



Newsletter Friday 13th February 2026

Headteacher News

What a fortnight of fabulous fun it has been for our children — and what a joy it is to reflect on the energy, enthusiasm and excellence that fills our school every single day.

At the heart of everything we do is a deep commitment to the highest quality of learning, but just as importantly, we want to ensure that in every lesson, every experience, and every opportunity, our children truly feel that their potential is limitless. Our offer is about so much more than academics alone — it is about character development, confidence, curiosity, and the exceptional enrichment that makes school life so memorable.

The past few weeks have been a shining example of this. We have had a few cracking class assemblies, children have enjoyed an incredible trip to the London Sky TV studios with Mr Hogwood, a wonderful visit to the Formula One Williams Team garage in The Grove, and an

exceptional exhibition of excellence at Maidstone Museum. I genuinely could not be more proud of the team effort here and the experiences we are able to offer.

And I must confess... being a Headteacher does sometimes bring me close to a tear. Not because of the woes of the job — but because of the sheer pride I hold for our children. Standing in the museum, watching the children sing the welcome song to the Mayor, surrounded by an array of wonderful learning, I felt my lip tremble and the tear ducts begin to fill. The children were dressed so smartly, stood so tall, and represented our school with such poise and joy... I only wish you could all have seen it. The photos are included below, but please do take the time to visit the museum yourselves and celebrate your school with family and friends. This was a dream we had as a team and Mrs. Malhotra and Mrs. Planck along with Mr. Hursey , our site manager brought it alive. A huge thanks to the museum too. The learning here really does matter and what better way to show it!

Enjoy the content of this week's newsletter and I hope you celebrate the wonder we bring to the children too.

A fortnight of fun, where young minds shine bright,
With learning and laughter from morning to night.
From studios to racing dreams, adventures unfold,
In museums of wonder, our children stand bold.

Warmest wishes,

Mr. North



Diary Dates

Term 3

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

Term 4

23/02 Back to school

24/02 Year 6 Magistrates Talk

24/02 Year R Dinosaur Workshop

25/02 KS2 Church Assembly

25/02 Year 6 Heart Dissection Workshop - not 26th as in previous newsletter

02/03 Secondary School National Offer Day - emails to parents from 4pm

02/03 Year 3 Hazlitt Theatre Workshop

02-05/03 Book Fair after school Monday to Thursday 3.20-4.00pm

05/03 World Book Day - dress up as a book character - see letter for full details

10/03 Parents Evening Consultation 4.00pm until 7.00pm

11/03 KS2 Church Assembly

12/03 Parents Evening Consultation 4.00pm until 7.00pm

12 & 13/03 PTA Mothers Day Gifts - more info to follow

16/03 Neurodiversity Week

17/03 Tanzanite Class Assembly 9am Orchard Hall - families invited

19/03 Turquoise Class Assembly 9am Orchard Hall - families invited

20/03 Comic Relief Day

24/03 Aquamarine Class Assembly 9am Brook Hall - families invited

25/03 KS2 Church Assembly

26/03 Moonstone Class Assembly 9am Brook Hall - families invited

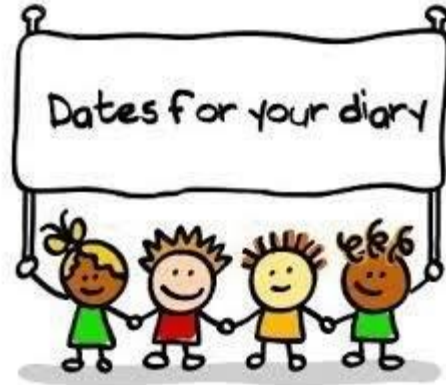
27/03 Maidstone Museum Exhibition closes

27/03 PTA Easter Trail Event after school

30/03 Fizz coming in for Year 6 Class and individual photos

02/04 Easter Services All Saints Church Loose

02/04 Last day of term - children due back 20th April



F1 Williams Trip

What happens when engineering brilliance meets teamwork and a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity? You get an unforgettable day at the **Williams Racing Garage in Grove!** 🚗 ➡️

Our F1 competition winners swapped the classroom for the fast lane, diving into a world of cutting-edge STEM, rich Formula 1 history and even taking on the thrill of the F1 simulators (future drivers in the making, perhaps?!).

