



Newsletter Term 3

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Headteacher's Welcome

Dear Parents & Carers,

As we approach the end of winter, we look forward to brighter, warmer mornings and all the new opportunities that Spring and Term 4 will bring. The longer days ahead offer fresh chances for learning, growth, and exciting experiences for our students.

This term, we have celebrated key events such as World Religion Day, Martin Luther King Jr. Day, Chinese New Year, and Burns Night - each providing valuable insights into history, culture, and diversity. A particular highlight was Children's Mental Health Week, where our Student Council took the lead in planning and delivering a "Time to Talk" Wellbeing Afternoon on Thursday, 6th February. The event was a great success, offering students a chance to connect, reflect, and support one another.

This week, we have been focusing on Safer Internet Day, ensuring that our students continue to develop the skills needed to navigate the online world safely. Additionally, several of our learners have begun their work experience placements across various local businesses and provisions. These experiences are invaluable in developing functional life and employability skills, preparing them for their future pathways.

Our curriculum remains focused on independence and real-world learning, and throughout the year, students will continue to take part in community-based education. This will include regular visits to local amenities and work-related learning experiences, ensuring they gain valuable skills for life beyond school.

We value strong communication between home and school, and we encourage you to reach out to me or your child's teacher at any time if you have any questions or concerns. We are available via email on weekdays, and you are welcome to call the school if necessary.

Thank you for your continued support. We look forward to a fantastic Term 4!

Best wishes,

Carrie Myhill
Headteacher

Diary Dates

Term 4 start - 24/02/2025

Birthday Wishes

25/02 - Michaela

03/03 - Maggie

29/03 - Joseph

29/03 - Carrie

Happy Birthday to you all!

Notices

Term 4 - PE Lessons: trampolining

Term 5 - PE lessons: swimming

**In Term 4 - MidKent College
Carousel will be Hospitality**

**Social event - Laser tag was
rescheduled for Term 4 - date to
be confirmed**

Designated Safeguarding Team

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Highlights Reel - Term 3 - 2024/2025

RE Focus Day - HINDUISM - 21st January 2025

This term students participated in an enriching RE Focus Day dedicated to learning about Hinduism. The day was filled with engaging activities that offered insight into this vibrant and ancient religion. The students began by exploring the Hindu creation story, discovering how the universe is believed to have come into being and the roles played by different deities. This inspired thoughtful discussions about different cultural perspectives on creation.

Creativity flourished during the craft session, where students designed beautiful Rangoli suncatchers using bright colours and intricate shapes. These traditional art forms are often created during Hindu festivals to bring positivity and joy. In the final part of the day, students let their imaginations soar by writing creative stories featuring Hindu gods and goddesses such as Vishnu, Lakshmi, and Ganesha. Their pieces demonstrated both creativity and a deeper understanding of the values and symbolism found in Hindu mythology. It was a fantastic day of learning, creativity, and cultural appreciation, leaving students inspired and more connected to the diverse world around them.



Chinese New Year Celebration



Students celebrated Chinese New Year 2025 on Friday 31st January. For their lunch, they were served sweet and sour chicken with stir fried rice & noodles and spring rolls.

Thank you to staff and students who helped to decorate the kitchen and make this delicious meal.

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Police station visit - 20th January 2025



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Music and Performing Arts MidKent College Carousel

Students learnt how to use Clipchamp Video Editor and how to add sound effects to their chosen videos.



Bowling - Whole School Friday Afternoon Activity

