



Respect, Responsibility, Hope, Courage

Brabourne

CofE Primary School

4th October 2023

Minibus

Our amazing minibus is almost ready, with a huge thank you to SAGA who kindly donated it to the school. It has now had its logo painted and the last stage is to train designated staff to drive it!

Thank you to the amazing pupils from wrap-around who have been busy polishing it up!

We are still looking for additional sponsors to help towards running costs, so if you know of any local businesses who might be interested, please do spread the word!



Harvest Festival

We look forward to welcoming you all to Brabourne Church, on **Wednesday, 18th October**, for our Harvest festival. Early club will be run at the Church from 8.15am and the service will begin at 9.00am and run to approximately 10.00am. Children should be dropped off directly at the Church (parking will be available on Hester Fenwick's field). Donations of food should be brought straight to the Church and will be donated to Bright City Church in Ashford, to support the homeless and vulnerable.



E-Safety

Each week we will be giving advice and links to help parents/ carers monitor their children's use of online resources. At school we have robust monitoring and filtering system in place to safeguard the children online. At home, this isn't always the case, so please take the time to ensure your children are safe at home and when staying with others. This week we include a link from Barnados to help parents review internet safety at home:

<https://www.barnardos.org.uk/blog/online-safety-parents-questions>

Trip to Mosque

Some of Jupiter class enjoyed a trip to Maidstone mosque last week, as part of their RE learning about Islam. The trip was fascinating and gave a real insight into Islamic belief and worship. The mosque was very welcoming and the children incredibly respectful and attentive.



Prayer of the week:

Every Friday, we celebrate the children's work and their achievements for the week. Certificates to each year group are awarded for good work, as well as Citizenship badges for putting the school values of Respect, Responsibility, Hope and Courage into action. Please look out for these when your child comes home on a Friday! Children are chosen each week to write a prayer, which they then read to the school. I include one below, written by Bradley and Ruben on Friday:

Dear God

Thank you for our wonderful school, the children and staff. Always be yourself, treat each other as you want to be treated and be kind to one another.

Amen

Open afternoons

We are holding open afternoons and an open evening for prospective Year R families wishing to start their child in 2024. If you know anyone who would be interested in visiting our wonderful school for a place for their child/ren next year, please do spread the word. A poster is also available at the end of this newsletter.

Siblings - 2024 intake

If you have a child due to start school in September 2023, would you please let Mrs Parry know, by emailing office@brabourne.kent.sch.uk, as this gives us an indication of how many Reception spaces will be available to new families. It also enables Mrs Parry (in January) to check that application forms have been submitted for all siblings.

Clubs

We have two new exciting clubs to offer from next term. The first is a choir club with Mr Connolly and the second is a Chinese club with our new Cantonese tutor. If your child is interested in joining these clubs, which will be £3.50 per session, please let Mrs Parry know, by emailing office@brabourne.kent.sch.uk, so we can gauge if these are feasible to go ahead.

In addition, our volunteers from the local community, and our older pupils, are running additional free clubs at breaktime and lunchtime for the children.

Dates for your diary:

9th October	Flu vaccinations
Tuesday 10th October/Thursday 12th October	Parent/carer consultation evenings
9am, Wednesday 18th October	Harvest Festival at Church (all welcome)
Friday 20th October	End of term 1

With best wishes,
Andrew Stapley
Headteacher

Website: www.brabourne.kent.sch.uk

Twitter: [@brabournecep](https://twitter.com/brabournecep)



Brabourne Champions!



A huge congratulations to the Y5/6 'Lionesses' who won every match in the RUSH league and went on to victory! A special mention to Phoebe who scored an amazing 6 goals!

The Year 3/4 boys also enjoyed taking part in another tournament last week and, although they didn't win, they wore their Brabourne shirts with pride.



A huge thank you to Mr Quick and his company HQ Global Search, who sponsored our new kits this year. I am sure you will agree they look incredibly smart.

Pupil Leaders

Our Y5/6 pupils have applied for various roles around the school, from House Captains to Playground Leaders.

[Pupil Leaders - Brabourne Church of England Primary School](#)

However, it's wonderful to see children on all levels of the school volunteering, suggesting ideas and aspiring to make a difference.

Last week we elected our new House Captains for 2023/2024, learning about democracy in action!

