

20th October 2023

We hope you enjoy the half term break - children return to school on Tuesday 31st October!

<u>Swimming days remain the same – please check below for new PE Days</u>

Headteachers Message:

MORNING ARRANGEMENTS

The doors open in the mornings at 8:45 am. This gives a window of ten minutes for children to get settled before the register is taken.

This week we had a safeguarding audit completed by KCC and the safeguarding officer has asked me to remind parents of the following;

- 1. Parents and children should not be on site at all earlier than 8:40, unless they are coming to breakfast club, or have an appointment with a member of staff
- 2. Children must not be left unattended on the playground they should be sent straight in as soon as the doors open.
- 3. No children should be playing on the pirate ship before school. (There were unsupervised children on there during the audit.)
- 4. No wheeled toys should be used on the playground at the beginning and end of the day. (bikes, scooters, skateboards etc.)

Thank you very much for your cooperation with this. We just want to make sure that accidents don't happen and everyone remains safe at all times. Mrs Dhanecha.

School Grounds – a gentle reminder!

- Parents and carers should NOT smoke or vape anywhere on the school grounds.
- o Please do not let your children swing on the trees after school.
- No dogs (except service dogs)
- The play equipment must only be used when directly supervised by an adult/parent the school accepts no responsibility for any injuries/accidents that occur before or after school.

Nits

We have had several cases of head lice recently. Whilst head lice are nothing to worry about they do need to be

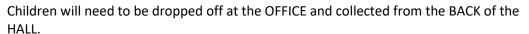
treated quickly and effectively. Most treatments require TWO applications, 7 days apart. Please check your child's hair and treat as necessary, long hair should be tied up for school.

Some parents may be eligible for free treatment – more information can be found here:

https://www.boots.com/nhs-services/minorailments

We are having a School Disco to raise funds for the Heart of Kent Hospice!

- Friday 3rd November!
- Cost will be £3 per ticket.
- Dress up as ANYTHING!!
- Please pay via Scopay we are unable to accept cash for tickets tickets will be handed out on the day.



- Apple, Pear, Ivy Holly & Oak Classes 5.30pm-6.30pm
- Walnut, Maple, Elm, Rowan, Cherry & Cedar Classes -6.45pm 8.15pm.

Ticket price will include a drink and a bag of crisps.

There will be goodies to purchase on the night – these purchases WILL need to be paid for with CASH!

Harvest Festival

Thank you for all of your donations of pens and pencils for the charity Pens for Kids UK – we have filled two massive boxes and Miss Hill will be delivering these during half term!

Ivy, Holly & Oak Classes

Next term Holly, Ivy and Oak Class will be doing DT. For this we need the following:

- Cardboard boxes (various sizes)
- Toilet roll/Kitchen roll tubes
- Cardboard egg cartons

We will really appreciate it if you have any at home to send them in with your children from next week as we will need a lot and would like to start collecting them now. Thank you – Miss Muddassir.

Lost Property

We have a HUGE amount of lost property again – please do come and look through it if you are missing items. May we take this opportunity to remind you that <u>all uniform should be labelled</u> so we can reunite lost items with their rightful owners.

Year 6

Please be aware that applications for applying for a secondary school place <u>close on 31st October</u> – please see the flyer at the end of the newsletter for more information and how to apply.

Most Secondary schools are now having open days/afternoons – please email the office and let us know if you have booked for your child to attend any. Parents also need to inform the office **before 9.30am** if their child will require a lunch.





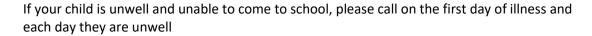
Earrings

Please ensure your child can remove their earrings themselves – children must not wear earrings for PE and we are unable to tape them.

Congratulations to "Lions" who won the team points challenge this term!!

Attendance

Congratulations to Rowan class who had the best attendance this week with 98.2% for the second week in a row! As a school we aim for 100% attendance every week!!





call - 01622 753651 CHOOSE Option 1.

Should no-one be available please leave a message stating your child's **name**, **class and reason for absence**.

Email - Attendance@park-way.kent.sch.uk

Please leave a full description of their illness.



PE Term 2

Monday

Apple, Pear, Elm & Oak

Tuesday

Ivy & Holly Classes

Wednesday

Thursday

Cherry & Rowan

Maple & Walnut

Friday

Cedar & Rowan

<u>Swimming – Term 2</u>



Please be aware that swimming forms part of the national curriculum and as such is treated like any other lesson, your child is **expected to attend every week**.

