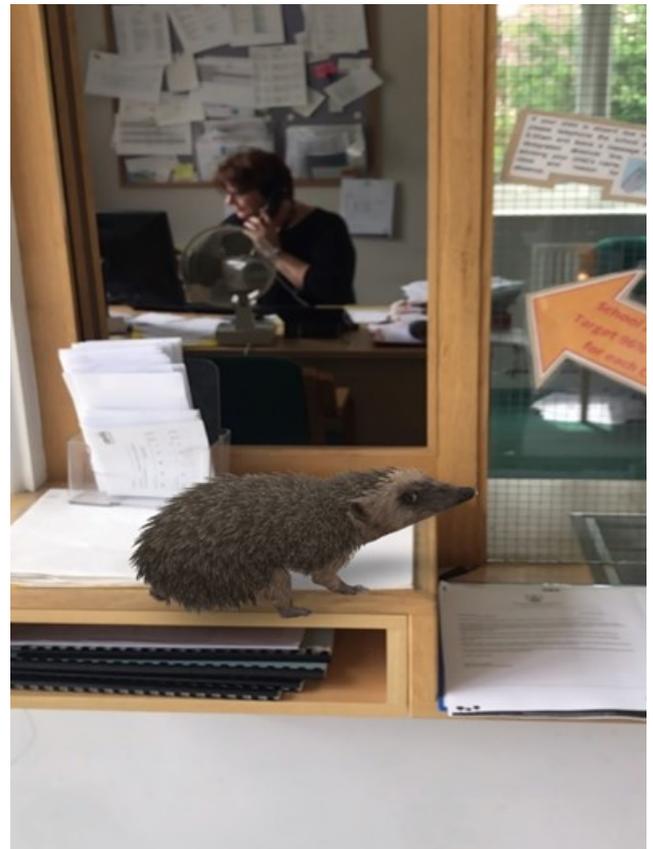


# NEWSLETTER

5th July 2019

## Pankhurst Class Update

Where has the time gone? Pankhurst class can't believe this is their very last Newsletter as year 4! We have had such an incredible term 6 and can't wait to share all our learning with you. This term we have gone hedgehog crazy and have thoroughly enjoyed reading our class text, 'The Hodgehog' by Dick King Smith. We have created some fabulous extended pieces of writing but our favourite, most certainly, was the diary entry we wrote from the point of view of Max (the main character). Miss Beaney sneakily got hold of the CCTV pictures from school and you wouldn't believe the mischief Max got up to!



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## Pankhurst Class Update Cont...

We have loved getting stuck in with our maths this term; the highlight would have to be our measurement lessons. Not only have we learnt how to convert millilitres to litres and grams to kilograms, but we also tested this knowledge by baking chocolate biscuits. It was so much fun invading the hall and baking with some of Churchill class (eating the biscuits was even better).



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**WARNING!** If you are squeamish, stop reading now because Science has been all about animals and habitats and what better way to explore this close-up than by creating our very own wormeries. We found worms in the school garden, weighed and measured them, then created the perfect habitats in our wormeries. Luckily our worms didn't escape! (Unlike some class's...cough cough...not naming any names...SHAKESPEARE.)

## Pankhurst Class Update

In topic ,we have become masters of coasts and have found it fascinating to learn all about coastal features and erosion. We all channelled our inner David Attenboroughs and designed and created machines that would help clear the ocean of rubbish. We wrote letters and sent pictures to Sir David Attenborough in the hopes that he might think our designs are so incredible he should find engineers to build them. Watch this space...



The fun didn't stop there! We have created shadow puppet theatres and puppets in art. We have spent PE lessons perfecting our rounders and cricket skills. You might as well call us Jimmy Hendrix because our guitar skills have improved that much in music and we can have even learnt how to give simple directions in French (if you are heading to France this summer you can throw away your sat nav).

Pankhurst Class has had an incredible year and we wish you all a fabulous summer!

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## P & F Update

Firstly, the Committee would like to say a massive thank you to everyone who helped and attended our Summer Fayre last Saturday. The day was a great success (despite the heat), and we managed to raise funds for the school whilst having great fun! Your support was amazing - thank you.

We have two events left for the year. Friday 12th July is 'Slip 'n' Slide', a great opportunity for some watery fun, and Saturday 13th July is the P&F Camping Event. Letters for these events recently came out and hard copies are in the school office. Please get your slips in to secure your place. We look forward to seeing you there!



## Kidenza Visit

On Tuesday morning, Darwin and Shakespeare had a fantastic morning with a composing workshop that the school won when they went to see Peter and the Wolf. Claire from Kidenza spent 90 minutes with each class. She showed the children a poem called 'Daddy Fell into the Pond' and we discussed the type of noises that could accompany the various parts of the poem. There were quacking ducks, old drakes, huge splashes and rolls of thunder all around the school. The sessions culminated with a performance for some of the other classes. It really was a fabulous experience, thoroughly enjoyed by all.



