

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to our weekly newsletter.

Curriculum news

Year 1 at Hever Castle

Y1 had a wonderful day at Hever Castle this week. After a tour of the castle, where the children learned about the different aspects of the castle. The children were especially intrigued by the hole over the moat- ask your child what it was for! We finished the day getting lost in the maze, A big thank you to our parent helper for making it happen.



Learning outside the classroom

A selection of some of our learning in Years 2, 4 and 5, which took place outside this week.



Remembrance assembly

Our Friday Celebration assembly today included Remembrance poems from Year 5 pupils. Later on, they shared their learning

with parents in a special event. The children have also created a lovely display for the corridor.





Anti-Bullying Week is next week and this year’s theme is Power for Good. The week will include special assemblies, one of which will be led by our Anti-Bullying Ambassadors. On Monday, we will join the nationwide Odd Socks day to celebrate that we are all different. The children can wear their craziest or most colourful odd socks to school (with normal uniform). During the week, the children will be involved in other activities and learning around this theme. A reminder that our Anti-Bullying policy can be found on the school website [here](#).

Helping children cope, grow and build resilience: The Window of Tolerance

We all want our children to grow into confident, resilient individuals. At home and at school, we each play a role in helping them develop these life skills. One useful idea connected to this is the Window of Tolerance. This is the zone where children feel calm, focused, and able to learn and interact. When they’re outside this zone, they might feel overwhelmed, anxious, bored, or switched off.

The good news? This window can grow. With gentle support and encouragement, children can learn to manage stress, boredom, and frustration. This helps them become more resilient and better able to cope with life’s challenges. Real growth happens when we don’t remove every difficulty, but instead help children learn how to bounce back, stay calm, and keep going. Together in partnership, we can support them to thrive—both at home and in school. As always, thank you for your support and understanding.

CUT OFF DATE Thursday 23:59	FOR WEEK COMMENCING
13 th November	24 th November
20 th November	1 st December
27 th November	8 th December
4 th December	15 th December

Diary Dates (new additions in bold)	
Wednesday 12 th November	Individual & sibling photos
Friday 14th November	Non-Uniform Day in lieu of Chocolate donations
Wednesday 19th November	Y5 Bowles Meeting for Parents 3.10
Wednesday 19 th November	Flu Vaccinations
Friday 21 st November	Y5 trip to Newhaven Fort
Thursday 27 th November	Y4 trip to Fishbourne Roman Palace
Friday 28th November	Non-Uniform day in lieu of Bottle donations
Saturday 29 th November	Friends of Holbrook Christmas Fair
Tuesday 9th December	KS1 Nativity to Y1 parents 9.15
Wednesday 10th December	KS1 Nativity to Y2 Parents 9.15
Thursday 11th December	EYFS Nativity to parents 2pm
Thursday 11th December	KS2 Carol Service at St Marys 7pm
Friday 12th December	Assemblies at St Marks

Have a lovely weekend.

Kind regards,

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