With Loose generously offered these exclusive spaces by Williams Racing, we were determined to extend the opportunity across the Coppice Trust — because this is what being part of a Trust is all about: **opening doors wider, together.**

Children from across our schools collaborated like real engineers — designing, building and crash-testing their very own race car nose cones before analysing the results. The challenge demanded problem-solving, teamwork, scientific thinking and creativity — proving that what we teach every day in our curriculum has real-world horsepower!

The behaviour? Outstanding.

The engagement? Electric. ⚡

The experience? Truly unforgettable.

Well done, Team Coppice — the future of engineering is looking very bright indeed! 🚗 ✨



NSPCC Number Day 6th February

Loose Primary School proudly took part in NSPCC Number Day, enjoying a fun-filled day of maths and learning for a great cause. Pupils across the school got involved in a range of number-based activities in their classrooms, dressed up as digits and numbers, and worked together on an exciting number treasure hunt. There was lots of excitement, laughter and creativity throughout the day, and it was wonderful to see how much fun everyone had while learning. Pupils also learnt about the important work of the NSPCC and how the charity helps to keep children safe.

As part of the celebrations, we also took part in the national TTRockstar competition. Out of 4,011 schools, Loose Primary finished an impressive 147th for total answers — a top 4% finish nationwide. A fantastic collective effort from everyone involved!

In terms of classes, Sunstone smashed the competition, securing top spot within our school and ranking 426th best class in the country out of 23,238 classes — placing them in the top 2% nationally. An outstanding achievement!

Thank you to all parents and carers for your generous donations and support to help make the day such a success.

We raised a total of £693.00 for the NSPCC which is amazing thank you!

Mr Bedford-Cooper

Number Day 2026

Earrings Taped

A reminder that if you have given your permission for your child's earrings to be taped during PE whilst they are newly pierced you must supply the tape. Please leave some in your child's bag.



World Book Day 5th March 2026

On Thursday 5th March, Loose Primary will be taking part in World Book Day 2026. We are already in the process of planning some exciting activities for the day and more details will follow after half term but we wanted to give you as much notice as possible for one of our most exciting elements to the day – our Book Day dress up. We will once again be inviting the children to **dress up as a character from a book**. We hope that this will continue to promote a love of reading within our pupils as well as inspire some wonderful discussions about books throughout the day. This does not need to be overly complicated or expensive; there are plenty of book characters that involve clothing that you may already have at home. The internet is full of ideas for home-made World Book Day costume ideas if you are in need of any inspiration.

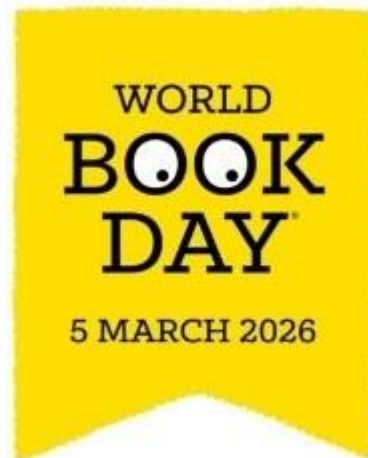
If possible, we would like the children to bring in the book that they are dressed as a character from. Classes will spend some time within the day talking about these books. To celebrate our chosen book characters further, we will be organising a parade through the playground to show off our costumes where a winner will be selected from each year group for the most imaginative and creative design.

To celebrate World Book Day, we will be holding a **book fair in Orchard Hall from Monday 2nd – Thursday 5th March**. Children will take home a book token that can be exchanged to receive £1 off any book at our book fair. Don't forget that every book you buy, helps to get free books for our school!

We will release further details about our plans for World Book Day next term, but for now, get planning those costumes!

