



SLADE

PRIMARY SCHOOL

Friday 20 March 2026

Term 4, Issue 4

Dear Parents and Families,

What a busy and exciting week it has been in school, finishing today with the children wearing their own clothes in support of Comic Relief. Thank you to everyone who has donated so far; your generosity is greatly appreciated and we look forward to letting you know how much we have raised in due course!

Throughout the week, children across the school have been taking part in National Sign Language Week, with opportunities to further develop their signing skills. We are incredibly fortunate to have such talented staff who are able to support the children in learning this valuable and inclusive way of communicating with one another.

This week, it was the turn of Year 1 and Year 5 to take their learning beyond the classroom. On Wednesday, Pixie and Elf classes visited the Assembly Halls to watch 'Tales from Acorn Wood', as well as enjoying a train journey to Tunbridge Wells. For some children, this was their very first experience of travelling by train, making it even more special! Today, Year 5 travelled to The Observatory Science Centre and Museum at Herstmonceux to further enrich their learning by taking part in a hands-on science experience including a telescope tour! We look forward to hearing all about their experiences next week when back in school!

Continuing with Year 5, as part of their Online Safety learning for Safer Internet Day last term, they invited their parents and carers into school for a special assembly yesterday. The children shared important messages about staying safe online, highlighting both the benefits of being online and how to navigate it responsibly. They all did a fantastic job and was great to be able to invite our Year 5 parents and carers into school to see them present to you all!

Yesterday, myself and Mrs Stephens caught up with our Class Representatives for our termly meeting. It was a valuable opportunity to continue to hear how things are going across the classes and to provide updates from our previous meeting as well as some other key updates of projects currently happening in school. Thank you to all who attended and contributed as dedicating your time is very much appreciated so we can continue to ensure we all work together for the children.

I am delighted to let you know that Mr Salter, a valued member of our EYFS support staff team, has successfully secured his first teaching position! Having worked with us for nearly two years as a Teaching Assistant, he is now moving on to the next stage of his career. While we will be sad to see him go, we are incredibly proud of his achievement. Mr Salter will be joining Southborough Primary School and will be leaving us at the end of this term. We wish him every success for the future and we look forward to hearing how he is getting on in due course!

I look forward to welcoming you all into school next Tuesday and Thursday for your child's parent consultation meeting. These meetings are a valuable opportunity to discuss your child's progress and look through their work. If you have not already booked your meeting then please ensure you log into your account on Arbor over the next few days. If you need any support then please do not hesitate to contact the school office in the first instance.

Have a wonderful weekend, and we look forward to seeing you next week for the penultimate week of Term 4!

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Saturday 21 March

Tonbridge Angels v Bath City (15:00 kick-off) [Tickets & Admission 2025/26 – TAFC](#)

School Partner Match - See page 12

Monday 23 March

Tuesday 24 March

- Phoenix Class Swimming
- Parent - Teacher Consultation Meetings. See page 4

Planned cancellation of after school activity clubs - See page 4

Wednesday 25 March

- Elmer Class Forest School
- End of Spring Term Whole School Assembly (Tonbridge School)
- Gymnastics Competition (The Angel Centre, Tonbridge) Details known to participants

Thursday 26 March

- Phoenix Class Forest School
- Sphinx Class Swimming
- Parent - Teacher Consultation Meetings. See page 4

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- Sphinx Class Forest School

Looking Further Ahead?

Our yearly planner can be found on Page 19 of today's newsletter and online via [the school website](#).

PARENT - TEACHER CONSULTATIONS

Last call for bookings to be made for next week's Parent - Teacher Consultations. The booking window closes at 23:59 on Sunday night if you are one of the 28 parents or carers who have not yet made an appointment to see your child(ren)'s class teacher.

