

St Mary's Church of England Primary School, Dover



Learning for life with God as our guide



Friday, 10th July 2026

Our Christian Values

Peace; Friendship; Respect; Trust; Perseverance



A Message from Mrs Comfort

Out and About

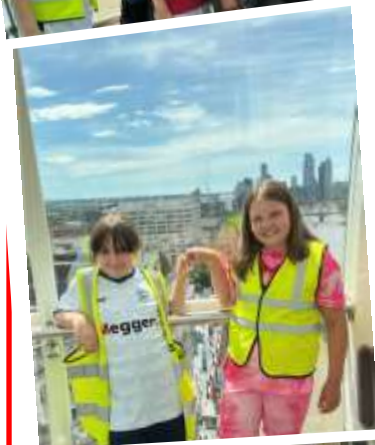
Year 6 have been engaged in a number of activities this week to mark the end of their time at primary school. A trip on the bus to St Margaret's Bay; a train journey to London to ride the London Eye and school-based activities such as games and drama have all been enjoyed by the children and staff.

Mrs Miles and Mrs Fagg each report 'WOW! What an exciting week Year Six have had! They started their activity week with a trip on the train to London to visit the London Eye. The children loved sight-seeing from great heights, spotting Big Ben, Buckingham Palace, Houses of Parliament and St Paul's Cathedral just to name a few!

Paignton, "It was really fun. The best part was going around the London Eye."

Gracie, "We saw lots of boats and the river from the London Eye."

Ethan, "The River looked really big from the top, we all really enjoyed it."



On Tuesday, the children enjoyed a 'Taskmaster' style quiz where they had to take part in a variety of team challenges to win points. Tasks included performing the best rendition of 'Twinkle Twinkle Little Star' and list as many chocolate bars in 2 minutes. In the afternoon, the children kicked back and watched a film, sharing snacks with one another.



On Wednesday, we ventured by bus to St Margaret's Bay. They absolutely loved exploring the rock pools, searching for crabs and other interesting sea creatures; they were mesmerised by the eel they discovered. Some enjoyed rock decorating and sitting peacefully watching the sea. After lunch we played games on the green and had a paddle in the sea. They were brilliant representatives.



Eliza, "I loved decorating the rocks – it was really therapeutic."

Lara, "I had lots of fun."

Harley, "I loved searching for crabs – we found so many."



On Thursday, the children had a day of fun and games. We played all different sorts of board games in the morning, learning new skills and strategies; in the afternoon, we went onto the field for outdoor activities, such as football, frisbee and giant card games. We returned indoors to eat our picnic to have some time out of the sun.

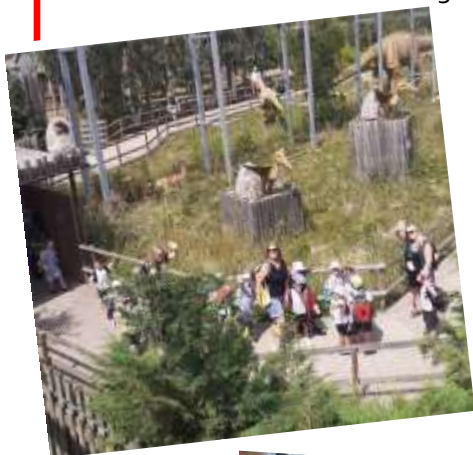


On Friday, we attended our Grand Day Out at Wingham Wildlife Park.

Whole School Grand Day Out to Wingham Wildlife Park

We all had a fantastic time together in Wingham today; the children and staff enjoyed visiting the animals and the children's play area was also very popular!

A super day out; huge thanks to all of the staff for their efforts in making this such a memorable event and to the children for their conduct throughout. Thank you also to families for supporting us with this trip.



Next Week

A busy timetable planned for next week, the last one of this academic year. It is important that all children continue to attend school right up to and including the last day of term – **Friday, 17th July**. Lots of transition work goes on in the final week of term all of which help the children to bring this year to an end and to be ready for the next one.

We will of course be celebrating and honouring our Year 6 children as this will be their final week at St Mary's CEP. There will be much for them to engage with and be a part of next week – end of year show, Leaver's Service and their prom. We look forward to having this special time with them.

Wishing you all a good weekend.

Mrs Helen Comfort – Executive Headteacher

Year 2 Monarchs Day

Year 2 enjoyed a wonderfully fun Monarchs Day with a special tea party and a day full of themed activities!

The children sketched fantastic portraits of themselves as kings and queens, took part in imaginative palace role play, giving royal commands and hosting grand banquets, and enjoyed reading a selection of books about kings, queens, castles and life in the monarchy.

The day ended with a lovely tea party where the children sipped drinks from 'goblets' and enjoyed fruity treats with their friends. It was a truly majestic day full of fun, creativity, and plenty of laughter!



