

AMHERST SCHOOL

TRUST KINDNESS DETERMINATION FAIRNESS CO-OPERATION POLITENESS

MESSAGE FROM MR REID

It has been an entertaining week in school with children in each year group auditioning for Amherst's Got Talent, building up to the final this morning. The children loved watching the finalists perform and there was a wide range of talent on offer. Congratulations to the overall winner Ella J (5A) who sang 'Consider Yourself' from Oliver. Sam H, Gabriella P and Charlie M were the year group winners.

We are looking forward to welcoming Year 6 children and staff home tonight after their week away at Hilltop. It sounds like they have had a brilliant week. I'm sure they will all be ready for a good rest over the weekend.

Mr Reid



Our spectacular winners!

Our wonderful judges!



34th Edition

12 June

2026





REPORT ABSENCE - Please [click here](#) to complete the quick Daily Absence Form on our website before 9.00am for every day your child is off school. The form should also be used for medical appointments, holiday requests and school visits.



NUT FREE SCHOOL

Please note that we are a nut free school. Items to put on your radar is: Pesto, Nutella, Biscuits (which contain nuts).

SNACKS



Please **do not give your child snacks to SHARE**. Breaktime snacks should be fruit or vegetable.

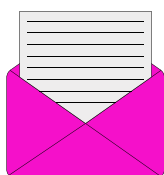


CLUBS — WEEK beginning 14 June 2026

CANCELLED CLUBS:

Thursday - Year 3 / 4 Cricket Club

All other clubs should be running as normal.



LETTERS SENT

- Year 3 - [Intended Learning](#)
- Whole School - Parent Governor Election
- Year 3 - resending of the Rivers Trip letter



VACANCIES - please visit [Kent Teach](#) to apply.

- Teaching Assistant
- Midday Meal Supervisor



PARENT GOVERNOR ELECTION

To stand for election or to nominate someone, please complete the form ([click here](#)) and return it to the school office in a sealed envelope marked 'Parent Governor Election'.

The closing date for nominations is Monday 22 June 2026 at 4.30pm.



TRASH TO TREASURE CLUB - Monday 15 June - Games or Toys

Please bring in flat cardboard boxes and lids, tubes, string or yarn.

CALENDAR DATES 2026**** Red dates added / changed this week**

16-Jun	Parent Consultations - Year 5
17-Jun	Year 3 Trip - Lullingstone Castle
18-Jun	Parent Consultations - Year 5
20-Jun	Amherst Choir - Sevenoaks Three Arts Festival - 9.15am
23-Jun	Year 5 (5A) - Refugee Performance - Sevenoaks School
26-Jun	Year 5 (5J & 5CS) - Refugee Performance - Sevenoaks School
26-Jun	Clubs End
30-Jun	Buddy Meeting: Year 5 & 2 - Olympics Event with Riverhead
02-Jul	Kent Transition day
03-Jul	Amherst Choir - Hillview Primary Festival of Arts - 9.30am
03-Jul	Sports Day - 1.30pm
04-Jul	PTA: Amherst Summer BBQ
06-Jul	Year 6 Parents -Helping Your Child Move to Secondary School - 17:30—19:30pm
06-Jul	Year 5 - Sex & Relationship Education Talks - please avoid booking Secondary School Open Days
06-Jul	No Parent Readers for the rest of the term
08-Jul	District Sports
09-Jul	PTA: Ice Lolly Sale
10-Jul	PTA: Leavers' Disco - 5.30pm - 7.30pm
13-Jul	Summer Production - Dress Rehearsal - 1.45pm - 3.00pm
14-Jul	Summer Production - Matinee Performance - 1.45pm - 3.00pm
15-Jul	Summer Production - Evening Performance - 7.00pm - 8.15pm
16-Jul	Summer Production - Evening Performance - 7.00pm - 8.15pm
17-Jul	PTA: Ice Lolly Sale
21-Jul	Rose Clifton Cricket Match
21-Jul	LAST DAY OF TERM
SUMMER	



Music - Food - Games - Inflatables

AMHERST SUMMER BBQ

Join us for a fun afternoon of family entertainment!

Saturday 4 July
3pm - 7pm

Sponsored by

G.K. PERRY
Building services

SUMMER AUCTION



PLACE YOUR GROUP OR INDIVIDUAL BIDS!

The PTA is excited to announce that the Summer Auction is officially launching!

