



June Newsletter



FOREST SCHOOL

Robins will have the opportunity to participate in Forest School during Term 6:

- Friday 13 June 2025
- Friday 20 June 2025
- Friday 27 June 2025
- Friday 04 July 2025
- Monday 07 July 2025
- Friday 18 July 2025



These sessions will be run during the school day, led by Mrs Prestleton, who holds a Forest School Level 3 qualification.

As pupils will be outside in ALL weathers, they should come into school on Fridays wearing clothes suitable for outdoor play, bringing additional items of clothing and boots labelled with their name, in a bag to put on their peg. Boots and waterproofs can stay in school for the whole term.

THIS MONTH...

2nd	SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT DAY (SCHOOL CLOSED)
3rd	BOOK SHARE
4th	YR 1 AT DRILL HALL
5th	YR 1 AT DRILL HALL
5th	PARENT REP
w/c: 9th	YR1 PHONIC SCREENING WEEK
12th	BLUE CROSS TALK
17th	YR3 VISIT YR2
20th	YR 2 CINEMA TRIP
w/c: 23rd	SPORTS WEEK
24th	BOXING
26th	SPORTS DAY
27th	YR2 TO SANDWICH JUNIOR

BOOK SHARE

Our last book share for the academic year will be on Tuesday 3rd June at 2:55. If you have more than one child in school, please remember that you are more than welcome to gather your children from their classes if you'd like to read together.

DRILL HALL

As part of our Year 1 DT curriculum, the children learn to make pizzas. For the past few years we have been lucky enough to visit The Drill Hall for the children to experience real pizza making and testing. Year 1 will be taking groups of children on the 4th and 5th June.

TOYS

Just a reminder that toys should not be brought into school. We are having issues in classes where toys from home have been lost and broken.

END OF YEAR REPORTS

Our end of year school reports have a slightly different look this year. This will be our final year of printed reports - next year we move to electronic reports.

We are hoping to get these out to you on Friday 11th July 2025.

NEXT MONTH...

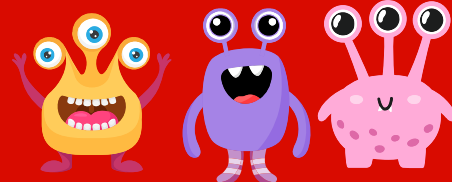
1 st	MR DYSON VISITING YR2 FOR Q+A
2 nd	KENT SURF SCHOOL
3 rd	TRANSITION DAY
w/c: 07.07.25	LOVE YOUR COMMUNITY WEEK
	EYFS PLAYGROUND RENOVATION STARTS
7 th	
7 th	ASSEMBLY: COMMUNITY
8 th	LITTER PICKING
	YR2 @ MANWOODS FOR SPORTING EVENT
10 th	
11 th	CHILDREN VISIT AGE CONCERN
11 th	FOSIS SUMMER FAIR
14 th	REPORTS OUT
21 st	RNLI VISIT
	YR 2 LEAVER'S PARTY 2PM - 4PM
22 nd	
	YR2 LEAVER'S ASSEMBLY



NEW: The Bulwarks Play Area

We are delighted to say that the exciting new refurbished playground is now open. As our pupils were involved in the consultation process with Dover District Council earlier the year, it is great to see this project come to fruition.

PHONIC SCREENING



During w/c: 09.06.25, all children in Year 1 will complete the Department for Education statutory Phonic Screening Check. The purpose of the phonics screening check is to confirm that all children have learned phonic decoding to an age appropriate standard.

The check contains 40 words divided into two sections of 20 words. Both sections contain a mixture of real words and pseudo-words. Pseudo-words are words that are phonically decodable but are not actual words with an associated meaning. They are included in the check specifically to assess whether your child can decode a word using their phonics skills.

The children have had a strong phonic start and have had lots of practice in completing the phonic test, however please practice any gaps in knowledge that have been sent home.

TRANSITION

The end of the academic years comes with lots of transitional events in order to prepare children for the next stage of their academic journey. As we work behind the scenes to organise what 2025-2026 will look like, please bear with us whilst we consider the most appropriate organisation and planning.

SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT FEEDBACK

During different intervals throughout the year we have audits and observations from the trust as part of school improvement. This term we have undertaken writing and behaviour audits. I'd like to share a little of that feedback with you:

"Little Wandle has had a hugely positive effect on standards - the school are now in Year 3 of the programme and the effect on the attainment of the Year 2 pupils is clear, in prosody, fluency and with spelling.

The approach to teaching handwriting is also highly effective, with nearly all pupils in Year 2 writing with neat, joined up cursive style. By the time they leave Year 2, pupils are being enabled and equipped to be confident, independent writers who can write at length with good stamina. This high expectation should be praised, and shared across the trust".

A MESSAGE FROM FOSIS...

If you have any fabulous ideas in which to help raise money for the school, please let us know. Your support is not only welcome, but much needed. If you can spare any time, please contact Fosisfundraising@sandwich-infant.kent.sch.uk



STAFFING

We would like to welcome Anna Killacky who has taken on our cleaning position within the school. We are yet to fill the caretaker role.

We also say a fond farewell to Mrs Taylor on Friday 6th June. Mrs Taylor has worked with us as a teaching assistant for the last five years. We wish her all the very best in her new role at Sir Roger Manwoods School.

GRANT

We have successfully secured £760 in funding towards speech and language resources from the Samuel Butler Trust. We requested funding to purchase role play equipment and resources.

ART WEEK

Our annual art week took place last term and this year the theme was 'One dot can be...'. The week started by reading the story 'The Dot' by Peter H. Reynolds. The children then set off to explore a range of different resources and art activities throughout the week. They used a range of materials including pen, pastels and paint. They explored mixing paints and using different medias together and they let their imagination run wild when creating their dot drawings!

During the week, some of our children were also invited to take part in the Guildhall museum art competition. They were asked to help create a stained glass window which will be displayed as part of their exhibition. The children behaved beautifully walking through sandwich, around the museum and while colouring in the panels. The exhibition will be open to the public during the month of September.

By the end of the week, the children had each created two fantastic pieces of art work and had added their dot design to our whole school art piece. Once again, we were very lucky to have The Arts Society Sandwich visit and give out a certificate to each class. The chosen pieces of art work will be displayed at their exhibition in St Marys church from September 13th -20th. The children's work looked absolutely amazing all displayed together during our open afternoon and we were blown away by their positivity, enjoyment and art they all created. We can't wait to find a permanent place to display our art board!

Every child is an artist, all it takes is making a mark!

ATTENDANCE

Attendance last week: 96.2%

Overall attendance this year: 94.7%

Foxes - 96%

Squirrels - 96%

Otters - 94%

Rabbits - 93%

Robins - 95%

