

AMHERST SCHOOL

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Welcome Back!

I would like to **welcome all new families to Amherst** in Year 3 and other year groups. The children have made an **excellent start** to the new year even if some were a little nervous on the first day (which is very normal!). **Starting at a new school can be hard** so don't be surprised if your child is tired tonight. There is so **much for them to learn and take on board** regarding new routines and expectations. I have been **very impressed with how the children have managed** so far.

Well done and thank you to our Year 6 Buddies who have helped welcome Year 3 to Amherst. Not just physically on the first morning, but during break and lunchtime too. It was wonderful to observe Buddies sitting together yesterday having their lunch.

Welcome to our new staff who have settled well and are adjusting to a working life at Amherst. It always amazes me that as schools we are all doing the same thing but each school feels so different.

We are **finalising our club offer**, which will be **sent out next week**. Our wide range of clubs is a **real strength of Amherst** and enriches a child's school experience.

I hope you all have a **good weekend** and look forward to completing a full week next week.



1st Edition

4 Sep

2026

Mr Reid



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.



LETTERS SENT

Year 6 - Hilltop

Year 6 - World War II Film Clips



RIVERHEAD CARNIVAL

Look out for the box in the foyer next week and thank in advance for your kind donations!



SCHOOL CAR PARK

For safety reasons, please note that the car park is only for staff and disabled use. If you are running late and need to drop your child off, please park on the road.



CONSENT

Please be reminded to provide the following consent for **year 5 & 6** on www.schoolgateway.com if you have not yet:

Walking Home / Photo / Parent Drivers / Emergency Medical Consent / Local Visits

**** Please note that years 3 & 4 must be collected from school by an adult.**



PARENT READERS / VOLUNTEERS

Please indication on www.schoolgateway.com if you or any grandparent are interested in reading with our children.



LUNCH MONEY

Please remember to top up your child's lunch money accounts on www.schoolgateway.com.



DESIGN A

Christmas light

Calling all Santa's helpers aged 0-11!
Can you help us brighten up Sevenoaks?

Enter our Christmas Light Design Competition and you could have your design turned into a Christmas light!

You have until **September 17th** to send in your entry.

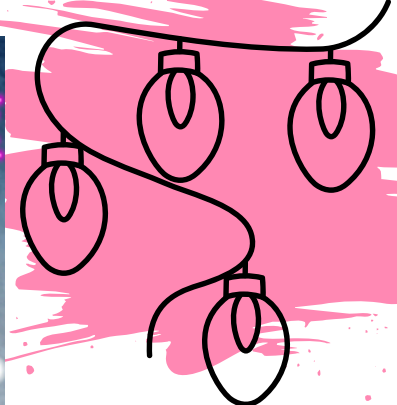
Please send all completed entry forms to:
**Sevenoaks Town Council Offices,
Bradbourne Vale Rd,
Sevenoaks,
(TN13 3QG)**

You can pick up an entry form at:
**Café on the Vine (TN13 3HU),
Bat & Ball Station Café (TN14 5AP),
Sevenoaks Town Council Offices (TN13 3QG),
or scan the QR code.**

 **Sevenoaks**
TOWN COUNCIL

For more information, please contact:
Youthwork@sevenoakstown.gov.uk
01732 459 953





CRICKET

Constance and Suri (year 4) played for the Holmesdale Girls Under-9s team in the Kent Girls Under-9s cricket finals in Marden on 25 August. The team played brilliantly, winning all their games and finishing in first place, making them the Kent county champions under-9s girls' cricket team. Congratulations girls!



MUSIC

At the beginning of the summer holidays Hester M took her Initial Grade singing exam and she got her results on Wednesday- she got a distinction scoring 99/100! Just BRILLIANT - well done Hester!



Children should please come to school in their PE kit on the days they have indoor and outdoor PE sessions.

