

As the weather turns more autumnal, we want to ensure all children can keep warm and dry when they go outside for break or lunch. **Please make sure your child brings a coat to school every day regardless of the weather** - remember to clearly name it — we already have quite a few unlabelled coats in lost property!



Ethic of Excellence Awards

Week ending 14th November

Diamond Class - Teddy W

Sapphire Class - Ethan B

Moonstone Class - Jensen A

Tanzanite Class - Robyn H

Aquamarine Class - Hudson K

Turquoise Class - Ivy K

Coral Class - Lewis W

Amber Class - Conor F

Jade Class - Leo Fisher

Emerald Class - Harper G

Onyx Class - Henry P

Ruby Class - Rupert H

Topaz Class - Jax A

Sunstone Class - Lily McD

Amethyst Class - Stanley T

Peridot Class - Micah A

Zultanite Class - Jesse-James A

Quartz Class - Jemima G

Week ending 21st November

Diamond Class - Poppy F

Sapphire Class - Willow W

Moonstone Class -Jensen A/Arla F

Tanzanite Class - Brendan H

Aquamarine Class - Dinethree R

Turquoise Class - Mya-Rose S

Coral Class - Ruby H

Amber Class - Shona H

Jade Class - Benjamin E

Emerald Class - Florence N

Onyx Class - Eliza R

Ruby Class - Sienna B

Topaz Class - Otilia D

Sunstone Class - Zach J

Amethyst Class - Bella W

Peridot Class - Kelsey M

Zultanite Class - Gigi M

Quartz Class - Rian K



Forest School

Year 5 have had two fantastic sessions so far at Forest School. Last week the children were introduced to the hammocks, and attempted to light little fires! This week they used palm drills to drill holes in wooden discs to create spinners. The children were great especially in the cold yesterday. Forest School is definitely a place full of imagination and creativity,







Versatility Netball Tournament

On Wednesday 12th November, 8 girls from Year 6 attended the Versatility Netball Tournament at Dulwich Prep School. They did some training drills and then split into teams with girls from other schools in the area to play a series of matches. Our girls won medals for the most improved player, the most valuable player and having the best team spirit within their teams. They interacted confidently and respectfully with children that they didn't know from other schools and demonstrated all of our school values throughout the afternoon. They were all shining representatives of Loose Primary School and I was incredibly proud to be there with them.



Shout Out

Evie S (Onyx) played in her first singles tennis tournament this weekend and achieved 2nd place in her group. We are very proud of her achievements! Well done Evie!



Shout Out

During the half term Emily G (Emerald) took part in England Academy Roller Hockey training in Burwell, Cambridge. This was the second training session she has had with the England Academy and will be going to Portugal for a weeks training in the new year. Emily plays for Herne Bay Roller Hockey Team for their U11 and U13 teams. How amazing Emily well done!



Shout Out

Billy D (Emerald) last Saturday received both Managers Player and Parents Player awards for his amazing saves whilst playing 2 matches against Bearsted. Maidstone Blacks won their first game 3-0 and won their second game 2-1. Well done Billy!



September 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 opened 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.

 **Thank You for a Successful Fireworks & Laser Show!**

A huge thank you to everyone who attended and supported our very first Fireworks Laser Show!
We're delighted to share that the event made a fantastic **£898 profit** for our school community.

We truly appreciate all the feedback given on the night and are already hoping to make next year's event **even bigger and better**. Watch this space!

 **Year 1 & 2 Winter Wonderland Disco**

Friday 28th November — 3:30pm to 5:00pm

Get ready for a magical after-school disco filled with winter sparkle!

- **Tickets:** £3.50 on the Arbor app
- **On the door:** £4.50

We can't wait to see the children dancing the afternoon away!

 **Christmas Wreath-Making Workshop**

Tuesday 2nd December — 7:00pm to 9:30pm

Join us for a festive evening of creativity and Christmas cheer.

- **£40 per person**
- Includes a complimentary **glass of mulled wine** and a **mince pie**

Last chance to book — limited spaces available!

Secure your place here:

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

 **PTA Christmas Advent Calendar Raffle!** 

Get into the festive spirit with our **PTA Christmas Advent Calendar Raffle!**

We have **3 fantastic LEGO Advent Calendars** up for grabs this year.

 **Tickets: £1 each**

 **On sale: Next Monday and Tuesday after school**

 **Location:** The playground – look for our PTA stall!



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.

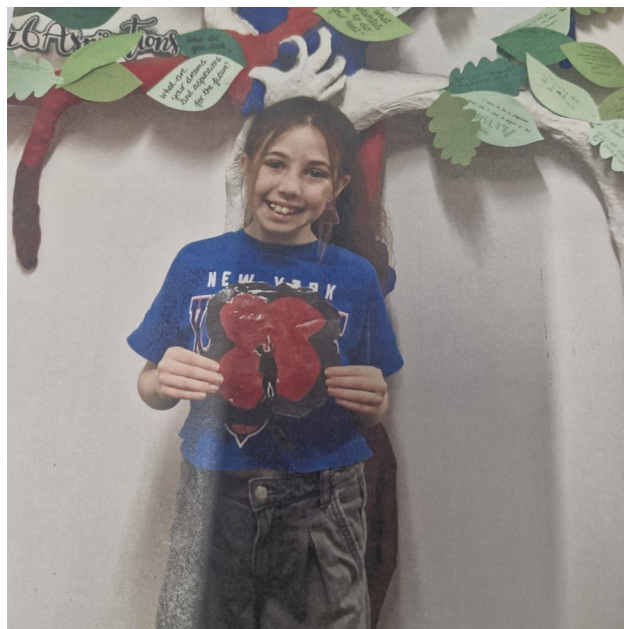
office@loose-primary.kent.sch.uk - use this for all other emails and urgent matters

Phone Number 01622 743549



After School Club Craft

Lennon designed and made this Remembrance Day suncatcher at After School Club. She worked so hard to getting it looking just right. Well done Lennon.