Congratulations go to the following Learners of the Week

Class R – Turtles Class Learner of the Week is **Madison** as she comes into school every day with a smile on her face ready to learn! This week Madison wrote a fantastic sentence in literacy all about a birthday party. Well done Madison!

Class 1 – Our Learner of the Week in Starfish Class is **Brooklyn!** Brooklyn had a fantastic time at Forest School this week, and he put great effort into making his flower picture. He enjoyed playing in the mud kitchen and using sticks to build a hut. Brooklyn is a pleasure to have in our class and always has a smile!

Class 2 – **Noah** is our Learner of the Week in Otters Class as he has shown great determination and perseverance this week! He has worked hard in English to finish his writing, and has put lots of effort into his maths learning. Noah is a helpful and caring member of the class who is always keen to support others. His effort and helpful attitude make him a very deserving Learner of the Week!

Class 3 – Puffins Class Learner of the Week is Celeste as she has had a fantastic week! She has worked incredibly hard in her maths assessments and achieved some brilliant scores! She also put lots of effort into her non-fiction writing, taking care with her presentation. Celeste is a valued member of our class, and we are very proud of her. Well done Celeste!

Class 4 – Martin is our Learner of the Week in Penguins Class as he has beautifully written a creative poem about clouds this week! Martin has worked very hard and achieved great scores in the end of term mathematics assessment. He should be really proud of himself. He is an asset to our class and a kind friend to his peers. Well done Martin – keep being amazing!

Class 5 – Our Learner of the Week in Orcas Class is **Beau** as she consistently shows excellent manners and kindness towards both adults and her classmates! She is a pleasure to have in class and sets a wonderful example through her behaviour, determination and willingness to do her best! Keep up the fantastic work Beau – we are all incredibly proud of you!

Class 6 – **Paignton** is our Learner of the Week in Seahorses Class for the wonderful effort she has made to school life! She has impressed us with her impeccable behaviour during all of our trips, and has been kind, supportive, caring and encouraging of others. Paignton has also worked tirelessly for our school production; rehearsing at every possible moment. An amazing week Paignton – well done!

Go with the Flo...

Kids Eat Free

Between 29th June and 6th September 2026, families can access **FREE** Kellogg's breakfasts in all Morrisons Cafes.

This is available to both children and adults, who can choose from much-loved favourites Corn Flakes or Rice Krispies, topped with their choice of dairy or non-dairy milk and a free apple or banana.

In addition to the Kellogg's Breakfast offer, Morrisons 'Kids Eat Free' offer will continue to run in all its Cafés, allowing families to enjoy a free meal and drink for one child aged 16 or under when they purchase an adult main meal costing over £5.00 from The Breakfasts and The Classics menu.

Mrs Debbie Morris – Family Liaison Officer



TERM 6 2026 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MONDAY
13TH
JULY



• Bikeability – Year 6

TUESDAY
14TH
JULY



• Year 6 End of Year Production

WEDNESDAY
15TH
JULY



• SEND Coffee Morning – 9:00am
• Forest School – Morning – Class 3 / Afternoon – Class 2

THURSDAY
16TH
JULY



• Year 6 Leavers Service
• Year 5 – Local Visit
• Year 6 Prom

FRIDAY
17TH
JULY



LAST DAY OF TERM 6 FOR PUPILS!



BIG BUG HUNT Bug pot in hand and ID chart at the ready. Search for some of the reserve's smallest residents. All that wiggles, creeps, scuttles, crawls and flutters can be closely observed and identified. The hunt is on!

BOGGARTS

Boggarts are strange little creatures that live in woods and play tricks on people. Find out more about these crafty creatures and make your own using leaves, twigs and seeds.

FOLKLORE AND FLEECY TREES Trees have stories to tell. Their fruits, leaves and seeds take on different meanings across time and cultures. Join this 'Tree Walk', with a simple tree craft for children in the shade of the woods.

GROW A GARDEN in a box. Using a mixture of seeds, and compost made on the reserve, colour your label and sow your garden. Add plant markers.

POND DIPPING Nymphs and newts; beetles and boatmen. Explore the micro-habitat of pondlife at Monkton. Ages 6+.

STORY TIME Free nature stories read by local authors and our volunteers.

STORY WALK Inspired by 'The Lost Words', a book dedicated to encouraging a love of nature in children. We will visit some of the species in the book; Newt, Willow and Ivy. The session will end in the Education Garden, where we will make willow hearts.

WILD CLASSROOM: Campfire cooking at its best. Experience this tasty vegetable tagine, made together, with the reserve as a back-drop.

WORM COMPOSTING: Join 'Compost King' John, in 'Compost Corner' to find out about our busy, composting worms and our hot composter. Why is compost so important? Prepare food for the worm workforce. Make a compost bin character.

