



# Newsletter Friday 5th June

## Headteacher News

### **Welcome Back to Our Final Term**

A very warm welcome back to everyone as we begin the final term of the academic year. It already feels like an exciting start, with our Year 6 pupils away on their residential visit. Despite the rain bringing a few additional character-building challenges, the children have been exemplary and the staff fantastic too. I visited this week and was met with huge smiling faces, children encouraging each other to climb up high and some very talented axe throwers. I made the mistake of entering the Nerf room though; the children's accuracy certainly improved when I was a target! Their positivity, resilience, teamwork and enthusiasm have shone through, and it was wonderful to see them embracing every opportunity and having such a fantastic time together.

I would also like to take this opportunity to celebrate another group of pupils who represented our school recently. Members of our choir were invited to perform at the awe inspiring All Saints church in the heart of our town as part of the ceremony welcoming the new Mayor. It was a moment of pride as they sang their hearts out to the congregation of esteemed community members. Harper from Year 4 was invited to speak for the Making of the Mayor ceremony. She spoke with confidence and demonstrated exactly the kind of character and citizenship we are so proud to develop at our school. They were excellent ambassadors for our community and made us all incredibly proud. You can read more about this special event later in the newsletter.

Before we fully turn our attention to the weeks ahead, I wanted to reflect on some of the wonderful moments from the end of last term. It was a real pleasure to welcome our Year R and Year 5 families into school to celebrate the excellent work our pupils have been producing. Our Year R Bug Hunt was a particular highlight. The children's fantastic bug-themed outfits, alongside their impressive learning, were proudly showcased through our woodland walk. It was wonderful to see so many families enjoying the experience and celebrating the children's curiosity and creativity. This was complemented beautifully by the exceptional work completed by Year 5. Their writing about insects was of an incredibly high standard and was brought to life through their DT projects. The creativity, craftsmanship, stitching and attention to detail on display were truly impressive and reflected the care and pride our pupils take in their work.

As we look ahead to this final term, there are many exciting changes and transitions on the horizon. We will be preparing our Year 6 pupils for their move to secondary school, while also welcoming our new Year R children for their transition visits as they begin their journey with us. Alongside this, we continue to prepare for the new academic year, ensuring that everything is in place for a successful start in September. Our assembly this week focussed on the "footprints" we leave behind. A link to determination to excel and thrive and leave a legacy of excellence behind us.

I know many children and families will be keen to hear about teaching arrangements for next year. We are currently finalising plans and will communicate these to you as soon as possible. You may also be pleased to know that Mr Childs, the new headteacher from September, will be joining us every Tuesday to ensure a smooth transition of leadership, familiarisation of how we run as a school and Trust and an opportunity to meet pupils and parents along the way. Do introduce yourselves...

Personally, I am incredibly excited about the term ahead. There is much to look forward to, many opportunities to celebrate, and lots of important milestones still to come. Thank you, as always, for your continued support of the school. I look forward to working with you all over the

coming weeks and, hopefully, enjoying a little more sunshine than our Year 6 pupils have experienced so far!

Trevor North



## Diary Dates

### Term 6

**08-12/06 Year 6 Bikeability all week**

**11 & 12/06 PTA Fathers Day Gifts**

**17/06 New Year R Open Evening 6.30-7.45pm for September intake**

**17/06 Singing Assembly (Andy Davis) - parents invited 9am Orchard Hall**

**18/06 Guitar Assembly 9am Orchard Hall parents invited**

**18/06 Year 6 Parent Workshop secondary transition - 9.15-11.15 Brook Hall more info to follow**

**22 & 23/06 Year 5 & 6 Road Safety Talks**

**24/06 New Year R Transition Sessions**

**25/06 Year 6 secondary transition workshops**

**26/06 PTA Year R Disco**

**26/06 Year 4 Sleepover**

**29/06 Drumming Assembly 9am Orchard Hall families invited**

**02/07 Year 6 Secondary Taster Day, Year R to Year 5 transition day & New Year R Taster Session**

**03/07 Non Uniform Day for donations to the PTA Summer Festival**

**04/07 PTA Summer Festival**

**07/07 Piano Assembly 9am Brook Hall parents invited**

**10/07 Careers Day for Years 5 & 6 - more info to follow**

**14/07 Year 6 Production to parents 2pm**

**15/07 Year 6 Production to parents 2pm & 6pm**

**16/07 Year 6 Production to parents 6pm**

**17/07 Year 6 Colour Run 2.25pm**

**20/07 Year 6 Leavers Assembly 9.00am parents invited**

**20/07 Year 6 Leavers Festival 5.00pm until 7.00pm**

**21/07 Balloon arch farewell to Year 6 and last day of term**



## Hot Chocolate Friday

A huge well done to the children that were nominated last week of term 5 and this week. Your teachers are very proud of you!