We look forward to seeing everyone in and around school for their booked appointment time either on Tuesday or Thursday next week. All appointments take place in the children's classroom apart from those with Mrs Mulhern in Elmer Class which will take place in the school library

A reminder that there will be no after school activity clubs on Tuesday and Thursday. The clubs with this planned cancellation next week are:

Tuesday 24 March

EYFS and KS1 Tonbridge Angels Football Training
 KS1 DanceMode Street Dance
 KS2 DanceMode Street Dance
 KS2 Cowdrey Cricket Training
 KS2 Little Sewing School

Thursday 26 March

Year 3 and 4 Tonbridge Angels Football Training
 KS2 Little Sewing School
 KS2 Drama and Musical Theatre
 KS1/KS2 French-tastique

Yeti's Wraparound After School Club is open every day and is not affected by planned cancellations.

ACTIVITY CLUBS AND WRAPAROUND IN TERM 5



The summer terms are just around the corner and Mrs Ball has put together another super selection of Activity Clubs for the children which start after the Easter holiday.

The timetable was sent by email this week and appears on the school website :

[Clubs and Activities Term 5](#)

Booking for independent clubs should be made via the contact details on the timetable. There are no planned cancellations of these clubs in Term 5.

Booking for a place on any of our free, school run activity clubs should be made via your Arbor account; just log on and choose Clubs before following the link to any eligible clubs for your child. The booking window to secure spaces opens at 19:00 on Sunday 22 March. To make sure that your child has a place and that you receive notifications of any unplanned cancellations or events relating to the activity club, you must sign up before your child attends a session.

The booking window to secure a place at Yeti's Breakfast and After School Club in Term 5 opens a week later, at 19:00 on Sunday 29 March.

Term 5 runs from Monday 20 April to Friday 22 May inclusive. School is closed on Monday 4 May for the annual national holiday.

THANKYOU SO MUCH!

This week has seen numerous educational; visits and sporting events which parents have given up their time to support. Everyone at Slade is incredibly grateful to everyone who has been able to help with looking after groups and transporting children to venues across the area. Without your help, these trips cannot take place, so thankyou - we hope you enjoyed yourselves out and about with Slade!

BSL WEEK CELEBRATED AT SLADE

This week, the Titans team have been busy around school promoting national Sign Language Week in association with Signature and the British Deaf Association.



Each yeargroup has undertaken age targeted challenges alongside the theme, 'United in Sign' which is described by Signature as a celebration of unity, pride and collective action around sign language and Deaf culture.

Each class has been practising the BSL alphabet, which is illustrated below for both left and right handed people with the overall aim of encouraging pupils to be able to use some basic sign language, not only around school with their friends and peers, but also with their families and the wider community.



On Wednesday, Susie Martin held her weekly BSL Choir session at lunchtime; the children love turning song into sign and it showed with a very polished performance delivered when we visited them this week.



The children across the school have taken part in different challenges and activities this week which have included learning and showing that they can:

- Sign their own name
- Sign their teachers name

And in the younger years, to be able to sign the name of their pets and to learn how to sign colours.

The children in Key Stage 1 and EYFS have watched a signed story and across the school we have learnt with George from Peppa Pig, who wears a hearing aid to help him to be able to hear.



Keep an eye out for updates as we prepare to celebrate National Deaf Awareness Week coming up between 4 -10 May.

Thankyou to Mrs Martin and Mrs Sturmey for organising the events from this week and all of the children in Titans for helping out across the school, teaching and promoting sign language across Slade.

BIKEABILITY IS BACK: BOOK NOW FOR 2027

This week, it has been a pleasure to welcome back to Slade, the team from the Kent County Council Bikeability scheme - designed to promote and teach safe, knowledgeable cycling around town for the children in Year 6. This is especially important as many of them already take the fun, healthy option of cycling to school at present and may also cycle to their new secondary schools, which may include a longer journey with different kinds of roads. They all enjoy cycling around town and the local green spaces in their leisure time, so the Bikeability course has enabled them to do all of this more confidently.

The instructors were especially impressed with the attitude and ability of the children given the increased traffic in the local area using Annison Street due to the road closures getting out of The Slade.

Well done to all 42 children taking part across both Bikeability courses this year.

Attention quickly turns to next year, with our Year 5 parents and carers invited to express an interest in their child taking part in the course. If you have a child currently in Hydra or Wyvern Class, please complete the quick form below before 23:59 on Tuesday 24 March so we can book our courses as soon as possible.

