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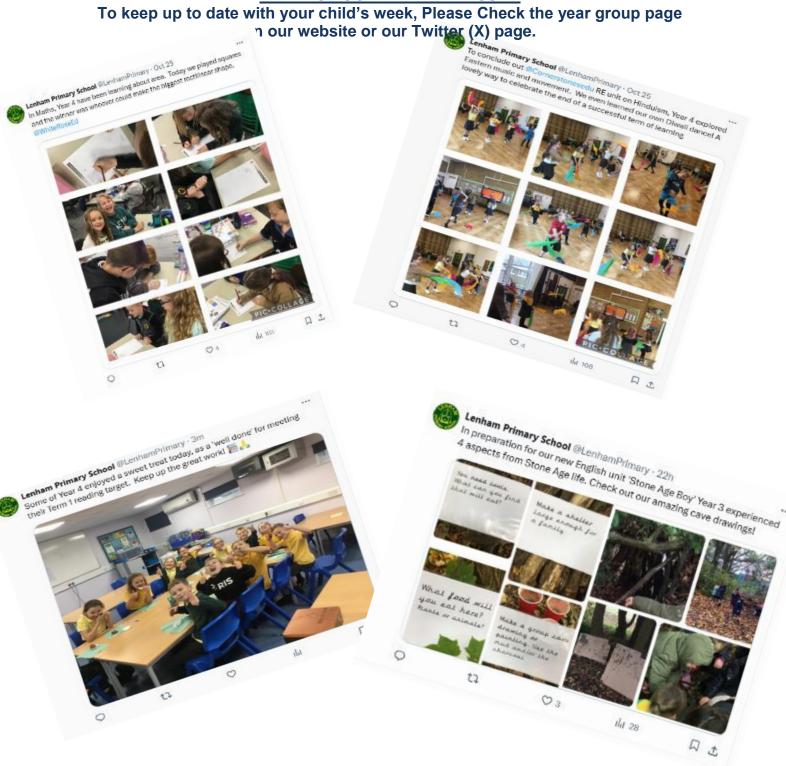
# Weekly Bulletin – 14<sup>th</sup> November 2024

School Year Term Dates 2024 – 2025		
TERM 1	4 <sup>st</sup> September 2024- 25 <sup>th</sup> October 2024	
TEDMO	INSET DAYS 2 <sup>ND</sup> & 3 <sup>RD</sup> SEPT	
TERM 2	4 <sup>th</sup> November 2024 – 20 <sup>th</sup> December 2024	
TERM 3	6 <sup>th</sup> January 2025 – 14 <sup>th</sup> February 2025	
TERM 4	24 <sup>th</sup> February 2025 – 4 <sup>th</sup> April 2025	
TERM 5	22 <sup>nd</sup> April 2025 – 23 <sup>rd</sup> May 2025	
TERM 6	2 <sup>nd</sup> June 2025 – 22 <sup>nd</sup> July 2025	
	INSET DAYS 20th & 23rd JUNE and 11th JULY	
School Events		
15.11.2024	Children In Need	
	https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.aspx?shopid=15558	
15.11.2024	Year 5 Swimming	
15.11.2024	Deadline for ordering and paying for PTA Christmas Shopping Event	
19.11.2024	New Parent Tour for Year R 2025	
21.11.2024	Year 5 Trip – Tower of London	
22.11.2024	Year 5 Swimming	
26.11.2024	New Parent Tour for Year R 2025	
27.11.2024	Year 4 – Viking Experience Day (In school)	
28.11.2024	Year 6 – Kent Life Trip	
29.11.2024	Year 5 Swimming	
02.12.2024	Year 6 – Magistrates Talk In School	
04.12.2024	New Parent Tour for Year R 2025	
05.12.2024	Year R-6 Flu Vaccination	
06.12.2024	Year 5 Swimming	
06.12.2024	PTA Christmas Shopping Event – purchase gifts by Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> November	
11.12.2024	Nativity Year 1 & Year 2 – Afternoon, exact time to be confirmed	
13.12.2024	Nativity Year 1 & Year 2 – Afternoon, exact time to be confirmed	
13.12.2024	Year 5 Swimming	
18.12.2024	Christmas Dinner Day	
19.12.2024	PTA - Christmas Party - TBC	
20.12.2024	Christmas Carol Service at 2.30pm	



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## **TWEETS YOU MAY HAVE MISSED**





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#### Heritage Strategy Art Competition

The Council is excited to announce the start of a new project to create a Heritage Strategy for the Borough and everyone is invited to get involved.

