



Respect, Responsibility, Hope, Courage

Brabourne

CofE Primary School

5th May 2026

Welcome back to the summer term—we hope you all had a lovely Easter break.

It's been wonderful to see the children return so positively, and the term is already shaping up to be a busy and enjoyable one, with a range of sporting events, our summer fair, Sports Day, STEM opportunities, Arts enrichment, COOL time activities, trips, as well as gardening activities, our farm shop in action and bee hive visits for pupils.

A quick reminder that the field is now open for parking before and after school.

We are also working towards achieving both our Platinum Sports Mark Award and our Artsmark Award this year, reflecting the breadth of opportunities available to pupils across sport and the arts.

We look forward to sharing some of the wonderful learning opportunities ahead with you this summer term.

Best wishes,
Andrew Stapley

Planning

Please find below our topics of study for this term, detailing what the children are learning:

Venus: Key Concept Question: What was the world like long ago?

Mars: Key Concept Question: Why is woodland so important to life?

Neptune: Key Concept Question: How did the Grecian and Egyptian empires change the world?

Jupiter: Key Concept Question: How do prehistoric Britain change how we live today?

Parent Questionnaire Reminder

Please complete the online survey by **Tuesday 5th May**. Thank you.



Cake Sale

After school on Friday 15th May. Thank you for supporting our minibus.

SATS / CATS

We finally have some warm weather, so it must mean it's that time of year, with exams coming up for Year 5 & 6. The week commencing the 11th May, Year 6s will be undertaking their SATs examinations in the school hall. Please make sure children arrive promptly this week and having had a good breakfast. Year 5s will also be taking their CAT examinations on 9th June. We wish Jupiter class all the very best of luck! Next term teachers will be assessing all children in view of the final end of year reports which will go out at the end of the academic year.

Prayer of the week:

Dear Lord

Thank you for the parable of the mustard seed, let us remember that if you believe in yourself and have hope, like the seed we can grow into a strong tree.

Amen

SAVE THE DATE

Sports Day/Summer Fair

Friday 26th June 2026



BEACON SCHOOL



Class News



Since returning to school, Venus Class have had a truly wonderful start to the term with a very special trip to Poulton Woods. It made the day even more meaningful as it took place on Earth Day, helping us to appreciate and celebrate the natural world around us.

We enjoyed a beautiful bluebell walk, taking in the stunning scenery and spotting lots of signs of spring along the way. The children were so excited to take part in pond dipping, where we discovered four newts, a baby dragonfly, lots of snails and even a fresh water shrimp!

The children also loved exploring on a nature walk, carefully observing the different flowers and wildlife around us. To make the day even more memorable, we finished with a lovely vintage-style lunch at Aldington Village Hall, enjoying a delicious selection of cakes, fruit and sandwiches together.



Mars have had a brilliant couple of weeks. A real highlight has been starting Outdoor Learning. The children have enjoyed playing field games, exploring the woods, walking through the stream, digging vegetable patches and carrying Queen Molly on a pallet carriage as a team!

We have also started reading our new text, 'Into the Forest', in English, where we have enjoyed debating the dilemma of whether the character should go the long way round like his mother has advised or go into the forest...

In Maths, we have been exploring fractions and have been studying parts and wholes, equal and unequal parts and introducing the fraction of a half.

We are exploring Judaism for the next two terms in RE, and so far we have discovered that Jewish people worship in synagogues and celebrate Shabbat on Friday.



Neptune class re very excited to be learning about the Egyptians this term. This week they have made some beautiful Egyptian masks.



Jupiter class have started our new topic - Scavengers and Settlers. It is all about The Stone Age and The Metal Ages (The Copper Age, The Bronze Age and The Iron Age). We are starting with The Stone Age and have created a time line of the significant events that happened during this prehistoric era. The Stone Age is split into three eras: the Paleolithic era, the Mesolithic era and the Neolithic are. Significant events include the discovery of fire, the creation of the wheel and building Stonehenge. We are looking forward to finding out more about this prehistoric time.



GROUND FORCE DAY

10TH MAY

9.30AM - 12PM



Tea and cake available!



LOTS OF JOBS NEED DOING!

- ✓ HEDGE CUTTING & PRUNING
- ✓ TIDYING, SWEEPING & CLEARING
- ✓ REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE
- ✓ AND MUCH MORE!



EXTERNAL PAINTING

so please bring brushes!



Mrs Brown - Harris and Miss Court are hosting a 3 day STEM Holiday Club (ages 5–11) at Brabourne School over half term on Tues 26th, Wed 27th and Thurs 28th May 9:00am–1:00pm.

These fun, hands-on sessions are packed with science experiments, engineering challenges and creative activities.

Across the 3 days, children will make slime, lava lamps, tie-dye creations and more - bringing home something new each day.

For more information and for booking please see the PopUpPlay flyer below. Discounted price for attending all 3 days. Early booking recommended - limited availability.

<https://bookwhen.com/popupplaykent>

POP UP PLAY.

**CHILDREN'S STEM
HOLIDAY CLUB
AGES: 5 - 11**

**SLIME | TIE DYE | LAVA LAMPS &
MORE!**

**TUE 26TH, WED 27TH & THU 28TH MAY
9:00AM - 1:00PM
@ BRABOURNE CE PRIMARY**

**LIMITED SPACES AVAILABLE -
PRE BOOKING ESSENTIAL**

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WE NEED YOU!

Will you join the PTA?

After five wonderful years of service, our current committee is looking for new members to take the lead. Don't worry — joining doesn't mean a five-year commitment! Any time and support you can offer makes a difference. If we keep the PTA going, we can continue enjoying fun events like bingo and our Christmas and summer fairs.

WHAT WE DO

The PTA helps strengthen the school community and improve the overall experience by raising funds for resources such as school equipment and school trips. This is achieved through organising a variety of events and fundraising activities.

Why join the PTA?



Make your voice heard

Stay informed

Support your child

Connect with parents

Share your ideas

We'd love your **SKILLS**, **EXPERTISE**, **TALENTS**, **TIME** and **ENERGY**

Please contact us at brabournecepspta@gmail.com





Come and find out more about Girlguiding, join in with some unit activities and have fun!

 1st Brabourne & Smeeth Scout & Guide HQ, Church Road, Smeeth, TN25 6SA
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 Wednesday 8th July 2026

5.30pm - 6.45pm
Rainbows (age 4 - 7)
Brownies (age 7 - 10)

6.45pm - 8.30pm
Guides (age 10 - 14)
Rangers (age 14 - 18)

Who? Girls between the ages of 4 - 18



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Regional Grades NDP 2026

KENT LIONS FC DISABILITY TEAM PLAYERS WANTED

AGED 7 ONWARDS

We are an all inclusive club, everyone will receive the same training and game time regardless of ability. Once a month, we play in the Kent Disability league.

We are looking to add to our 120+ players, across our U11, U13, U16 & Adult teams.

Junior Training **5:30-6:30PM** &
Adult Training **6:30-7:30PM**
every Friday at Pitchside in
Ashford. Postcode: TN23 5RW

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