



Slade

Primary School

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From the Headteacher

Mrs Slade

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been so very lovely to see you back in school this week!

Tuesday evening was a truly joyous occasion as we welcomed families onto site at the end of the school day for our annual Open Evening event. It was so delightful to see children in all year groups proudly showing their adults around, talking about their learning and school with such passion and enthusiasm! A huge thank you to the many of you who visited with your child, taking the time to look at their books, work and classroom displays whilst also using the opportunity to visit other classrooms across the school too. It was wonderful to find Reception children proudly showing their parents around Deacon House and into the Year 6 classrooms! We hope that you all found it an enjoyable evening too. Thank you also to the many of you for sharing your positive feedback during the evening especially about some of the changes that we have made in recent years. Many thanks too to all of the staff involved in this event and for going the extra mile; thank you. A really lovely evening had by all!

Yesterday saw all of our children participate in our first 'proper' Sports Day since 2019, competing in both field and track events, working hard to earn points for their respective classes. Once again it was so very lovely to welcome you back into school to share in the fun! Well done to all children for taking part with such enthusiasm and for consistently demonstrating such excellent teamwork throughout the day. All children performed and behaved impeccably throughout with many of them achieving individual prizes, including awards for upholding our school values of Kindness, Inclusion, Honesty and Resilience; well-done Team Slade! Many thanks to all friends and family for your enthusiastic support, it made such a difference having you there, and to all of the staff for enabling the event to happen. A special shout out to Wendy Ball, our Fitness and Well Being Champion, who organised the whole event with the help of her Year 5 Sports Crew and staff Curriculum Team, ensuring that the day was a huge success from start to finish; thank you Wendy! We're already looking forward to next year's event!

If you haven't been able to make it back into school yet this week then worry not as tomorrow sees the long awaited return of the PTA Summer Fair to which you are all invited! The fair is taking place on the school field between 12 and 3 and can be accessed via the Hawden Road school entrance. A huge thank you to the committee and parent volunteers who have been working tirelessly over the last weeks in preparation for the big event. Thank you too to all friends and families of the school who have donated so very generously to support with the various stalls and prizes. Things to look out for include children's performances in the central arena throughout the day, including the choir and dance club, and the teachers' 'guess the baby' stall too! Miss Garrett and I are particularly excited to be judging the cake competition! I am looking forward to seeing you all there in the summer sunshine!

Finally for this week, currently we have a vacancy for a Midday Supervisor in school and are in the process of recruiting to this team. Do get in touch or catch me on the gate to find out more if this is something that you might be interested in. Details of the application process can be found on the Kent Teach website. <https://www.kent-teach.com/>

I look forward to seeing you all tomorrow at the Summer Fair; fingers crossed for fine weather!

Have a lovely weekend,

Karen Slade

For Your Diary



Next Week :

Day	Event
Saturday 25 June	PTA Summer Fête - Come and join the fun on the field between midday and 15:00 Entry via Hawden Road Gate See Page 7 for full details
Monday 27 June	Sphinx Class Haysden Hike Day
Tuesday 28 June	EYFS22: New Entrants Parent Information Meeting - 18:00
Wednesday 29 June	EYFS22: New Entrants Parent Information Meeting - 09:30 Year 5 Tonbridge School Funday
Thursday 30 June	Wyvern Class Haysden Hike Day
Friday 1 July	Dragon Class Haysden Hike Day

Forest School Next Week:

MONDAY	Sphinx Class (Year 4, Miss Lipman) Haysden Hike Day - please see email of 22 June for full details
TUESDAY	
WEDNESDAY	
THURSDAY	Wyvern Class (Year 5, Mr Osborne) Haysden Hike Day - please see email of 22 June for full details
FRIDAY	Dragon Class (Year 5, Miss Meers) Haysden Hike Day - please see email of 22 June for full details

Extra Curricular Clubs Next Week :

MONDAY	Y5/6 Netball, First Class Football, Active Sports Gymnastics, Learn Chess, mSPORTi Multi Sports
TUESDAY	YR/1 Book Club (Lunch), Y3/4 Board Games, YR-2 Train Club, Gary Marshall Cricket, Dancemode
WEDNESDAY	Y5/6 Yoga (Before School), Y4-6 Choir(Lunch), Y2/3 Singing, West Kent Athletics
THURSDAY	Y3 Signing Choir (Lunch), Y4-6 Dance, Art Trolley, First Class Basketball
FRIDAY	Y5/6 Cricket (Before School), SAMA Karate

Clubs in Green are Free Clubs with spaces available, Clubs in Red are Free Clubs currently full, Clubs in Black are Paid For , check with organiser for availability