The auction features a variety of exciting school related experiences 🐶, and opportunities 🧑, as well as many other lots donated by local businesses 🙌 and Amherst parents 🍰. There are two ways to participate:

🧑♂️ INDIVIDUAL BIDS

Bid on your own for any auction item that catches your eye whether it's a personal training session 🏃♀️, tennis camp 🎾 or front row seats at the summer production 🎭.

👨👩👧👦 GROUP BIDS

Team up with friends, classmates, or other families to submit a joint bid on some fun experiences for the children such as the VIP class pass to lunch for a week 🍴 or enjoy s'mores by the campfire for a group of friends at lunchtime! 🔥

The auction will close at midday on Wednesday 24th June. All proceeds will contribute to the PTA's fundraising goals and directly support the school for the benefit of our children 🏫

Don't miss your chance to participate, support our school community, and win some fantastic prizes.

FOR AUCTION DETAILS AND BIDDING INSTRUCTIONS, VISIT

[HTTPS://AUCTIONOFPROMISES.COM/2026AMHERSTPTASUMMERAUCTION](https://AUCTIONOFPROMISES.COM/2026AMHERSTPTASUMMERAUCTION)

The signup process is short and no payments are made online.

We will contact all winning bids by email to take payment.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT, AND HAPPY BIDDING!

STAR OF THE WEEK

3B	Leo C
3FB	Oscar H-M
3WH	Ollie P
4C	Ed K
4HR	Isabella G
4SL	Freya C

5A	Henry V
5CS	Jamie H
5J	Sienna B
6A	
6DT	
6N	



FOOTBALL

A massive congratulations to Max L, Dexter S, and Maddock M on being selected for the West Kent Squad 2026/27. Well done boys!



AMHERST'S GOT TALENT

Amherst's Got Talent was an unforgettable celebration of creativity, courage, and fun!

A huge thank you to our own 'Ant&Dec', Mr Barratt, who kept the energy high and the audience entertained throughout the show. Our fantastic judging panel — Mr Clarke, Miss Lynch and Mrs Stafford — had the incredibly tough job of choosing between so many amazing performances.

The children wowed us all with their incredible talents, showcasing everything from drumming and comedy to singing and dancing. Every act was filled with confidence, enthusiasm, and creativity, making it a truly memorable event.

For the first time in Amherst history, our audience joined in as fans to cheer on Charlie, creating an electric atmosphere that had everyone waving along. To top it all off, our judges even surprised us by showing off their own gymnastic abilities, adding even more laughter and excitement to the day.

What an amazing celebration of talent across our school community — we are already looking forward to next year's Amherst's Got Talent!





Please click on the images or scan the QR codes for more information.

Some see the 'label' of a Young Carer as a negative and have many ideas as to what this would be mean for them and the family, so let us give you some reassurance.

A Young Carer is a child aged 5-18yrs who provides a form of care, supervision or emotional support, usually to a family member who may have:

- A long-term health condition, illness or frailty
- Physical Disability
- Neurodevelopmental Disorder
- Poor mental health
- Substance misuse issue

Please follow this link to learn more <https://carers.org/downloads/yc-parent-resource.pdf>

If you feel your child meets the criteria please email senco@amherst.kent.sch.uk and ask for Miss Watson to make a referral.

Parent and Carers School Age Childcare Survey



School Age Childcare Survey

The need for childcare does not stop when children reach school-age, we know that families continue to need childcare before and after school, and during the school holidays. As a result, the Department for Education is taking a strategic approach to the future of School Aged Childcare (SAC) which builds on the successes of programmes such as the National Wraparound Childcare programme, the Holidays Activities and Food programme (HAF) and the national rollout of the Free Breakfast Club programme, to ensure families are supported, year-round, by an outstanding SAC system.

The Education People's Early Years and Childcare Service is conducting a survey on behalf of Kent County Council, of parents and carers to determine their term time and holiday childcare requirement for children aged 0-14 and up to 18 for disabled children.

The information will help us assess if there are any gaps in provision and how best to meet the needs of all families. Please find below the link and QR Code. We would be very grateful if you could please complete by 17 July 2026.

[Parent and Carers School Age Childcare Survey – Fill in form](#)



Are you a working parent?

Do you need support with childcare costs for your primary school aged children before and after the school day? You may be eligible for Tax-Free Childcare or Universal Credit Childcare.

Scan the QR codes for more details.



