

HERNE CE INFANT AND NURSERY SCHOOL WEEKLY BULLETIN

FRIDAY 7th NOVEMBER 2025



MONDAY 10TH NOVEMBER

It is Odd Sock Day on **MONDAY!** We wear odd socks to celebrate diversity and to promote inclusion. Please encourage your child wear odd socks to school on Monday with their usual school uniform. The crazier the better! We are sharing the message of how important it is to spread kind words and happiness, especially as we are all unique. If you want any more information on this please visit this website: [What is Odd Socks Day?](#)

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY AT SY.MARTINS CHURCH

St Martin's Church Remembrance service is at 10.00am on Sunday. Thank you to those children who will be representing our school to place a Herne Wreath and small crosses around the Memorial in the church grounds after this service. Everyone else is of course very welcome to attend.



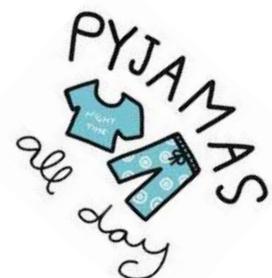
CHILDREN IN NEED

FRIDAY 14th NOVEMBER

On **FRIDAY** we will be supporting our friends by dressing in our pyjamas or cosy/comfy clothes for Children in Need. Children can come to school dressed up in pyjamas or cosy/comfy clothes for Children in Need. with a small donation to raise money for the charity.



We're supporting
BBC
**Children
in Need**



HOPE WISHLIST

(Herne Outdoor Play and Exploration)

To support our lunchtime provision further, we would greatly appreciate any more donations of the following toys, that are in a good, clean and safe condition. They will need to be of a suitable size for our children from Year R to Year 2.

Toy dolls prams or pushchairs, baby dolls and cars for our Imaginative Zone.

Wheeled suitcases/Trunki cases and small scooters for our Wheel Zone

Please bring them to Mrs Minter (found in Owl Class) and she will put them to good use!
Please do not let your children touch or play with any of the HOPE Time equipment before or after school during pick up and drop off times.



Thank you for your continued support.



Save the Children
**CHRISTMAS
JUMPER DAY**



CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY FRIDAY 12th DECEMBER

We are holding this year's Christmas jumper day at school on **FRIDAY 12th DECEMBER**. The children are invited to wear a festive jumper or anything Christmassy, in exchange for a small donation to Save the Children. Please note that we will not be having collections at our Nativity performances this year.

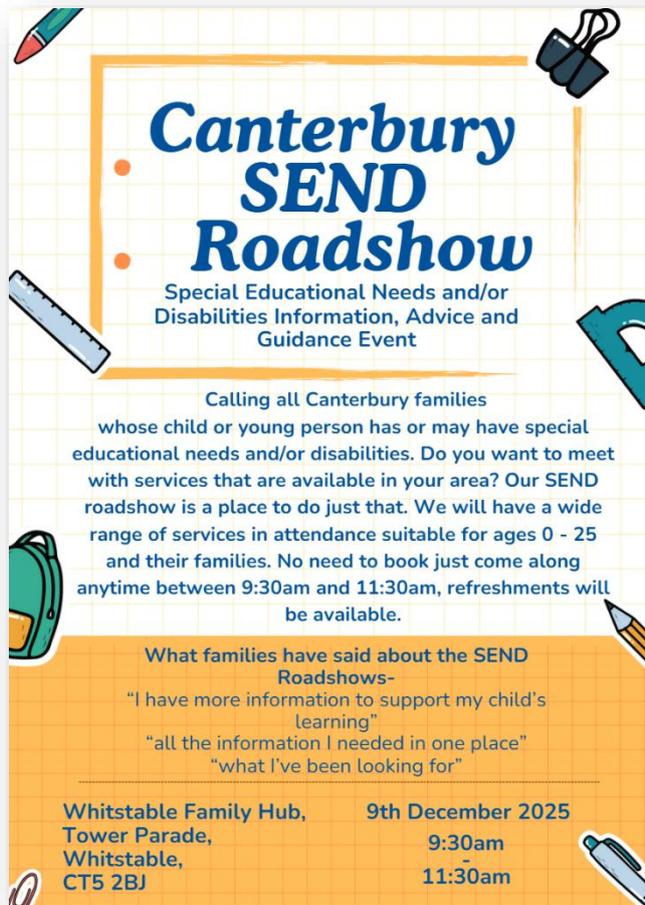
CHRISTMAS JUMPER DONATIONS

Children grow out of their clothes so quickly, we thought this would be a great opportunity to recycle and reuse the jumpers! If you have any unwanted/outgrown children's jumpers at home, we will be collecting them in school. Please bring any donations of Christmassy clothing in to the school office by Thursday 4th December. These will then be on display out side year R gate on the afternoon of Monday 8th December for anyone who would like one for their child.



YEAR R 'FIRST CLASS' PHOTOS

The Year R 'First Class' photos were published in the **Herne Bay Gazette** newspaper this week on Thursday, November 6, 2025. You can get your Herne Bay Gazette with the First Class 2025 picture special from their local newsagent, or supermarket.



Canterbury SEND Roadshow
Special Educational Needs and/or Disabilities Information, Advice and Guidance Event

Calling all Canterbury families whose child or young person has or may have special educational needs and/or disabilities. Do you want to meet with services that are available in your area? Our SEND roadshow is a place to do just that. We will have a wide range of services in attendance suitable for ages 0 - 25 and their families. No need to book just come along anytime between 9:30am and 11:30am, refreshments will be available.