Further Ahead :

Wednesday 6 July	Year 3 Summer Trip to Warner Bros Studios Please make sure this trip is consented for and paid for via your Arbor account
Thursday 7 July	Transition Day : Year 6 children to Secondary Schools, Year R-5 to new classes, EYFS22 Children Induction Visit (Further information to follow nearer the time)
Friday 8 July	Hillview Festival
Monday 11 July - Friday 15 July	Year 6 Residential Activity Week
Wednesday 13 July	Year 1 Summer Trip to Tunbridge Wells - Further details to be sent in due course
Week beginning Monday 18 July	Reports sent home to parents
Tuesday 19 July	Year 2 Summer Trip To E.M. Forster Theatre - Sign Up and Payment now available via your Arbor account
Thursday 21 July	Last Day of Term 6 and of 2021/22 School Year

Around School



Welcome to Slade, Cian

Everyone at Slade would like to welcome Cian to Slade. Cian joined us with his new friends in Miss Lipman's Year 4 Sphinx Class. We all hope you have had a good first week at Slade, Cian.

We extend the warm welcome to all of Cian's family, with who we hope to enjoy a long, happy and successful relationship.



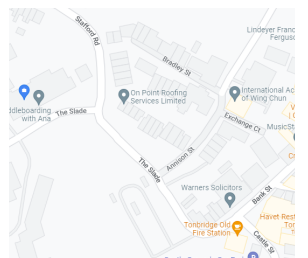
Local Road Safety

We are incredibly lucky that most of our families can walk, scoot or ride to school. Safety for those on foot when on the way to and from school will always be a priority for us.

With this in mind, please be extra careful when walking or riding on the streets surrounding the school, especially during busy times. One area of concern are the newer roads that more families are now able to use, in particular: Annison Street, Bradley Street and Exchange Court between school and the High Street.

These are all working roads and although quiet, still see a number of vehicles both parked up on either side and delivery drivers going about their work, sometimes unaware of the reduced speed limit of 20. Everyone should be aware that the normal road dangers are present here as well.

Please remember to take care to stay safe on the road, especially if children are travelling on their own.



Year 6 Wellbeing Workshop

Miss Lidlow and Mrs Burnside were happy earlier this week, to facilitate an online live video workshop for the Year 6 children as part of their secondary school transition events.

The workshop was run by Kooth, the online wellbeing community. Two councillors from Kooth spoke to the children about a range of subjects including the emotions involved in the move between primary and secondary school and offering strategies to help with stress and anxiety and to be able to build resilience when things get tough.

Kooth is an online and
confidential service
giving help and advice
about emotional health
kooth.com



Kooth is an online platform open to all young people. The video call included details of how to access the support and advice offered by Kooth. The website asks for a series of questions to login for the first time, so if you believe there is something they may be able to assist with, please help your child with the login process.

More > via kooth.com

Headlice

There have been instances of headlice in school in both key stages.

While lice are nothing more than a nuisance, it is important that pupils are checked on a weekly basis so that any head lice can be dealt with quickly and before they can be allowed to spread. As there have been a few cases, we would ask you to check your daughter or son's head as soon as possible. Please also ensure that all long hair is tied back for the school day.

All, In School!



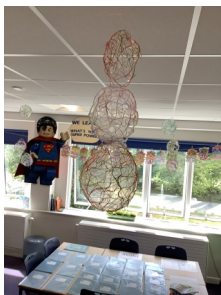
What a Week!

This week has seen an emotional return of two of our most popular summer events: the current families Open Evening on Tuesday evening and yesterday, our Sports Day.

The Open Evening saw the opportunity to wander around the school seeing all of the learning from each of the yeargroups, either by going in to the classrooms, or appreciating the corridor and hall displays.

Popping in to both the children's current classroom and next year's for a look round at the learning, artwork and for an informal chat with both class teachers would have been the highlight for many. We were also very pleased to be able to showcase some of the new sports and wellbeing activities that happen around school each day, out on the playground with the Sports Crew, supervised by Mrs Ball.

We are very grateful for the lovely feedback offered on the night, the first all school event in the school building since the beginning of the pandemic - it was great to see you all!