Kind regards,

Mrs Spelman and Miss Payne



Hot Chocolate Friday

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



Ethic of Excellence Awards

Week ending 6th February

Pearl Class - Emily B

Opal Class - Oliver G

Crystal Class - Jacob H

Diamond Class - Nyra P

Sapphire Class - Daisy-Belle E

Moonstone Class - Poppy D

Tanzanite Class - Ava S

Aquamarine Class -Azuki W

Turquoise Class - Scarlet H

Coral Class - Steve A

Jade Class - Lennie J

Onyx Class - Mehmet C

Ruby Class - Alice E

Topaz Class - Callum O

Amethyst Class - Charlie L

Peridot Class - Aveyah C

Zultanite Class - Violet W/C

Quartz Class - Oscar A

Week Ending 13th February

Pearl Class - Zoe D

Opal Class - Teddy S

Crystal Class - Isla W

Diamond Class - Ada V

Sapphire Class - Aria L/W

Moonstone Class - Stanley H

Tanzanite Class - Sienna M

Aquamarine Class - Isaac P

Turquoise Class - Darcey S

Coral Class - Bertie H

Amber Class - Theo T

Jade Class - Raphael A

Emerald Class - Florence L

Ruby Class - Tilly-Rose A

Topaz Class - George Y

Sunstone Class - Alex R

Amethyst Class - Martha F

Peridot Class - Mia A

Zultanite Class - Chloe H

Quartz Class - James S



Fundraising by Freddie for Ellenor Hospice

Freddie from Year 2 needs help raising as much money as possible for a charity called Ellenor, a local charity helping people and their families with life limiting illnesses. To be in for a chance to win this big teddy and raise money at the same time, all you need to do is donate a minimum of £2 and submit your best name for the bear with your contact details and the winning name will be announced on the 27th Feb.

You can enter via this link <https://www.justgiving.com/page/wards-trb-ellenor-2026>

Freddie and the bear will also be collecting entries and donations on the 25th February on the KS1 playground at the end of the day and again on the 26th February in the KS2 Quiet Area by the swimming pool so make sure you bring £2 into school or you will be able to scan a QR code & pay that way.

Thank you so much to Mr North and the school for supporting Freddie with this - he is very excited to see how much he can raise!

ellenor.^x

for families facing terminal illness

Help Freddie Raise Funds for *ellenor.*^x

WIN THIS GIANT TEDDY!

Freddie is raising money for *ellenor*, a local charity helping families facing life-limiting illness!

► Donate a **minimum of £2** simply by scanning the QR code, enter your **best name** for the bear, along with your **name & email** for a chance to win! Donations must be made by **26th February**.

GOOD LUCK!

Proudly supported by *Wards*

Football Results Term 3

This term has been another busy and successful one for our Year 5 & 6 footballers. They competed in a tournament in Gillingham, finishing as runners-up against some very strong opposition, as well as taking part in a number of league fixtures. The team have worked incredibly well together and continue to improve each week. They also experienced their first defeat, which we have used positively as a valuable learning opportunity. With another busy Term 4 of football fast approaching, we're excited to see their continued progress and development.

Results:

Loose 4 v 1 Coxheath

Loose 0 v 3 Headcorn

Loose 3 v 0 Tiger

Loose 4 v 0 East Farleigh

Loose 3 v 0 East Farleigh (Cup)

Gillingham FC Tournament- Runners up out of 12 teams.



Athletics Competition

On Wednesday 4th February 25 very excited children attended the sportshall athletics competition for Maidstone at Aylesford School. The children competed in a variety of events such as standing long jump, javelin, speed bounce and chest push alongside track events. The children were incredible, they ran, jumped, and threw for their lives against six other schools. The teamwork and camaraderie were commendable and fantastic to see. Overall the children won the competition by 10 points and received their gold medals. It was a very proud moment for me to see the children who had trained hard during lunchtime, achieve the result that they deserved. A budding photographer in Henry is responsible for all the photographs. Thank you to Mrs Sutton and Mrs Hurst for supporting at the event too. A great day for Loose Primary School.