## Thank you & Goodbye

Today was a very special day. The lovely Teresa, who works in our kitchen, celebrated her last day working at Loose. For the past seven years, she has worked tirelessly, cooking more than 650 dinners every day for our children and staff.

Theresa's hard work, dedication, and kindness have made a huge difference to our school community. She has helped provide thousands of meals with care and commitment, always with a smile.

We would like to thank Teresa for everything she has done and wish her all the very best as she spends more time with her family and pursues other interests. She will be greatly missed by everyone at the school.



## Coats

Please ensure your child has a light waterproof coat in school EVERY day regardless of the weather.

Thank you.



## Ethic of Excellence Awards

### **Week ending 22nd May**

Pearl - Jacob S

Opal - Thea B

Crystal - Isla W

Diamond - Ace W

Sapphire - Hugo N

Moonstone - Jay V

Tanzanite - Charlotte H

Aquamarine - Freddie M

Turquoise - Isabella M

Coral - Sophie S

Amber - Willow-Jade D

Jade - Alfie S

Emerald - Beatrix B

Ruby Class - Reggie A

Topaz Class - Erica S

Sunstone - Ava B

Amethyst - Henry A

Peridot - Lola O

Zultanite - Harry K

Quartz - Chloe E

**Week Ending 5th June**

Pearl - Aoife W

Opal - Theo T

Crystal - Lara K

Diamond - Mabel G

Sapphire - Arthur L

Moonstone - Amelia C

Tanzanite - Brendan H

Aquamarine - Ella K

Turquoise - Ivy K

Coral - Olivia M

Amber - Lily C

Jade - Ava G

Emerald - Beatrix B

Onyx - Godwina S

Ruby Class - Millet W

Topaz Class - Ria N

Sunstone - Lola H

Amethyst - Bella Y



## Gates for entering & leaving school site

We would like to remind parents and carers that the main Loose Road gate should **not be used for entering or leaving the school site at the beginning and end of the school day.**

Access to and from the school should be via the Year 4/6 gate, the Lancet Lane gate, or the Waldron Drive gate. The main Loose Road gate is reserved for parents and visitors who need to access the school office or main reception, as well as Blue Badge holders.

We appreciate your cooperation in helping us to keep our school community safe. There is significant vehicle movement through the main gate throughout the day, and restricting pedestrian access via this entrance helps to ensure the safety of all pupils, parents, carers and staff.

Thank you for your continued support.

## Mayor of Maidstone

We are incredibly proud of Harper, who joined students from MGS, MGGS, and Archbishop's Courtenay School to deliver a fantastic speech congratulating Councillor Brian Clark on his election as the new Mayor of Maidstone! Not only did Harper speak with amazing clarity and confidence, but she also presented the Mayor with a special 'Learner of the Week' certificate to mark the occasion.

Members of our choir were also invited to perform - they sounded beautiful and sang their hearts out to the congregation.

You all represented the Loose community beautifully. Well done!





## Art Workshop

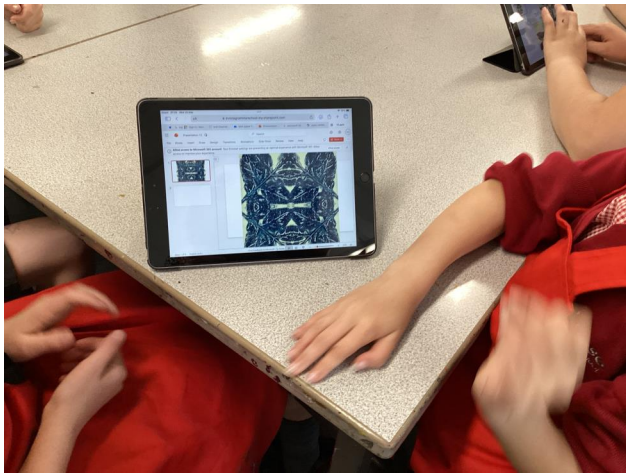
Before the end of last term some children from Year 5 at Loose and Year 4 at Coxheath were invited to take part in a gel-printing and digital art workshop at Invicta Grammar School.

The children discussed what 'pattern' means and how it demonstrates repetition. They then used gel plates and ink to create negative and ghost prints using grass stems and leaves. Afterwards, they used iPads to photograph sections of their prints and transform them into graphic repeating-pattern designs.

The children produced some stunning prints which, although simple to create, looked incredibly effective — even more so when developed into digital patterns.

Becky Planck











## PTA Newsletter

Dads and Lads Secret shop 🧐🏪

£3 a gift, today is your last chance to buy gifts no late payments will accepted.

We can't wait to welcome the children next week to choose their gifts for the special men in their lives. We have a great selection of gifts and we do try to give each class the same selection of each gift available.