Tax-Free
Childcare



Universal Credit
Childcare



Or call the Kent Children and Families
Information Service: 03000 41 23 23



Or email:
kentcfis@theeducationpeople.org

THE FESTIVAL THEATRE

OUT OF THE ORDINARY



THE PERFECT ANTIDOTE TO THE FOOTBALL SEASON!

ALL TICKETS £15

If booked between Mon 8 - Fri 12 June.

For one evening only the gardens at Penshurst Place will be transformed into a living theatre, filled with extraordinary performances and artistic experiences. You can enjoy:

Magical **ballet dancers**

Art created before your eyes

Live music from a fantastic band

A breathtaking **aerial performance** from on top of a black taxi

The rare opportunity to **explore the gardens** after hours

A delicious selection of **street food** and refreshments

With something to delight every generation, Midsummer Glow Fest is a truly unique evening out for families, friends and visitors of all ages.

We are looking forward to welcoming you there.

BOOK HERE: THEFESTIVALTHEATRE.ORG 07379 488 477



RIVERHEAD PARISH COUNCIL

Please see the survey results on the link below. If you can share these with your parent and carer community in an upcoming newsletter, we would be very grateful.

[Riverhead Parish Survey Results 2026](#)

The output is incredibly insightful, and we are very happy with the level of response received. The results will help shape decisions made by RPC, providing us with a clear idea of our residents' priorities when guiding precept spending decisions.

Thank you again for your vital help in getting this survey distributed to the school community.

Please click on the images for more information.



Does your child love making new friends?

The award-winning makers of *The Dog House* are **casting** for a brand-new **BBC** series about **friendship**. We are looking for **children aged 5 to 8** from all over the UK who are sociable and enjoy making new friends.

If your child is interested (with no pressure to take part) please apply at:

makingfriends.tv





SHOWTIME
SUMMER WORKSHOP
 Come along for lots of fun!
dancing, singing, acting!

K-Pop Day
 Tuesday 18th August


Oliver
 Wednesday 19th August


High School Musical
 Thursday 20th August


Sevenoaks School,
 High Street Sevenoaks TN13 1HU
 Book via our website: www.showtime.london
 Sibling discounts available
 £110 for 3 days, or £45 for one day

WE MAKE FOOTBALLERS.

SUMMER FOOTBALL HOLIDAY DEVELOPMENT CAMP FOR 5-12 YEAR OLDS
 SEVENOAKS

20TH-24TH JULY
27TH-31TH JULY



Football Development Camps built around our proven coaching method, designed to help every player improve - whatever their level.

SCHEDULE & PRICE

STANDARD PRICE:
£140 FOR 1 WEEK (MON-FRI)
£35 PER DAY

Tuesday to Friday: 10am - 3pm
 9:30am drop off and 3pm collection



TEAM GAMES EVERY DAY



DAILY SKILL CHALLENGES



ALL ABILITIES WELCOME



1V1 & TOURNAMENT DAY

BOOK A SPACE



CAMP ADDRESS
 Dunton Green Pavilion
 Sevenoaks
 TN13 2UR

TRUSTED BY OVER 100,000 PARENTS


Please click on the images or scan the QR codes for more information.



HOLIDAY CAMPS

Childcare Vouchers welcome!

BOOK NOW

TEAMTHEME KENT

Summer 2026 Holiday Playscheme at Sevenoaks Primary School



Our Summer Holiday Playscheme this year will run from

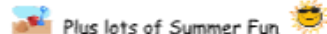
Wednesday 22nd - Thursday 30th July
Monday 3rd - Thursday 6th August

Full Day (8am - 6pm) sessions £40.00
Half Day (9am - 3pm) £27.00

Breakfast, healthy mid-morning snack and hot and cold tea options will be available for all full day bookings
 Half days include the healthy snack

We use both inside and outside play environments which are set up by our team of qualified and experienced Playworkers to meet the interests of the children attending each day. The scheme will be full of child initiated and adult led activities including a vast selection of resources that can be freely chosen throughout the day including...

Construction Small World Role Play Art & Crafts
 Board / Card Games Sports / Group Games Cookery

 Plus lots of Summer Fun

If you would like to book places please email childcare@play4ages.co.uk

Completed registration documentation is required prior to attending the playscheme and full payment will secure your place. Places are non-refundable.

Once confirmed by us, prior to any payment being made, places are not able to be changed or cancelled therefore

please DO NOT book until you can commit to the places.

The Play 4 Ages Team