Then, we were delighted to welcome hundreds of you in to school yesterday for Sports Day. Firstly in the morning with events for the EYFS Classes, Key Stage 1 and Year 3 who took part in a carousel of activities, earning points as they went. The activities included Hurdles, Egg and Spoon, Bean Bag Throws, an Obstacle Course, Javelin, Space Hopper Bounces, Football Dribble and the Shuttle Run. They then all competed in a series of sprints over 50m or 100m with relays for Year 3 as well. All of the points earned in the activities and races counted towards personal challenges and the big prize : champion class of the yeargroup. It was a similar competition for the Year 4,5 and 6 classes in the afternoon event, only they had a hockey dribble replacing the football. All of the sprints were over 100m and each yeargroup also had boys and girls relays.

The event was considered a huge success and great thanks must go to everyone who was able to come and support throughout the day - there were hundreds of you and we are very grateful for you giving up your time to cheer on the children in all of their endeavours.

Thanks also to the fantastic team who made the day possible, especially organisers Mrs Ball and Mr Duffin, to Mrs Slade on the microphone , the PTA for the refreshments, Miss Laker and Mrs Young on First Aid duty and to Freya and Sophia in Hydra Class for designing and selling the event programmes.

Most of all though, to our wonderful Year 5 Sports Crew, who played an integral part in the successful running of the day, especially controlling each of the activity points, collating results for the morning session and demonstrating clearly to the younger children, what to do. Well done everybody!



Sports Day Gallery



Champion Classes



EYFS: Elmer



Year 1: Elf



Year 3: Pegasus



Year 2: Gnome



Year 4: Phoenix



Year 5: Dragon



Year 6: Griffin

Most of all - come along and have a great time!



Slade Stats



Over a school year, we are due to be open for 190 days which equates to 380 sessions with registration in the morning at 08:50 and after lunch in the afternoon.

Attendance is affected if a pupil is not present at school for any whole session including registration.

Attendance Target

97.0%

Attendance This Week

95.8%

Attendance This Year

94.4%

Registers are taken 10 minutes after the school gates close at 08:50.

It is important that the children are at school on time every day to prevent disruption and upset to their day and for the rest of their class.

Punctuality Pup is awarded to the class with the best punctuality each week.

Pupils Late This Week

34

Attendance Matters

Procedure if your child is unwell

If your child is not well and not able to come to school then we ask that parents telephone the school office on 01732 350354 **everyday** of their child's absence. With the current COVID pandemic, please follow government guidelines, but please still let us know if your child will be absent from school. If they are having to self-isolate but are well, then they will need to be taking part in home learning.

Please see below some guidance from the government regarding illness and your child's education.

<https://www.gov.uk/illness-child-education>

Procedure for appointments during school hours

If you have to take your child out of school for **any** reason, including a medical, dental, school visit appointment. Please could you inform the school office **prior** to the appointment along with any supporting evidence of the appointment.

This is so that we can authorise the absence where we can and your child is not marked as unauthorised in our register. Please see below guidance from the government regarding school attendance.

<https://www.gov.uk/school-attendance-absence>

Dear Parents and Carers
















Please take the time to read emails sent to you, we try to make sure that everything you are sent relates to your child, so nothing is irrelevant. If you would like further information on any email we send, please contact the class teacher or the school office for assistance.

We also encourage you to follow us on Twitter, we post reminders, useful information, live updates from school and other community events of interest.

Don’t miss out, or let your child miss out, please keep up to date with everything Slade via Arbor and Twitter.

For your convenience, in each newsletter we include this reminder of everything sent out in the current week:

Date of Communication	Subject	Sent To
Monday 20 June	Today at Slade	
Monday 20 June	Y5/6 Yoga Cancellation	Club Participants 
Monday 20 June	Pegasus Class Forest School Highlights	Pegasus Class 
Tuesday 21 June	Today at Slade	
Tuesday 21 June	Open Evening Today	All School 
Tuesday 21 June	Year 2 Summer Trip: EM Forster Theatre	Year 2 Classes 
Tuesday 21 June	No Road Crossing Tonight	
Tuesday 21 June	No Road Crossing	All School 
Tuesday 21 June	Headlice	All School 
Tuesday 21 June	Open Evening	
Wednesday 22 June	Today at Slade	
Wednesday 22 June	Sports Day Tomorrow	All School 
Wednesday 22 June	Year 2/3 Dodgeball: Our Team	
Wednesday 22 June	Dodgeball Competition Sports Crew	
Wednesday 22 June	Active WoW! Phoenix Class	
Wednesday 22 June	Kent School Games, Cricket Competition	
Wednesday 22 June	Sports Leaders Action	
Wednesday 22 June	Dodgeball Action	
Wednesday 22 June	KS2 Haysden Hike Days	Year 4, 5 and 6 Classes 
Thursday 23 June	Today at Slade	
Thursday 23 June	Sports Day	
Friday 24 June	Celebration Assembly	