Congratulations to:

Green: Martha / Zoe

Red: Bradley / Jessica

Blue: George / Lexi

Applying for Secondary Schools (Year 6 parents)

Applications for secondary schools are open and close on Tuesday 31st October (the link is below). If you would like any advice about this then please do not hesitate to contact me.

<https://www.kent.gov.uk/education-and-children/schools/school-places/secondary-school-places#tab-2>

Mr Poleykett's Science Club.

There are a few spaces left. If your child would like to join the club please use this link to book:

<https://www.scottyscircusworkshop.co.uk/page42.html>

Farm shop

Our farm shop will be up and running shortly—look out for some eggs from our hens (bring some change with you!). Our Eco Team are also starting with a new enterprise to raise money and raise awareness of plastic pollution. Every Friday, families are welcome to bring in an old plastic handwash and get a refill for 50p per 100ml. The hand wash is organic, cruelty free, vegan and paraben free! Support our school Eco Team, reduce plastic, win, win!

Super Sunflower Growers!

The winner: Ryan (Jupiter)
Height of 211cms



Harrison (Mars)
Height of 117cms



Felicity's (Mars) sunflower grown in her grandpa's garden. It's 1.6 metres

Both Patrick's (Mars) and Emily's (Neptune) flowers grew 24cm



Lucia's (Mars) measured 136 cm and Freya's (Neptune) was 126



PTA News & Future Dates

Thank you from the PTA to everyone who came to the cake event last Friday and to those who kindly donated cake too. It was lovely to see and meet a lot of the new parents and to see lots of familiar faces too. Some parents chose to donate some change and we had told them we would be sending it to help the Libya Flood Appeal. With parents help we have sent £30 to the British Red Cross to support the Libya flood appeal.



THANKS FOR YOUR DONATION

Hi Lena,

Thank you so much for your donation of £30.00 to our Libya Floods Appeal.

The scale of a disaster like this can be hard to process. The level of devastation, and the number of people who have lost their lives, is almost unimaginable.

At times like this, it's essential that we work together and get the people affected the help they need. By making a donation, you've not only shown great kindness, you've also become an important part of that response. Without people like you, we just couldn't do what we do.

Updates on the situation are still coming in, and it might be some time before we know the true extent of this tragedy. We'll be updating both our website and social media channels as new information comes in, so keep an eye on those for the latest news.



Upcoming events:

Friday 13th October	Coin challenge finishes
Friday 13th October	PTA Donut Sale after school
Thursday 19th October	Bring in a harvest vegetable dressed in fancy dress and come to school dressed to match your vegetable £2.
Friday 17th November	1st pre-Christmas fayre non-uniform day in return for a Christmas food item
Friday 24th November	Non-uniform day in return for a jazzy jar!
Friday 1st December	Non-uniform day in return for a tombola bottle



Venus class are excited to have African land snails in the classroom! Lots of discussion has been generated and the children have been showing responsibility by checking the snail's food and water daily.



Class News



It's been a busy week for maths in Mars! We have been ordering and comparing numbers, creating number lines and practising our flexible partitioning skills.



As part of our topic homework, a couple of children in Jupiter class have built examples of a Maya city. Each model has a temple as a main feature. We wanted to show you how amazing these models are.



Neptune class are very excited to welcome 3 new class members (well gerbils!) Lots of children have already signed up to look after them, which is wonderful to see. Looking after a pet requires care, commitment, patience and kindness which, luckily, Neptune class have plenty of!





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Open Evening

We warmly welcome prospective parents of children due to start school in September 2024 to our Open Evening on **Thursday 16th November - 5.00 pm - 7.00 pm**

This is an opportunity for you to meet staff and governors informally, as well as look around our school. We are a small, village, Church of England school for children from 4 years to 11 years of age. Our vision is that children will grow and flourish in their time with us, developing a life-long love of learning and becoming the best they can be.



We are also offering small group tours during the school week where you will see our wonderful children in action! These will be taking place:

Monday 16th October at 10.00 am

Wednesday 1st November at 1.15 pm

Tuesday 7th November at 10.00 am

Thursday 9th November at 1.15 pm

Please contact Mrs Parry, School Office, if you wish to join us at any of these events

Tel: 01303 813276

"You are passionately committed to ensuring that every pupil has something they can be proud of and fantastic in. This vision drives the ethos of the school and creates a happy, harmonious place where pupils thrive". Ofsted 2018

Website: www.brabourne.kent.sch.uk

Twitter: [@brabournecep](https://twitter.com/brabournecep)

Admission to Secondary school in Kent 2024

Apply online at
[kent.gov.uk/secondaryadmissions](https://www.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 www.kent.gov.uk/secondaryadmissions.