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## Meet The Teacher

Next week, there will be an opportunity for you to meet your child's class teacher for next year. This will take place straight after school in your child's new classroom. The schedule for the session is as follows:

Monday 8th July: Shakespeare: Mrs Bromfield

Tuesday 9th July: Potters: Mrs Reeves

Wednesday 10th July: Pankhurst: Miss Beaney

Thursday 11th July: Nightingale: Mrs Player

Friday 12th July: Darwin: Miss Woodcock

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> July: Churchill: Mrs Saunders

## Summer Reading Challenge

This morning, we launched this year's Summer Reading Challenge with a "BLAST OFF". The theme this year is "Space Chase". We were joined by Susan Rogers from the Kent Library Services. Susan explained that the Summer Reading Challenge will begin on Saturday 13th July at all local libraries. For completing the challenge, all children will receive a medal, certificate and stickers from the library. We will also reward all those who complete the challenge with an extra bounce on the bouncy castle in term 1.

Whilst Susan was here, we had to return our trophy for being the school with the most children who completed the challenge last year! Let's make it a hat trick and go for our third winning year in a row!



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## Welcome Back

We are all absolutely delighted that Mrs Saunders is feeling so much better and is back with us again. We have all missed her.

## Mobile Library

All mobile library books need to be returned next Friday, 12<sup>th</sup> July please. If you have received a letter from the library this week mentioning a fine, please disregard this – the mobile library will not fine you but please ensure all books are in school to return next Friday. Thank you.

## Transition

Throughout this week, all of our wonderful year sixes have visited their secondary school. We hope you all had successful visits. We have missed you and are looking forward to having all the year sixes together again, next week, as we prepare for all the end of term leavers' celebrations!

## Clubs

Clubs will run next week but finish for the summer on Thursday 11th July as Junior Football is cancelled due to the P & F Slip and Slide event.

Clubs will resume again week beginning 16th September.

## Music Lessons

Learning a musical instrument is very good for a child's development. Improving coordination and mental skills whilst learning to read a new language. A child's confidence and enjoyment also improves dramatically and the children will have opportunities to perform in assemblies and several concerts throughout the year.

I will be at Sandhurst School teaching **piano and singing** on Tuesday mornings in September. Please email me for further details if you are interested in your child having lessons.

Please contact me at [katieslowgrove@hotmail.com](mailto:katieslowgrove@hotmail.com) if you would like any further information.

Best wishes

Katie Slowgrove BA Hons PGCE

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## School Lunch Special—Priced at £2.10

If your child would like to try a school lunch on this day please send in £2.10.



**Marinated Honey, Lemon & Pepper Roast Chicken**  
**Summer Vegetable Quiche**

**Roasted Parsley New Potatoes**  
**Rainbow Coleslaw**  
**Garden Peas**

**Fresh Kent Strawberries with Shortbread Biscuit**



**Wimbledon**  
**Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> July 2019**



**Also available:**  
Jacket Potato & Fillings  
Freshly Baked Bread, Salad,  
Fresh Fruit Platter & Yoghurt



## Welly Walk

What fantastic weather the children had for their Welly Walk. Everyone had a lovely day and enjoyed raising money for our school.

Thank you to all of the parent helpers who joined us too - it was great to have you with us!



Please send in any sponsor money by the end of next week. We will keep you up to date with the total raised.



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**Welly Walk cont...**



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## Attendance & Punctuality

Shakespeare attendance treat:

This week, Shakespeare Class enjoyed celebrating winning last term's attendance with a trip to Windmill Woods. They were allowed to take a snack and a toy of their choice. The weather was glorious and they had a great time. Shakespeare have won the attendance war for the past two terms; will they be beaten in the final term? Not long now until we find out!



Class	Percentage Attendance
Potter	99.1
Nightingale	93.6
Darwin	98.7
Pankhurst	98.6
Shakespeare	99.2
Churchill	99.2

Shakespeare and Churchill Classes will have to share Ted this week with 99.2% each. Brilliant!

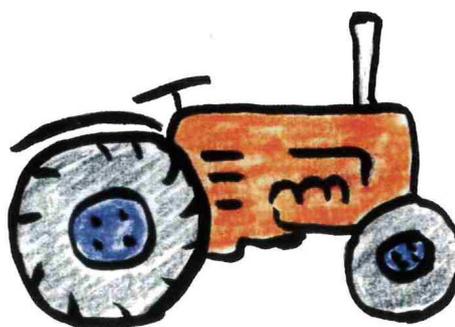
Pup goes to Churchill too - NO LATES. We're sure they are looking forward to spending a week with you as they will soon be missing you.

Well done to our younger pupils with 99.1% that's so amazing!

## Local

17 & 18 August 2019

### Biddenden Tractorfest & Country Fair



*A wonderfully old-fashioned  
day out for the whole family*

**10.00am – 5.00pm**  
(last entry 4.00pm)

Address: Woolpack Corner, Tenterden Road,  
Biddenden, Ashford Kent TN27 8BH

## Diary Dates

8th Jul	KS1 Trip to The Rare Breeds Centre
	Full Governing Body Meeting
8th -12th Jul	Meet the teacher after school
9th Jul	KS2 Trip to Port Lympne
10th Jul	New Intake visiting p.m.
11th Jul	Year 6 Performance - 7.00 p.m.
12th Jul	Leavers Assembly Mission Church
	P & F Slip and Slide
13th Jul	P & F Camping
16th Jul	Year 6 Dinner 6.30 p.m.
18th Jul	Attendance Assembly
19th Jul	Year 6 Leaver's Assembly 9.00 a.m.
	End of Term
22nd Jul	INSET Day (children not in school)
23rd Jul	INSET Day (children not in school)

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