[Year 6 2026/27 Bikeability Interest Survey – Fill out form](#)

Level 1 of the programme is held on the school playground and is designed to teach good cycle control and basic maintenance of the bike. The children learn the importance of their cycle helmets and being able to signal and look around them confidently.



Level 2 takes place on the local roads, putting into practice the skills learnt in the initial stage. The instructors also teach the rules of the road, so that the children can confidently know the position they should take and the meaning of the road markings and signs.



Find out more about Bikeability here:

[Cycle Training for Everyone - Deliver Safer Training | Bikeability](#)



KEEPING SAFE ONLINE



Designated Safeguarding Lead, Mrs Stephens.

Following the fantastic e-safety assembly from our Year 5 classes yesterday, our safeguarding hot topic this week is all about online safety.

Online Safety: Helping Children Stay Safe Online

Many of our children enjoy spending time online, whether they are playing games, watching videos, chatting with friends or using apps. The online world offers lots of opportunities for learning and fun, but it is important that children are supported to use it safely.

As a school, we regularly teach children about safe and responsible use of technology. Parents and carers play a key role too, and small steps at home can make a big difference.

A few simple reminders for families:

- Talk regularly with your child about what they do online, who they speak to and which games or apps they use.
- Remind them never to share personal information such as their full name, address, school, passwords or photos with people they do not know.
- Check age ratings on games, apps and social media platforms to make sure they are suitable.
- Use privacy settings and parental controls where available.
- Encourage children to tell a trusted adult straight away if they see something upsetting, confusing or worrying online.
- Keep devices in shared family spaces where possible, especially for younger children.

It can also be helpful to agree simple family rules around screen time, gaming and which websites or apps can be used.

A useful message for children is: if something online makes you feel worried, upset or unsafe, stop, close it and tell an adult.

Useful websites for parents and carers

For further information and support, these websites offer practical advice, guides and resources for families:

- **NSPCC Online Safety Hub** – advice on apps, games, parental controls and how to talk to children about staying safe online. [Keeping children safe online | NSPCC](#)
- **Internet Matters** – step-by-step guides, age-specific advice and support for setting parental controls. [Keep Children Safe Online: Information, advice, support - Internet Matters](#)
- **Childnet Parents and Carers** – helpful guidance, conversation starters and resources for families. [Parents & carers | Childnet](#)
- UK Safer Internet Centre – tips, advice and resources to support children to use the internet safely and positively. [Parents and Carers - UK Safer Internet Centre](#)

Thank you for your support in helping children develop safe habits online.

EASTER EGGSTRAVANZA

at Slade

CHOOSE THE RULES

- Any footwear eg: trainers
- Any hairstyle or hair accessories
- Go crazy with socks or tights
- Nail varnish allowed
- Any jewellery or accessories

Cash on the day or via sumup

£1 per
rule

EASTER HUNT & BUNNY DRIVE

During the school day - Easter treat for all the children

EASTER BAKE SALE

On the playground at pickup
cash payment if possible

THURSDAY 2ND APRIL 2026

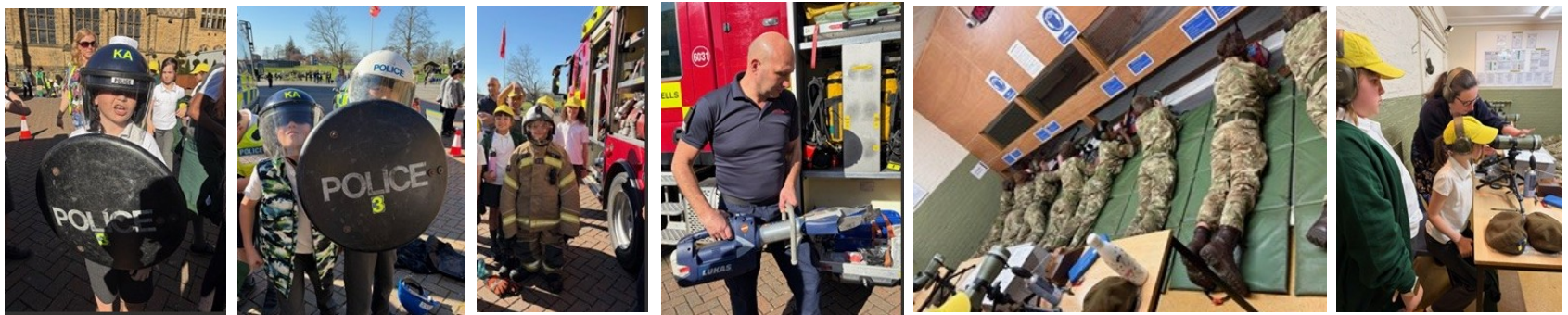
*Join in all the fun on
the last day of term*