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.
Tuesday 31 October 2023	Online application process closes for the main round. Any amendments after this date must be emailed to kentonlineadmissions@kent.gov.uk
Friday 1 March 2024	Offers of school places sent to parents via email after 4pm .
Friday 15 March 2024	Parents should contact the school to accept/refuse the place that has been offered and can use the link 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](https://www.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.



We are delighted
to invite you
to the 18th
Annual



Thursday October
26th 2023

6.00 – 9.00 pm

(Special preview for disabled
visitors 5.30 – 6.00 pm)

Check out our website
elhamchristmasmarket.co.uk
for more information.

FOR PILGRIMS HOSPICES

We are absolutely DELIGHTED to tell you that our very popular festive event, with over 35 stalls, in a pretty festive atmosphere, offering unique and special Christmas gifts, including:

Jewellery * Ceramics * Stained Glass * Lino Cuts Prints * Glass * Art
Linens * Accessories * Christmas Cards and Decorations * Wooden Craft,
as well as lots of fabulous Local Produce

will be taking place at:

Elham Village Hall, Elham, Kent, CT4 6SX

There will also be a fabulous raffle to raise money for the Hospices,
(who, as always, desperately need our support)

If you can't make it, check out our website: elhamchristmasmarket.co.uk
with contact details of our lovely traders including their websites, FB and
Etsy pages. There is also a JustGiving Page for donations and every £2.00
donated gives you a chance to win a fabulous Luxury Hamper.

We look forward to seeing you on the night....Do please bring your friends!
Please bring cash too for smaller purchases although many traders
can now take card payments.

Entry: £1.00 minimum (kids under 10 go free) – Cash required please!
Please park, weather permitting, in field in Park Lane (opposite the village hall),
leaving main Car Park for those less able!

**Any enquiries contact:
Carol on 01303 840430**





**RAW SKILLS
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25th - 27th October @ AHC

Holiday Camp

9am -3pm, £54 per day, Ages 8-15

**Raw Skills Hockey Academy world class camps!
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players to change your game this half term!**



**Scan code to book your place
or go online**

<https://www.rawskillshockeyacademy.com/book-online>

FUN RUNS



ASHFORD AC
GIVAUDAN
KIDS FUN RUN

SUNDAY 8TH OCTOBER 2023

08:45AM

£3:00 ENTRY ON DAY (CASH)

MEDALS TO ALL

0-10 YRS 400M

11-14 YRS 800M

REGISTRATION CLOSSES AT 08:35 AM

JULIEROSE STADIUM



Folkestone Model Railway Club

MODEL RAILWAY EXHIBITION

Leas Cliff Hall, Folkestone, CT20 2DZ
Sat 7th & Sun 8th October 2023, 10am-5pm

Supported by:



ADULT (16+): £7.50
CHILD(5-15): £3 FAMILY: £19



www.folkestone-mrc.com



Photography

Photographs will be taken at this event for publicity purposes and may be used on the Sandwich Chess Club website, on social media pages and in other junior chess publicity, but photos will not be individually captioned. Please contact us in advance of the event if you do not wish your child's image to be used in this way.

Catering

Tea, coffee, squash and biscuits will be available all day on a donations basis. Barham Village Store is located at the hall and opens from 9:00am until 12 midday on Saturdays. Please note that there will be no catered lunch (e.g. sandwiches or hot food) available at the event. Food and drink may be consumed in Barham Village Hall's main waiting areas all day.

Travel / Parking

Barham is a small village situated just west of the A2 between Canterbury and Dover. The 17 bus between Canterbury and Folkestone serves Barham (nearest stop 'The Grove'). There is a small car park beside the hall, and on-street parking on Valley Road is free - except on the double-yellow lines!



Contact Details

Tournament Director, Jon Hunt

Email: club@sandwichess.uk

Tel.: 07917 877727

<https://sandwichess.uk/tournaments>



Sandwich Chess Club thanks its sponsors, *Kent Museum of the Moving Image*, for their generous support of this and all of the club's junior activities.