SEN Information

Early Mental Health Support

<https://connect.kooth.com/>

Local organisations – from councils and charities to youth and adult services – play a vital role in supporting wellbeing. But across our communities, the challenges are growing:

- Rising anxiety, loneliness, and low self-esteem
- Increased safeguarding concerns as families struggle to access timely help
- Overstretched services with more people needing support than resources allow
- Gaps between early intervention and specialist care, leaving many to cope alone Early support is essential. It helps prevent crises, builds resilience, and eases pressure on local services. That's where Kooth (for young people) come in. Free, Safe, and Anonymous Mental Health Support – Anytime/anywhere
- No referral needed, no waiting lists
- 24/7 access to self-help articles, journals, and moderated peer forums

- Daily support from qualified practitioners
- Population-wide impact – reducing pressure on schools, health, & social care services
By making mental health support accessible to all, we can build stronger, healthier communities – and allow local organisations to focus their efforts where they're needed most.





Merry Christmas!

December Timetable

All sessions delivered live online via zoom. 90 minutes long

£24 each or FREE with School Membership

Book online at facefamilyadvice.co.uk

Recordings available for 48 hours (excluding Free Talk)



Decreasing Depression	1 DEC 10am
Raising Self Esteem	1 DEC 7pm
Understanding the Teenage Brain	2 DEC 10am
Supporting Healthy Sleep	2 DEC 7pm
Autism - Improving Communication	8 DEC 10am
Improving Family Communication	8 DEC 7pm
Supporting A Child with ADHD	9 DEC 10am
Understanding Addictive Behaviour	9 DEC 7pm
Anxiety Based School Avoidance	15 DEC 10am
Understanding Anger	15 DEC 7pm
Supporting Healthy Screen Use	16 DEC 10am
Facing Defiance	16 DEC 7pm

Music Lessons at Loose with Andy Davis

Would your child like to learn a musical instrument? There are so many benefits for children, some being:

- Increases memory skills
- Builds creativity
- Boosts confidence
- Promotes physical co-ordination
- Improves social skills
- Drums especially can be a powerful therapeutic tool for children with ADHD, helping to improve focus, reduce hyperactivity and enhance overall wellbeing.

Limited spaces available for individual **Drum** or **Singing** lessons for next year, terms 3 & 4.

These are £12 per 20 minute lesson or £18 per 30 minute lesson, payable upfront in 10 or 11 week blocks.

Limited spaces available for group **Guitar** lessons.

These are £10 per 30 minute lesson, payable upfront in 10 week blocks.

(There is also a one off cost for teaching materials for each of these, of either £10 or £15).

For more information and sign up please click on the following link as soon as possible to secure your place:

forms.gle/JpQ6xuVWpxLxrudY7

*Nb. If you are in receipt of **Pupil Premium** then Kent music school offer a limited number of 75% subsidies for children learning with Andy Davis Music. They are currently full but you can put your child's name on the waiting list by clicking on this link and scrolling down to APPLY NOW.*

www.kent-music.com/financial-assistance/



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SINGING

DRUMS

FOR MORE INFORMATION
& SIGN UP PLEASE SCAN





COXHEATH & FARLEIGH JFC

★ RISING STARS ★

SATURDAY MORNING'S

9:00 - 10:00



Our highly successful & well supported **Rising Stars** has returned.

Learn the skills & fundamentals of the game in a safe and friendly environment.

Your pathway into **Coxheath & Farleigh JFC Grassroots Football Teams**, starting at U8's. We are an FA Accredited Club, Established in 1974

All coaches are FA Approved & hold appropriate certification including Safeguarding & 1st Aid Qualification.

Rising Stars Coach - **Daniel Smith** assisted by other coaches on a weekly basis.

Only **£4 per session** - discount for block bookings

- ✔ Boys & Girls Welcome
- ✔ Introduction to Football
- ✔ Skill & Ball Techniques
- ✔ Teamwork, Exercise, Fun & Games
- ✔ Rising Stars T Shirts Available to Purchase



SATURDAY MORNING SESSION - ONLY £4.00
Age : From 4 to 7 years - (Boys & Girls)
Time: **9 am till 10am**
Location: As below



MIDDLE FIELD - THE BEACONS COXHEATH
Location: Off Linden Road Coxheath ME17 4QS

More Details
Coxheath & Farleigh Junior Football Club

More Information
Contact: Neil Hadley or Brady Dodd
Mobile - 07812 004513 or 07777 510571



NEARLY NEW SALE KENT – Sunday 30th November, 2pm – 4pm at Cornwallis Academy, Hubbards Lane, ME17 4HX. Come along and grab a bargain! We have 1000's of great quality baby & children's items, all indoors and sorted into ages (up to 16+), gender & categories for a stress free shopping experience. Entry £1.50 for adults, children are free.

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