Sky Studios Trip

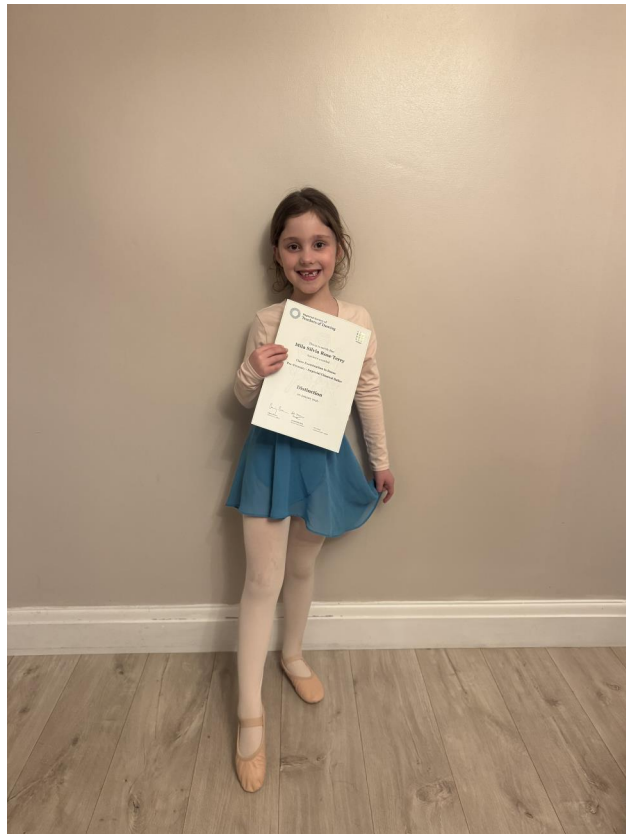
On Tuesday, the 10th of February 21 very excited children met myself and Mrs Ballard at Staplehurst station to travel to Osterley to visit Sky TV Studios. We were very lucky with the weather as we were able to have a stop under the London Eye looking over the Houses of Parliament and the children thoroughly enjoyed the playground. The children made a news report about online safety in four different groups. They were in four different studios with different roles such as director, producer, camera operator, reporter, eyewitness and experts. The children worked fantastically well in their teams to produce their section of the news report. We also got a tour of the studios and saw sky sports news being delivered live. The children were impeccably behaved and a credit to the school. Watch this space to see our news report very soon. Thank you to the to the parents that assisted us on the trip it was a great experience had by all.





Shout Outs

A huge well done to Mila T in Aquamarine who, after conquering her nerves with a smile, went into her ballet exam and performed to her best, which paid off with top marks. Amazing!



Shout Out

Well done to Luvina W (Diamond), Ada-Rose L (Moonstone) and Aria L (Sapphire) who competed in EDC dance competition last weekend.. They won 1st place getting gold medals in cheerleading. A huge well done!



Loose Primary School PTA News

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week, in the lead up to **Random Acts of Kindness Week**, the PTA has been celebrating our wonderful school community.

Here's what we've been up to:

- Delivering home bakes to our fantastic office staff
- Inviting nominations to recognise a special teacher
- Celebrating our children who are *turtley awesome!* 🐢
- Saying thank you to our amazing volunteers

- Showing appreciation to all of our dedicated school staff

If you'd like to continue spreading kindness over half term, why not try a random act of kindness of your own?

Sip and Paint Evening

What a fantastic event! Thank you to everyone who came along and supported us. We are delighted to share that we raised **£245 for our school**.

Watch this space for details of our **Children's Painting Event in the Easter holidays** – coming soon!

PTA Dates for Your Diaries

Mother's Day Gift Shop

Thursday 12th March

Friday 13th March

All gifts £3 each

Easter Trail

Friday 27th March

Parent & Child Easter Wreath Making Workshop

Saturday 28th March

Children's Easter Painting Workshop

Friday 10th April

More details will follow for all events.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

Warm wishes,

The PTA



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



All Saints Church Loose Holiday Club

Calling all children in school years R-6 to join us as we complete challenges, take part in competitions, and go deep into Ancient Egypt and the story of Jospeh. Join us at our Pyramid Dig Holiday Club on 15th, 16th and 17th April 2026 from 9.30am to 3pm, with our final day celebration for families at 3pm on 17th April, and finale service on Sunday 19th April 2025 at 10.30am. “

Booking is essential and places are limited - £18 for 3 days. Book now by completing this form

<https://allsaintsloose.churchsuite.com/events/sqbx08n>



SEN Information



Online FREE talk by Jane Keyworth

Anxiety Based School Avoidance




March 26th 7-8pm



Book online
www.facefamilyadvice.co.uk
go to PARENTS - Live Talks page



All 16 parent talks **FREE** with our School Membership



Online Parent Workshops

Aimed at parents of children in primary school

Understanding Neurodiversity

24/03/2026 - 10:30 - 12:30pm

*Workshop timings change from term to term

Do you have questions about neurodiversity? Maybe you would like to build on your understanding of children's different ways of experiencing the world. Would you like to come and meet with other parents and carers and learn about ways to support your child?