Gumshields for hockey are available to purchase on www.schoolgateway.com

Term 1 – PE Timetable 2026/27

Indoor PE sessions

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9.10 – 10.10					
11 – 12	Yr 5 Willow Gymnastics	Yr 6 Chestnut Dance		Yr 3 Elm Yoga	
1.35 – 2.30	Yr 5 Beech Gymnastics	Yr 6 Hawthorn Dance		Yr 3 Oak Yoga	Yr 4 Cedar Dance
2.30 – 3.25	Yr 5 Rowan Gymnastics	Yr 6 Sycamore Dance	Yr 4 Maple Dance	Yr 3 Ash Yoga	Yr 4 Beech Dance

Outdoor PE sessions

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9.10 – 10.10					
11 – 12			Yr 3 Oak Handball (coach)		
1.30 – 2.30		Yr 4 Beech Hockey	Yr 3 Elm Handball (coach)	Yr 5 Beech Hockey	Yr 6 Hawthorn Football
2.30 – 3.30		Yr 4 Maple Hockey	Yr 3 Ash Handball (coach)	Yr 5 Rowan Hockey	Yr 6 Sycamore Tag Rugby
2.00 – 3.00 (Extra class)		Yr 4 Cedar Football		Yr 5 Willow Tag Rugby	Yr 6 Chestnut Hockey

For future dates, please **subscribe** to our [Amherst School Calender on the website](#).

CALENDAR DATES 2026 - 2027

10-Sep	Kent Test
15-Sep	Meet the Teacher Year 3 - 4.00pm (There will be a movie in the ICT suite for children)
15-Sep	Meet the Teacher Year 4 - 4.45pm (There will be a movie in the ICT suite for children)
16-Sep	Meet the Teacher Year 5 - 4.00pm (There will be a movie in the ICT suite for children)
16-Sep	Meet the Teacher Year 6 - 4.45pm (There will be a movie in the ICT suite for children)

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



**AJFC 2026/27 SEASON
YEARS 2-8
PLAYERS WANTED**



Registration for the 2026/27 season is live and we are looking for players across all age groups from years 2-8 to participate.

Junior League (Years 2-4)
Senior League (Years 5 & 6)
Youth League (Years 7 & 8)

Amherst Junior FC is a welcoming club for boys and girls of all abilities to come and enjoy playing team football each week, locally with friends.

So why not come along and give it a go?
Cost for the whole season is only £65 per child.

Please use the following link to register or find out more
<https://www.amherstfc.co.uk/registrations.html>

We are also looking for parent coaches to help run the sessions, no experience needed.
We look forward to seeing you all for the start of the new season this September.

CHIPSTEAD FC, SEVENOAKS

PLAYERS WANTED



— JOIN CHIPSTEAD FC GIRLS —



DEVELOP • HAVE FUN • MAKE FRIENDS • BE PART OF THE TEAM

**REGISTRATIONS OPEN
FOR THE NEW SEASON**

REGISTER NOW

chipsteadfc.co.uk

JOIN THE FUN!

SPANISH CLUB

FOR YEARS 3-6

¡VAMOS! (Let's go!)



You will learn Spanish through exciting topics, famous faces and fun activities!

YOU WILL MAKE NEW FRIENDS **YOU WILL HEADSTART FOR SECONDARY** **YOU WILL BUILD CONFIDENCE** **YOU WILL HAVE A GREAT TIME!**

YOU WILL EXPLORE	GAMES	MAKING FRIENDS
- You will explore fun Spanish-related activities. - You will discover famous sports stars, singers and other Spanish-speaking stars. - You will explore amazing places and cultures. - You will learn Spanish you can really use — to make friends, order food and enjoy holidays!	Through games we will learn all kinds of vocabulary, for example: - colours - feelings - food & drinks - clothes - school - home ...and much more!	Making friends is easier if you know Spanish. Hola MAGICAL STORIES You will enjoy wonderful worlds of Spanish songs and stories.

PLACES ARE LIMITED, SO PLEASE EMAIL
BELEN@COLORINES.CO.UK
TO SECURE YOUR CHILD'S PLACE

COLORINES Spanish language school

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