Loose Rocks Music Festival

Saturday 4th July 12-4pm

It's shaping up to be our best festival yet, the PTA have been working tirelessly to make it bigger and better than before, in order for us to make this event a success with do require volunteers to help support this event, if you are available to help please contact us at [volunteers@loosepta.co.uk](mailto:volunteers@loosepta.co.uk) for more information on time slots.

Year R Disco

Finally, our little year R's turn to party after school, save the date Friday 26th June, more information to follow.

Thank you for all your help and support in helping to raise vital funds for the school and enhancing loose primary school students experience at school.

Loose Primary School PtA



## Tiger Gardeners

Is your child interested in learning how to grow fruit and vegetables themselves? Would you like a raised bed within our allotment plots?

We currently have plots available if you would like to join us. If you are interested please contact Mike Harwood on

[michael.harwood2@btopenworld.com](mailto:michael.harwood2@btopenworld.com) for more details.







## Shout Outs

Thomas N in Amber Class achieved most improved player in his Club, Staplehurst Monarchs recently having picked up a place from the reserves due to another boys injuries. He's played alongside Leo and Max in Year 4 who have also achieved fabulous things this year. Well done to all the boys. Well done Thomas!



## Shout Out

Billy Duggan from Emerald was asked to stand in as goalkeeper for Herne Bay Harriers last weekend. He got to play with some of his old Gillingham team mates and they went and won the whole tournament! Well done!



## Correct Contact Details

[extended.services@loose-primary.kent.sch.uk](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:office@loose-primary.kent.sch.uk) - use this for all other emails and urgent matters

[loosenursery@loose-primary.kent.sch.uk](mailto:loosenursery@loose-primary.kent.sch.uk) - please use for ALL nursery queries.

Phone Number 01622 743549

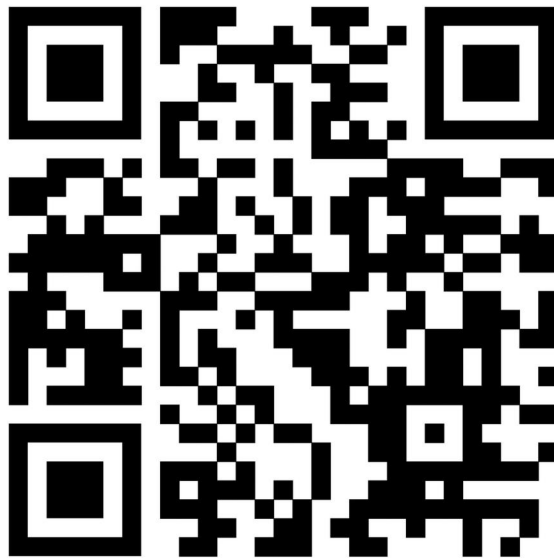


## SEN Information

***We have been asked by colleagues at the University of Kent to share an invitation for children and families who are either on the assessment pathway for autism or have a diagnosis of autism to take part in a research project.***

***The project aims to co-develop a more inclusive educational environment by working collaboratively with a range of stakeholders, including autistic pupils, parents and carers, peers, teachers, mainstream school leaders, and SENCOs.***

***The QR codes below provide further information for both children and families about the project and how to get involved. Participation is entirely voluntary.***





## June 2026 Timetable

All regular sessions delivered live online via zoom. 90 minutes long

**£24 each or FREE with School Membership**

Book online at [facefamilyadvice.co.uk](https://facefamilyadvice.co.uk)

Recordings available for 48 hours

Understanding Anger	1 June 10am
School Anxiety	1 June 7pm
Facing Defiance	2 June 10am
Supporting Healthy Screen Use	2 June 7pm
Anxiety Explained	8 June 10am
Cannabis & Ketamine Awareness	8 June 7pm
Introduction to OCD	9 June 10am
What is ACT?	9 June 7pm
Decreasing Depression	15 June 10am
Raising Self-Esteem	15 June 7pm
Understanding the Teenage Brain	16 June 10am
Supporting Healthy Sleep	16 June 7pm
Improving Family Communication	22 June 10am
Autism-Improving Communication	22 June 7pm
Supporting a Child with ADHD	23 June 10am
Understanding Addictive Behaviour	23 June 7pm
ADHD and Homework	25 June 7-8pm

# PARTICIPANTS NEEDED

Advisory Research Group for Autistic Students!

Autism-inclusive educational environments

## What is this project?

- This research project is about **making mainstream schools more inclusive for autistic students.**



- We want to **work with** autistic students, their parents, peers and teachers to improve school inclusion.

## Who can take part?

You can take part if:

- You are **autistic.**
- You go to a **mainstream primary school** or
- You are **11 years old or older** and have gone to a mainstream primary school in the last 5 years.