JULY			AUGUST		
TIM	11.30AM	12PM	12PM	1PM	1PM
21st:	Bugs	Story	Pond	11th:	Worms
23rd:	Bugs	Pond	13th:	Pond	Story
24th:	Bugs	Pond	14th:	Bugs	Folklore
28th:	Pond	W.C'm	18th:	Bugs	Boggarts
31st:	Bugs	Story	20th:	Walk	Story
		Folklore	21st:	Bugs	Walk
AUG	TIM	12PM	1PM	25th:	Folklore
4th:	Boggarts	Story	Pond	27th:	Story
6th:	Bugs	Walk	Garden	28th:	Folklore
7th:	Folklore	Garden			Story



HOW TO BOOK

www.monkton-reserve.org/events/

Visit our museum, café, gift, and book shops.

MORE INFO:

education@monkton-reserve.org

PRICE PER CHILD

Members: £3

Non-Members: £5

(incl. entrance to the reserve)

Wild Classroom

Members: £9.00

Non-Members: £15.00

WHERE

Monkton Nature Reserve
Canterbury Road

WWW.MONKTON-RESERVE.ORG

THANET COUNTRYSIDE TRUST
(CHARITY NO: 1211099)

TEAM BUILDERS

SUMMER HOLIDAY CLUB

A sporty creative event for primary school age children!

Working together to find out about some of God's key players!

MON 27TH - FRI 31ST JULY 10AM-1PM

Charlton Church, St Alphege Road






£1 per day including Lunch
Booking essential as limited places

Contact
rev.melissa.carter@gmail.com

Breakfast Club at St Mary's CEP, Dover

Breakfast Club starts at 8:00am and breakfast is served until 8:25am; all children are then supervised in the hall until 8:40am.

Bookings can be made daily, weekly or termly as required. We will try to be as flexible as we can where places are available, but bookings should be with us 24 hours in advance of when you require the service.

Monday 	Cereal Toast or crumpet with reduced sugar jam or reduced salt marmite Squash or milk Selection of fresh and dried fruit
Tuesday 	Cereal Fruit bread or toast with reduced sugar jam or reduced salt marmite Squash or milk Selection of fresh and dried fruit
Wednesday 	Cereal Toast or Scotch pancakes with reduced sugar Jam or reduced salt marmite Squash or milk Selection of fresh and dried fruit
Thursday 	Cereal Toast or Waffles with reduced sugar Jam or reduced salt marmite Squash or milk Selection of fresh and dried fruit
Friday 	Cereal or Porridge Toast or children's choice served with reduced sugar jam or reduced salt marmite Squash or milk or hot chocolate Selection of fresh and dried fruit

PE Day's - Term 6 2026

- **Year R - Thursday**
- **Year 1 - Tuesday & Friday**
- **Year 2 - Thursday & Friday**
- **Year 3 - Monday & Wednesday**
- **Year 4 - Wednesday & Friday**
- **Year 5 - Monday & Wednesday**
- **Year 6 - Tuesday & Thursday**

After School Wraparound Care A message from Olympus Learning Collective

We offer our wrap-around care with flexible collection times and pricing:

- **Until 4:15pm** – £5.50
- **Until 5:00pm** – £10.00 (includes a hot snack)
- **Until 5:45pm** – £14.00 (includes a hot snack)

To help us manage places effectively, all sessions should be booked in advance using our online booking system (Olympuslc.magicbooking.co.uk).

This can be accessed by scanning the QR code on the image below, and we will also provide a simple step-by-step guide to support you.

Same-day bookings online can be made up until 11:00am. After this time, availability cannot be guaranteed.

If you need to request a booking after this time, please contact us on:

07879 755588 / stmarys@olympuslearningcollective.co.uk

Please note that responses may not be immediate, as messages can take time to be received and processed.

We continue to accept **Tax-Free Childcare**, which can save you up to 20% on fees. We also work alongside **Universal Credit**, allowing eligible families to claim back a portion of childcare costs.

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AFTERSCHOOL CARE

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Arts & Crafts Forest School

LEGO Baking Sports

Manage all bookings online

3 Sessions to choose from
Monday-Friday

15:10 -16:15	\$5.50
15:10 -17:00 (Hot snack included)	\$10.00
15:10 -17:45 (Hot snack included)	\$14.00

Tax Free Childcare Save 20%



Lunch Menu – Week One
Week Beginning Monday, 13th July 2026

If you pay for your child's cooked lunch, the cost will be **£2.75** a day. **This payment will be made directly to the school and must be paid for in advance.** Please note payment details below:

Name of Account - KCC RE DOVER ST MARY'S CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL
 Sort Code - 60-60-08
 Account Number - 83294082
 Reference – [Child's Name] Lunch

		MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
 <p>whole school meals</p> <p>DATES: Week 1: 20th April, 11th May, 7th June, 22nd June, 13th July</p> <p>Week 2: 27th April, 18th May, 8th June, 29th June</p> <p>Week 3: 4th May, 15th June, 6th July</p> <p>Allergens: 1. Gluten/Wheat 2. Dairy/Milk 3. Eggs 4. Soya/Soyabeans 5. Mustard 6. Celery 7. Fish 8. Molluscs 9. Shellfish/Crustaceans 10. Sesame Seeds 11. Nuts 12. Lupins 13. Sulphur Dioxide 14. Peanuts Allergens in brackets are a possibility All items with * can be made Vegan. All items with ** can be made Dairy Free.</p>	WEEK 1 All items are subject to availability.	Pizza & Sauté Potatoes 1,2,4 Herby Tomato Pasta & Garlic Bread 1,4 Baked Beans & Salad Jacket Potato with *Cheese & Beans 2 Cornflake Crunch 1,2 Fresh Fruit	Burger in a Bun 1,4 Vegan Sausage Roll 1 Pasta Salad 1 Coleslaw & Salad 3,5 Jacket Potato with *Cheese & Beans 2 Shortbread 1 Fresh Fruit	Gammon Frittata 2,3 Mashed Potatoes Peas & Salad Jacket Potato with *Cheese and Beans 2 Lemon Cake 1,3 Fresh Fruit	**Chicken Fajitas 1,2 Sweet Potato & Spinach Dhal Savoury Rice 6 Mixed Veg & Salad Jelly Fresh Fruit	Fish Fingers 1,7 Veggie Nuggets 1 Skin on Fries or Pasta 1 Baked Beans or Sweetcorn & Salad Jacket Potato with *Cheese & Beans 2 Cooks Choice (1,2,3) Fresh Fruit
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		*Cheese Whirl 1,2 **Loaded Chili Bean Wedges 2 ½ Jacket Potato Baked Beans & Salad Jacket Potato with *Cheese & Beans 2 Ice Cream 2 Fresh Fruit	Pork Meatballs 1 Meatless Meatballs 1 Pasta 1 Carrots & Mixed Veg Jacket Potato with *Cheese & Beans 2 Chocolate Cake 1,3 Fresh Fruit	Roast Chicken & Yorkshire Pudding 1,2,3 Roasted Cauli Bites Rustic Roasties Broccoli & Sweetcorn Jacket Potato with *Cheese & Beans 2 Oat Cookie 1 Fresh Fruit	Baked Sausages 1,13 Quorn Sausage 1 Crushed New Potatoes Peas & Salad Jacket Potato with *Cheese & Beans 2 Summer Fruits Pinwheel 1 Fresh Fruit	Fish Fingers 1,7 Veggie Nuggets 1 Skin on Fries or Pasta 1 Baked Beans or Sweetcorn & Salad Jacket Potato with *Cheese & Beans 2 Cooks Choice (1,2,3) Fresh Fruit
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		Mac 'n' Cheese 1,2,5 ** Mixed Bean Burrito 1,2 Garlic Dough Balls 1,4 Peas & Sweetcorn Medley & Salad Jacket Potato with *Cheese & Beans 2 Chocolate Krispie Cake 1 Fresh Fruit	Breaded Chicken Steak 1,4 Veggie Nuggets 1 Pasta Salad 1 Coleslaw & Salad 3,5 Jacket Potato with *Cheese & Beans 2 Marble Cake 1,3 Fresh Fruit	Roast Pork & Gravy Mustardy Sausage Bake 1,5,6 Rustic Roasties Cauliflower & Peas Jacket Potato with *Cheese & Beans 2 Jelly Fresh Fruit	Mexican Beef Tortilla Bake 1,2 Chili no Carne Rice, Carrots & Green Beans Jacket Potato with *Cheese & Beans 2 Apple & Cinnamon Pinwheel 1 Fresh Fruit	Fish Fingers 1,7 Curried Veggie Pasty 1,2 Skin on Fries or Pasta 1 Baked Beans or Sweetcorn & Salad Jacket Potato with *Cheese & Beans 2 Cooks Choice (1,2,3) Fresh Fruit

Medication in School

If your child requires medication throughout the school day, please hand this in at the office and complete a Parental Agreement for the Administration of Medicines form. Please do not send any medication to school with your child, or in their school bag.

Please also be advised, antibiotics can only be administered by the office if they are to be taken four times a day.



Thank you for your patience at the school gate. We may be busy or on the telephone if we do not answer the buzzer straight away. We will be with you as soon as we can.

Follow these links to our website and social media

<https://www.st-marys-dover.kent.sch.uk/>
<https://www.facebook.com/St-Marys-C-of-E-Primary-School-820857021275490/>

As always, please don't hesitate to make contact via email or telephone with any queries, comments or concerns you may have.

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