What families have said about the SEND Roadshows-
"I have more information to support my child's learning"
"all the information I needed in one place"
"what I've been looking for"

Whitstable Family Hub, Tower Parade, Whitstable, CT5 2BJ	9th December 2025 9:30am 11:30am
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WELLBEING TEAM NEWS

Thursday 13th November is World Kindness Day. The inspiration for this is to make the world a kinder place. Any small random act of kindness takes minimal effort for the giver but is an enormous benefit for the receiver. Why not try it? Hold the door open for someone, give an encouraging smile or just say hello. Kindness can release feel good hormones which help lift our mood and makes the world a happier place.

If you have any questions or need any help The Wellbeing team is available on the playground most mornings, or you can e-mail on wellbeing@herne-infant.kent.sch.uk



Forest Group news

This week in Forest Group we made rockets. The children enjoyed making air powered rockets which we fired from a plastic bottle. They had to work together and we enjoyed experimenting with hard and soft squeezes of the bottles to see how far they would go.

ATTENDANCE

Fabulous attendance in **YEAR R** again this week. **97.88%**

Once again **Hedgehog Class** highest of school with
98.70%

**MOMENTS
MATTER,
ATTENDANCE
COUNTS.**



THIS WEEK'S NEWS FROM CLASS

Windmill Nursery

This week:

The pumpkins are still proving popular! Stacking, painting and washing them were this week's favoured activities! We have also learned a little about Guy Fawkes, and created some Bonfire Night inspired art, including everyone having the opportunity to use the Smartboard to design a night sky effect picture.

Next week:

Tuesday is Armistice Day, and we will be learning about the significance of wearing poppies through age-appropriate stories and videos. We will be thinking about the 'p' sound, and identifying some pictures which have that sound at the beginning. We will also be using red and purple poppies to make a simple repeating pattern.

Notices:

Please note that drinking bottles should contain water only; this is our school policy. Thank you



Year R

Highlights from this week:

This week during assembly, we learned about the story of Guy Fawkes and we now know this is why we celebrate bonfire night. We enjoyed creating our own firework displays and bonfire art – a highlight was using lots of glitter to make them extra sparkly!

In maths, we have started to learn about numbers to 5. We were able to subitise, write the digits, and recognise different representations.

In Science, we have enjoyed exploring light and dark using torches and a range of transparent and opaque objects.

Key learning for next week:

Next week, is poppy week!

We will be finding out about Remembrance and why this is an important time for people.

We will be listening to poetry linked to the theme, creating our own poppies using stamps and play dough and we will collage poppies in COOL Time.

In RE, we have started learning about stories from 'The Old Testament'. Next week's story is, 'David and Goliath'. This will help us to talk about bravery and what this means.

Notices

Changing books:

Please put both your child's reading record and both reading books in to the book change box if you would like them to be changed. Children should fully explore these at least twice before changing them.

Please leave library books in your child's book bag as we will take these out on your child's library day.

Parent helpers:

We are looking for parent helpers to support reading in Year R. If you can spare some time each week to listen to children read, please let a member of your child's class team know – we would love your help! All volunteer helpers require a DBS check, before being able to coming in to school on a regular basis..



Year 1

Highlights from this Week:

The children have really enjoyed learning about fireworks this week and playing team games with each other in PE.

A particular highlight this week was taking part in our second week of Rainbow Challenges where our Red Art challenge was to create a firework inspired sculpture using strips of paper to manipulate and our Orange History challenge was to sort pictures of everyday objects into old and new.

Key learning for next week:

Following on with our 'Little Glow' text, we are looking into Remembrance and poppies across the week, where we will be talking about the reason why we have Remembrance Day and why the poppy flower is a special symbol of it. In English we will be continuing our learning about adjectives and in Phonics we are finding out about split digraphs. We are going to be deepening our understanding of addition and subtraction, but this time working with numbers within twenty. In RE we will be looking at the traditional Christian symbols of Christmas.

Notices:

We will be sending out Nativity words to practise for those who have speaking parts, so please practise these at home in loud clear voices. We will also be sending out costume letters, so do check book bags early next week. Thank you.

Year 2

Highlights of the week:

We've had such a great week! The children loved watching their school adults re-enacting the Gunpowder Plot in a whole school assembly, writing our bonfire inspired poems and making some bonfire art. Our Rainbow COOL Time Challenges included creating posters about our focus artist Alberto Giacometti for Art and sorting pictures from moments in time for History.

Key learning for next week:

As it is Remembrance Day on Tuesday, we are having a week theme on Remembrance and why it is a significant day to us.

In Writing we will be writing acrostic poems using the past tense and focusing our spellings skills on the words 'was', 'were' and 'our'. We hope that the children will put these spellings into their poems independently. Other spellings include 'is', 'are' and 'his'. In Maths we are recognising and using the inverse relationship between addition and subtraction to check calculations.

In RE we are thinking about how some religious and non-religious people show that they care for people.

Notices:

Depending on the days we begin rehearsing for our Christmas Nativity Play, this term our PE days will be:

Otters-Wednesday or Friday

Foxes-Monday or Friday

Badgers-Monday or Friday