You are invited to a workshop about understanding neurodiversity. We also discuss helpful strategies that you can use at home to help support your child.



If you would like to join, please **ctrl + click** the link below or by entering the Meeting ID and Passcode within Teams:

[Understanding Neurodiversity | Meeting join | Microsoft Teams](#)

Our workshops are held on Microsoft Teams. You can create an account for free. You will need access to the internet. If you have any questions please speak to your child's school. Currently, this workshop is only available to parents/carers of children attending an EWT/EST school. Please speak to your child's school or check our website for our list of schools. If you require materials in another language or have any other access needs then please email:

EWandESTenquiries@nelft.nhs.uk

We look forward to meeting you.



Online Parent Workshops

Aimed at parents of children in school

Understanding Sleep and Autism

Monday 9th March 12:30—13:30pm

*Workshop timings change from term to term

Are you currently experiencing difficulties with your child's sleeping patterns? Maybe your child has received a diagnosis. Would you like to come and meet with other parents and carers and learn about ways to support your child?

You are invited to a workshop about understanding sleeping patterns and autism. We also discuss helpful strategies that you can use at home to help support your child.

If you would like to join, please [ctrl + click the link below](#) or by entering the Meeting ID and Passcode within Teams:

[Autism and Sleep 1 Meeting-Join 1 Microsoft Teams](#)

Our workshops are held on Microsoft Teams. You can create an account for free. You will need access to the internet. If you have any questions please speak to your child's school. Currently, this workshop is only available to parents/carers of children attending an EWT/EST school. Please speak to your child's school or check our website for our list of schools. If you require materials in another language or have any other access needs then please email:

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We look forward to meeting you.



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FEBRUARY 2026 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)

Autism - Improving Communication	2 Feb 10am
Improving Family Communication	2 Feb 7pm
Supporting A Child with ADHD	3 Feb 10am
Understanding Addictive Behaviour	3 Feb 7pm
Anxiety Based School Avoidance	9 Feb 10am
Anxiety Explained	16 Feb 10am
Cannabis and Ketamine Awareness	16 Feb 7pm
What is ACT?	17 Feb 10am
Introduction to OCD	17 Feb 7pm
FREE - Reducing the Harm from Screens	19 Feb 7-8pm
Understanding the Teenage Brain	23 Feb 10am
Raising Self-Esteem	23 Feb 7pm
Decreasing Depression	24 Feb 10am
Supporting Healthy Sleep	24 Feb 7pm
Understanding Anger	9 Mar 7pm
Facing Defiance	10 Mar 7pm

online talk by Jane Keyworth



Supporting a Child with ADHD

Challenging the stereotypes, offering practical support and explaining more about this condition

3rd February 10-11:30am

3rd March 7-8:30pm



Book online

facefamilyadvice.co.uk

£24 or Free with a school membership code





OSI COULD HELP YOU

OSI (Online Support and Intervention) is an online platform designed to help parents to learn tools and techniques to help their child (aged 5 to 12 years old) to overcome difficulties with anxiety.

Parents work through weekly online modules that contain videos, quizzes, and interactive worksheets. Parents are also supported by a weekly telephone/videocall appointment with a practitioner.

You can access OSI at a convenient time for you using any electronic device!



HOW TO ACCESS OSI



If your child attends one of our schools and you feel OSI would be helpful for you and your child, please scan the QR code which will take you to our website and the OSI self-referral form.

Alternatively, if you would like to discuss this further with someone or would like to consider alternative support, please speak with the Senior Mental Health Lead in your child's school.



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We work together with our communities.