THE 1ST EAST KENT JUNIOR CHESS CONGRESS

*A qualification event for the London
Junior Chess Championships*

Saturday 21st October 2023
9:45 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.

VENUE:

Barham Village Hall, Valley Road
Barham, Canterbury, Kent CT4 6NX

*Tournament Director: Jon Hunt
Chief Arbiter: Harry Sharples*

Online entry only, at:

<https://sandwichess.uk/tournaments>

Early bird discount for ECF Silver members!
Save £3.00 when you join the ECF or renew your membership in 2023/24 and enter by 21st September.

Pay just £15.00!!!

Sections

U18 Major – ECF rating 1300+

U18 Minor – ECF rating U1300

Under 12

Under 10

Under 8

Ages are taken as of 1st September 2023. The most recent ECF ratings will be used.

Entry fee (ECF Silver members):

£18.00 (£15.00 until 21/9/23)

Non-member price **£25.00**

Juniors receive their first year's ECF membership free! Renewal is only £6.00.

<https://www.englishchess.org.uk/ecf-membership-rates-and-joining-details/>

Entry deadline: Thursday 19th October

Late entries, if accepted, incur a £5 late fee.

Time control: 20|10

(20 minutes for all moves plus an increment of 10 seconds per move from move 1)

Book prizes (1st Boy/Girl), trophies (top 3 East Kent players) & medals (1st/2nd/3rd) in all sections

The organisers reserve the right to combine sections as required, but all prizes will be awarded.

East Kent trophy eligibility:

The East Kent trophies are awarded to the highest-placed players in each section (after the knockout stages have ended on the 21st).

LJCC qualification criteria (out of 6):

- **Under 8: 4 points**
- **Under 10 Minor: 3½ points**
- **Under 10 Major: 4½ points**
- **Under 12 Minor: 3½ points**
- **Under 12 Major: 4½ points**

Visit the LJCC website for further details:

<https://www.ljcc.co.uk>

Schedule

Doors open	9:30am
Welcome	9:45am
Round 1	10:00am
Round 2	11:20am
Round 3	12:30pm
Round 4	1:40pm
Round 5	2:50pm
Round 6	4:00pm
Prizegiving	5:20pm
End	5:30pm

Rules of the tournament:

This will be a 6-round Swiss-system tournament, in which players are systematically paired against one another round by round. It is not a knockout tournament - i.e. all players play in all rounds.

If there is an odd number of players in a section, then one player in the draw will receive a full-point bye for that round and, if possible, will be paired for a friendly game instead. (Players score 1 for a win, ½ for a draw, 0 for a loss.)

Digital clocks will be used, and the FIDE Laws of Chess shall apply - e.g. touch-move. All sections will be sent for rapidplay grading with the English Chess Federation, and data is shared with the ECF for this purpose. Tie-break rules will be: (1) Direct Encounter; (2) Median-Buchholz; (3) Buchholz Cut 1; (4) Buchholz; (5) Drawing of lots.

Accessibility

There is disabled parking immediately in front of the hall. The tournament room and waiting areas are all on ground level, and there is a disabled toilet.

Conduct

Sandwich Chess Club is grateful to Barham Village Hall for the use of this community facility. Please treat the premises with respect and follow all signs and rules as requested. A high standard of behaviour and respect for others and for their property is expected at all times. Players entering or leaving the playing area while other games are still in progress should do so quietly.

Sandwich Chess Club and its officials are unable to act *in loco parentis* for children. Parents / guardians / carers are responsible for their children throughout the duration of this event. U16s must not be left at the event without adult supervision, although this may be shared. U10s must be supervised by their own parents / guardians / carers.

Sandwich Chess Club has adopted the ECF Child

Half term activities

OCTOBER 2023




MON 23

COME & SING DAY

▾ Ashford  8 - 14  No experience needed  15




TUES - FRI
24 - 27

ORCHESTRA ONE

▾ Ashford  11 - 18  Any level  50




TUES 24

CLARINET & SAXOPHONE DAY

▾ Rochester  8 - 18  Grades 2 - 5  15




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RECORDER DAY

▾ Rochester  8 - 18  Grades 1 - 4  15




THURS 26

BRASS DAY

▾ Rochester  8 - 18  Grades 2 - 5  15

FRI 27

STRINGS DAY

▾ Ashford  8 - 18  Grades 2 - 5  15



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