If you are aged 18 or under and live or go to school/college in the Borough area then we want to know what heritage you most value.

Draw or paint a picture of your favourite Borough heritage; it might be a building, a place or an event...or something else. How about the Maidstone Mela or Allington Castle or even East Farleigh Bridge? It is entirely up to you what heritage in the area you want to capture in art.

There are two prizes up for grabs:

- Best artwork ages 11 and under.
- Best artwork ages 12 to 18.

The best bit...the prize! The winners will see their artwork incorporated into the final Heritage Strategy and will each win a £25 voucher. The final Heritage Strategy will be published on the Council's website and be used to help support future project funding bids.

#### Competition Rules

- Be aged 18 or under living or at school/college in the Borough area.
- Upload a photograph of your drawing or painting here: Lets Talk Maidstone
- Tell us what heritage asset you have drawn or painted and where it is.
- Don't forget to send your name, school/college name, your age and also your parent/guardians contact email and telephone number with your entry.

The competition opens at 9am 8th November 2024 and closes at 5pm 28th November 2024. Winners will be judged, and winners will be informed by email by 6th December 2024.

For Terms and Conditions please see Lets Talk Maidstone

Good luck!



www.maidstone.gov.uk





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Caterlink, who provide are school lunches have asked if as many of you as possible would take the time to complete the below survey:

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/RLKQLHJ



Caterlink request that all responses are completed by 30<sup>th</sup> November.





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## Admission to

# Primary school in Kent 2025

# Apply online at kent.gov.uk/primaryadmissions

Opens Tuesday 5 November 2024 and closes at midnight on Wednesday 15 January 2025

For children born between 1 September 2020 and 31 August 2021, Transferring to Primary school in September 2025

#### What to do

#### Choose a school

It's important to find out more about the schools you are interested in before you decide to name them on the application form.

Read the guide to Primary admissions at www.kent.gov.uk/ primary admissions.

You can name up to three Primary schools, inside or outside of Kent, but you must name them all on the same application.

#### Apply for a school place

Tuesday 5 November 2024 and closes at midnight on Wednesday 15 January 2025.

You will first need to set up an online account. The applicant is you, the parent/carer; you will then need to add your child's details before starting an application. You will receive a confirmation email that your application has been correctly submitted.

You can log back in at any time to view the information submitted.

#### Receiving your offer

On offer day (Wednesday 16 April 2025) an email will be sent after 4pm informing you of your

You must accept or decline the school place you have been offered by Wednesday 30 April

A link to a guide with information you will need to provide the school with will be in your offer email.

If it has not been possible to offer your child a place in your preferred school, you have the right to appeal. You can also add their name to the school's waiting list.

Moving house during the application window will likely complicate your application and we therefore advise you to pay special attention to key dates in the admissions process. KCC has no discretionary authority to vary the process for parents who cannot complete address moves in time to make use of them for admissions purposes. If you have queries relating to this, please email the team on one of the email addresses below

#### Key dates

Tuesday 5 November 2024	Online application process opens. Go to <a href="https://www.kent.gov.uk/primaryadmissions">www.kent.gov.uk/primaryadmissions</a> to register and apply.  Online application process closes for the main round. Any amendments after this date must be emailed to <a href="https://kent.gov.uk">kent.gov.uk</a>
Wednesday 15 January 2025	
Wednesday 16 April 2025	Offers of school places sent to parents via email after 4pm.
Wednesday 30 April 2025	Parents should contact the school to accept/refuse the place that has been offered and can use the link in the offer email to ask for their child to be added to the waiting list of schools named on the original application.
Tuesday 20 May 2025	Appeals need to be lodged by this date to be heard before September – appeals information can be found at <a href="https://www.kent.gov.uk/schoolappeals">www.kent.gov.uk/schoolappeals</a> . You can only appeal for schools that were named on the application form.

### Needhelp?

Email <u>primaryadmissions@kent.gov.uk</u>
Full information booklet can also be viewed online at <u>kent.gov.uk/primaryadmissions</u>

Only one application per pupil will be accepted. If you apply online, do not complete any other form of application. Keep your login details safe and use your registered email address for all communication with the team.

The confirmation email may go to your junk/spam folder of your email - please check here before contacting our

Please note applications can only be made via Kent County Council if the child resides at a Kent address. If your child does not reside at a Kent address, you must make an application via your Local Authority.