Maple – Monday Walnut - Tuesday Elm - Thursday

DIARY DATES

30th Oct Staff Training – school closed to children

31st Oct First Day of Term 2 – Children return to school

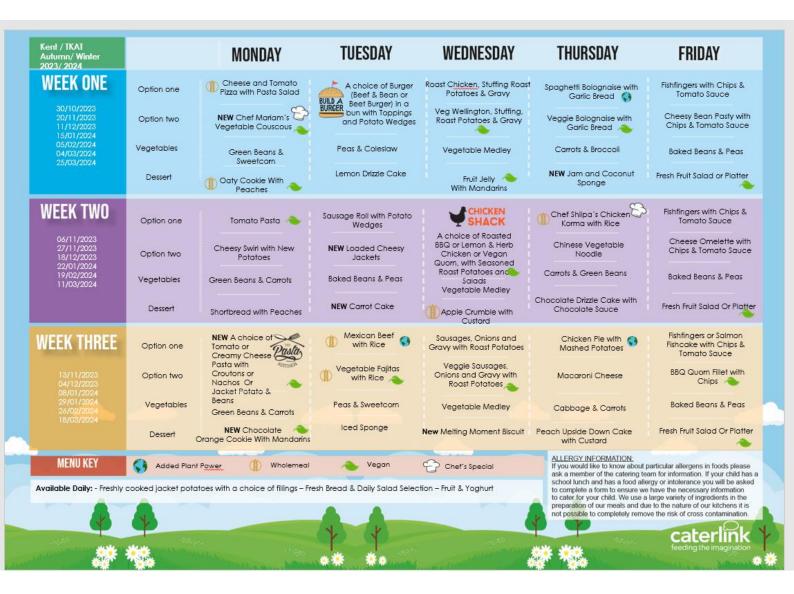
Deadline for applying for a Secondary School place

New lunch Menu from Caterlink

3rd Nov School Disco

17th Nov NHS Immunisation Service – Flu Vaccine

New Lunch Menu!



Admission to

Secondary school in Kent 2024

Apply online at kent.gov.uk/secondaryadmissions

Opens Friday 1 September 2023 and closes at midnight on Tuesday 31 October 2023

For children born between 1 September 2012 and 31 August 2013, Transferring to Secondary school in September 2024

What to do

Choose a school

It's important to find out more about the schools you are interested in before you decide to name them on the application form.

Read the Guide to Secondary admissions at <u>www.kent.gov.uk/</u> <u>secondaryadmissions</u>.

You can name up to four Secondary schools, inside or outside of Kent, but you must name them all on the same application.

Apply for a school place

A simple, fast, convenient process which opens Friday 1 September 2023 and closes at midnight on Tuesday 31 October 2023.

If you already have an account set up from the Kent Test process, please use these login details.

You will receive an email confirmation that your application has been submitted correctly and that the LA has received it.

You can log back in at any time to view the information submitted.

Receiving your offer

On offer day (Friday 1 March 2024) an email will be sent after 4pm informing you of your offer.

You must accept or decline the school place you have been offered by Friday 15 March 2024.

If we have not offered your child a place in your preferred school, you have the right to appeal. You can also add their name to the school's waiting list if your child is eligible for admission.

Moving house during the application window will likely complicate your application and we therefore advise you to pay special attention to key dates in the admissions process. KCC has no discretionary authority to vary the process for parents who cannot complete address moves in time to make use of them for admissions purposes. If you have queries relating to this, please email the team on one of the email addresses below.

Key dates Friday 1 September 2023 Online application process opens. Go to www.kent.gov.uk/secondaryadmissions to register and apply. Online application process closes for the main round. Any amendments after this date must be emailed Tuesday 31 October 2023 to kentonlineadmissions@kent.gov.uk Friday 1 March 2024 Offers of school places sent to parents via email after 4pm. Parents should contact the school to accept/refuse the place that has been offered and can use the link Friday 15 March 2024 in the offer email to ask for their child to be added to the waiting list of eligible schools named on the original application. Thursday 28 March 2024 Appeals need to be lodged by this date to be heard before September - appeals information can be found at www.kent.gov.uk/schoolappeals. You can only appeal for schools that were named on the application form.

Need help?

Email kent.admissions@kent.gov.uk or kentonlineadmissions@kent.gov.uk
Full information booklet can also be viewed online at kent.gov.uk/secondaryadmissions

Only one application per pupil will be accepted. If you apply online, do not complete any other form of application. Keep your login details safe and use your registered email address for all communication with the team.