NHS
North East London
NHS Foundation Trust



Kent Emotional Wellbeing Teams
Medway Emotional Support Teams

Online Parent Groups

Supporting your child with their emotional wellbeing
For parents of children at primary school


Supporting Your Child with Fears & Worries

Are your child's worries and fears starting to impact their day to day life? This course will provide you with an understanding of how fears and worries develop in children, as well as **evidence-based strategies** and guidance to support your child with overcoming their fears and worries. This online group runs for **6 weeks** and are run regularly throughout the year.

Understanding Your Child's Behaviour

Are you currently experiencing difficulties with your child's behaviour? This course will provide you with evidence-based strategies to promote a **positive relationship** with your child, supporting them with their emotion regulation and addressing any concerning behaviours. This online group runs for **7 weeks** and are run regularly throughout the year.

If you would like to attend one of our groups, email
ewtandestenquiries@nelft.nhs.uk



www.nelft.nhs.uk

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FREE DROP-IN SESSION

This drop-in session will be held at InfoZone Family Hub in Kent 12-1:30pm

It is for parents and carers of autistic people in Kent (diagnosed or on the pathway).

We aim to help families to learn more about autism and the support available to them by signposting to useful resources and learning.

One of our experienced Aspens Family Support Team will help answer questions about autism, how to access support as well as offer guidance and advice.

We hope to see you there!

The InfoZone Family Hub address is: 3 Palace Avenue, Maidstone, Kent, ME15 6NF.

Last Friday of every month.

- We are here to listen to you
- We are here to offer guidance
- Increase your knowledge
- Help you through challenges
- Increase your confidence
- Help you navigate services
- Provide you with skills that last

Lego Club

Dear Parents,

This term kids have had the BEST time in our LEGO® classes! Building all types of motorised models from dinosaurs, fire engines and butterflies to fairground rides and bulldozers. Each term we introduce a NEW theme and each week there is a NEW build for the children to build, explore and experiment with.

At Bricks 4 Kidz our motto is Learn, Build, Play and this is what the kids love to do. We bring the LEGO® to life with our motor functions and use many elements that kids don't have at home.

This is what makes us different.

Next term is now OPEN for booking and we would love to see some new builders join us. There are a few places still available and you can book here to secure your child's place, no spaces are automatically rolled

over <https://uk.bricks4kidznow.com/profile.php?id=7847&ts=1770039179> thank you.

Also, a heads up for our events this month! Please see below:

Sunday 8th February - LOVE LEGO® Adult & Child build event in Kings Hill. Book via our website <https://uk.bricks4kidznow.com/profile.php?id=7847&ts=1770039179>

Monday 16th - Wednesday 18th February - Brick City Engineers 3-day LEGO® STEM course with @Recre8 at Tonbridge School. Please book directly <https://www.recre8courses.co.uk/course-activity/bricks-4-kidz/>

Wednesday 18th - Friday 20th February - Half Term Minecraft LEGO® Camps in Kings Hill, Bidborough and Sevenoaks locations. Book via our website (link above)

Sunday 22nd February - Bat League Heroes and Villains. Sunday LEGO® build session at David Lloyd in Kings Hill. Open to members and non members. Book direct on 01732 222350.

We have lots to offer your LEGO® loving kids this month. Please book soon to avoid disappointment, thank you.

Warm regards,

Caroline and Team

They think it's FUN.
you know it's EDUCATIONAL

SPACES AVAILABLE!

Book NOW

After School

Book via website

TOP 7 REASONS WHY
Kids LOVE Bricks 4 Kidz

- ★ A fun, welcoming space where they feel confident to try new ideas
- ★ Building, creating, and problem-solving with LEGO® bricks every session
- ★ Figuring things out, overcoming challenges, and feeling proud of what they build
- ★ Working with friends, sharing ideas, and building together
- ★ Using their imagination while taking on exciting STEAM challenges
- ★ Learning cool skills like engineering and robotics through play
- ★ Leaving every class feeling happy, confident, and excited to come back

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Where: *Chart Sutton Village hall*

With: **Beth Woodcock**

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HUNTERS**



K-Pop workshop 1:30-2:30pm (R-Yr3) £5

Musical workshop 2:30– 4pm (Y4– Y8) £6

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or book on via our app and register



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WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!



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