## What will you do in the advisory group?

- You can **choose** how you want to take part.
- You can share your views and ideas.
- You will help schools create ideas to make schools more inclusive.



Learn more about it here:

## Interested?


**PERMISSION  
REQUIRED**

Talk to your parent or guardian

Magdalini (Lina) Moraitou [mm2226@kent.ac.uk](mailto:mm2226@kent.ac.uk)

**TIZARD**  
University of Kent

## PARTICIPANTS NEEDED

Join an Advisory Research Group! 

### Autism-inclusive educational environments

**What's the purpose of this research project?**

We are interested in improving the experiences of autistic students in **mainstream primary education**. 


We want to **co-develop an autism-inclusive school** with all stakeholders, including **autistic students, their parents, peers and educators**.

**Who can participate?**

- ✔ Autistic students
- ✔ Parents, teachers or support staff
- ✔ Senior leaders & SENCOs

**What will the advisory group do?**

- ✔ Flexible participation
- ✔ Guide the research
- ✔ Participatory workshops to co-develop interventions

**Learn more about it here:** 

**Interested?**

**Magdalini (Lina) Moraitou** [mm2226@kent.ac.uk](mailto:mm2226@kent.ac.uk)

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Maidstone Family Hubs  
**Timetable**  
1<sup>st</sup> June 2026 - 17<sup>th</sup> July 2026

All of our groups and services are free. For groups requiring booking at all Hubs, see our web site <https://www.kent.gov.uk/education-and-children/kent-family-hub>

**Our Family Hubs:**

<b>South Borough</b> 03000 417770 Stephanie Cline, Maidstone, ME15 9TL Mon - Fri 9.30am - 4.30pm <a href="mailto:Southborough@kent.gov.uk">Southborough@kent.gov.uk</a>	<b>Infozone</b> 03000 415470 5 Palace Avenue, Maidstone, ME15 9DF Mon - Thu 9am - 5pm, Fri 9am - 4.30pm <a href="mailto:Infozonefamilyhub@kent.gov.uk">Infozonefamilyhub@kent.gov.uk</a>
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Day	South Borough	South Borough	South Borough	South Borough	Infozone
<b>Monday</b>	Young Parents 11.30-1.30	Stepping Up: 4.00-5.30 7-11 years			
<b>Tuesday</b>	Stay & Play 9.30-11.00	Baby Massage 1.30-2.30 2-6 months	Introducing Solids 1.30-2.30 Tue/Tuesday of the month	Online Safety 4.00-5.00 7-11 years	Time to Shine Seniors 4.30-6.30 11-15 years
<b>Wednesday</b>	Baby Group 10.00-11.00 Pre-booking 0-12 months	NCT Infant Feeding Clinic 1.00-3.00	Time To Shine Juniors 4.00-5.30 7-13 years	Youth Peer Mentoring 4.30-5.30 14+	Speak Out (Youth) 5.30-6.30 14+
<b>Thursday</b>	Talking Walks 9.30-11.30 2nd Thu of the month	Health Visitor Clinic 1.30-3.30	Time To Shine Juniors 4.00-5.30 7-11 years	Compass 6.00-7.30 For bookings enquiries please email <a href="mailto:maidstone@kent.gov.uk">maidstone@kent.gov.uk</a>	
<b>Friday</b>	NCT Infant Feeding Clinic 9.30-11.30	Baby Massage 10.00-11.00 2-6 months			

Please Note: Signing in will not be available until 10 minutes before the session starts. [www.kent.gov.uk/familyhub](http://www.kent.gov.uk/familyhub) Family Hub Sites are run by Kent County Council

## Community News

### The Salvation Army Union Street ME14 1ED



**Saturday 13 June 9am—11am**

**COMMUNITY WARDROBE  
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FREE SCHOOL UNIFORM  
Primary & Senior**

Logo and plain items, trousers, skirts,  
sports kit, blazers and much more.  
Parking available.

Logo items for  
MGS  
MGGS  
Invicta  
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St Simon's  
Brunswick  
North Borough  
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and many more





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## CRICKET CLUB



### TRAINING





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**9s**  
(YEAR 4  
AND UNDER)

 **FRIDAY NIGHT**  
 **6PM - 7PM**

UNDER  
**11s**  
(YEAR 6  
AND UNDER)

 **FRIDAY NIGHT**  
 **6PM - 7.30PM**

**GIRLS ONLY**  
★ YEAR 5 ★  
UPWARDS

 **TUESDAY NIGHT**  
 **6PM - 7PM**

*BOYS AND GIRLS  
WELCOME!*



FRIENDLY  
CLUB



ALL LEVELS  
WELCOME



COME ALONG,  
HAVE FUN,  
MAKE FRIENDS!

**WE CAN'T WAIT TO SEE YOU THERE!**