The confirmation email may go to your junk/spam folder of your email - please check here before contacting our team for confirmation.



Term Dates 2023/2024

| TERM 1 | |
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| Friday 1st September | Staff Development Day |
| Monday 4 th September | First Day of Term 1 |
| Friday 20th October | Last Day of Term 1 |

| OCTOBER HALF TERM | |
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| Monday 23 th October to Friday 27 th October | Holiday – No School |

| TERM 2 | |
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| Monday 30 th October | Staff Development day |
| Tuesday 31 st October | First Day of Term 2 |
| Friday 15 th December | Last Day of Term 2 |

| CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY | |
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| Monday 18 th December to Monday 1 st January | Holiday – No School |

| TERM 3 | |
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| Tuesday 2 rd January | Staff Development Day |
| Wednesday 3 rd January | First Day of Term 3 |
| Friday 9 th February | Last Day of Term 3 |

| FEBRUARY HALF TERM | |
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| Monday 12 th February to Friday 16 th February | Holiday – No School |

| TERM 4 | |
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| Monday 19 th February | First Day of Term 4 |
| Wednesday 27 th March | Last Day of Term 4 |
| Thursday 28 th March | Staff Development Day |

| EASTER HOLIDAY | |
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| Friday 29 th March to Friday 12 th April | Holiday – No School |

| TERM 5 | |
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| Monday 15 th April | First Day of Term 5 |
| Monday 6 th May | Bank Holiday – No School |
| Friday 24 th May | Last Day of Term 5 |

| MAY HALF TERM | |
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| Monday 27 th May to Friday 31 st May | Holiday – No School |

| TERM 6 | |
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| Monday 3 rd June | Staff Development Day |
| Tuesday 4 th June | First Day of Term 6 |
| Tuesday 23 rd July | Last Day of Term 6 |



Class Assemblies 2023-2024



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| Friday 8 th September 2023 | No class assembly |
| Friday 15 th September 2023 | No class assembly |
| Friday 22 nd September 2023 | Cedar |
| Friday 29 th September 2023 | Rowan |
| Friday 6 th October 2023 | Cherry |
| Friday 13 th October 2023 | Elm |
| Friday 20 th October 2023 | Walnut |
| Friday 27 th October 2023 | HALF TERM |
| Friday 3 rd November 2023 | Maple |
| Friday 10 th November 2023 | Oak |
| Friday 17 th November 2023 | Holly |
| Friday 24 th November 2023 | Ivy |
| Friday 1 st December 2023 | Apple & Pear |
| Friday 8 th December 2023 | No class assembly |
| Friday 15 th December 2023 | No class assembly |
| Friday 22 nd December 2023 | CHRISTMAS |
| Friday 29 th December 2023 | CHRISTMAS |
| Friday 5 th January 2024 | No class assembly |
| Friday 12 th January 2024 | Cedar |
| Friday 19 th January 2024 | Rowan |
| Friday 26 th January 2024 | Cherry |
| Friday 2 nd February 2024 | Elm |
| Friday 9 th February 2024 | Walnut |
| Friday 16 th February 2024 | HALF TERM |

| Friday 23 rd February 2024 | Maple | | |
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| Friday 1st March 2024 | Oak | | |
| Friday 8 th March 2024 | Holly | | |
| Friday 15 th March 2024 | - | | |
| | Ivy | | |
| Friday 22 nd March 2024 | Apple & Pear | | |
| Friday 29 th March 2024 | No class assembly | | |
| Friday 5 th April 2024 | EASTER | | |
| Friday 12 th April 2024 | EASTER | | |
| Friday 19 th April 2024 | Elm | | |
| Friday 26 th April 2024 | Walnut | | |
| Friday 3 rd May 2024 | Maple | | |
| Friday 10 th May 2024 | No class assembly – pre-SATs | | |
| Friday 17 th May 2024 | No class assembly – SATs | | |
| Friday 24 th May 2024 | Cedar | | |
| Friday 31 st May 2024 | HALF TERM | | |
| Friday 7 th June 2024 | Rowan | | |
| Friday 14 th June 2024 | Cherry | | |
| Friday 21st June 2024 | Oak | | |
| Friday 28 th June 2024 | Holly | | |
| Friday 5 th July 2024 | Ivy | | |
| Friday 12 th July 2024 | Apple & Pear | | |
| Friday 19 th July 2024 | No class assembly | | |
| Friday 26 th July 2024 | SUMMER HOLIDAY | | |