FOCUS ON YEAR 5

It has been a busy week for everyone in Year 5, with three very special events that have each enhanced their learning in different ways.

Tonbridge School Armed Forces Day

We were delighted to be invited to visit the annual Inspection Day held by Tonbridge School Combined Cadet Force. The day involved displays and activities from the emergency services such as the South East Coast Ambulance Service, Kent Fire and Rescue and Kent Police. The children also enjoyed displays by the Cadets representing the RAF, Royal Navy and the Army. The afternoon was very enjoyable as Hydra and Wyvern Classes saw and heard about the valuable work undertaken by each of these services whilst also being able to get try on the kit they use and inside the vehicles they drive!



E-Safety Assembly for Parents

On Thursday, all of Year 5 welcomed their adults into school for a special assembly about internet and online safety. The budding entrepreneurs and influencers wrote and delivered all of the presentations by themselves. They wowed their grown-ups (and Mrs Stephens) with their depth of knowledge about how to spot and avoid hackers and scammers, how to stay safe online using the SMART acronym (Safe, Meeting, Accepting, Reliable, Tell) how to make informed and sensible choices about the games you download and play, and how to conduct yourself appropriately in an online community. The children mixed drama and role play with art and information to share their ideas magnificently. Isaac A said: "I loved being able to present something that I had spent time researching." Anna K said: "I loved that we all worked together on this, like one big team." All the Year 5 teaching team are so proud of them.

Educational Visit to Herstmonceux Science Centre

Finally, today Year 5 rounded off their day with their educational visit to The Observatory at Herstmonceux. The visit to the East Sussex science park helps to build on their learning in science this year, in particular about the planets.

They were able to explore the venue, seeing and using the exhibits and displays as well as enjoying time in the Discovery Park. They were treated to a science show put on by the team at Herstmonceux and a Telescope Tour where they found out about the parts to a telescope, how they work and what you can see from the Observatory.



Find out more about visiting The Observatory and Science Park at Herstmonceux:

[Exploring the observatory science centre & museum](#)

YEAR 1 AT THE THEATRE

Mr Clark reports from the Year 1 Educational Visit to the Assembly Hall Theatre in Tunbridge Wells on Wednesday.



Year One had a terrific day at the theatre.

We started by catching the train to Tunbridge Wells, with plenty of successful gap minding.

Once we arrived, we made our way up the excessively long hill to the Assembly Hall. We were particularly happy to see our seats after that arduous trek!

And then... the show began!

Tales from Acorn Wood, based on works by Julia Donaldson, featured four stories (Postman Bear, Hide-and-seek Pig, Rabbit's Nap and Fox's Socks). The performers puppeteered the characters tales, alongside some catchy little earworms. The company put on a great show, which, based on their fantastic attentiveness, we are sure the children enjoyed.



Following this, our second arduous trek of the day began, descending the original monumental hill before ascending a new one. But, once we made it to the top of Calverley Park, the children (and adults) were rewarded with a well-deserved lunch in the bright sunshine.



Once we'd finished our lunch, we had a quick play at the park before making it back to the station in the nick of time, just as our return train arrived.

We finally returned to school, and collapsed in a heap before heading home!

We cannot thank our parent volunteers enough - we couldn't run a trip like this without them, and are truly grateful.



RED NOSE DAY 2026

Today is the annual Red Nose Day fundraiser from the BBC which we have marked here at Slade with a Non Uniform Day as well as a section of today's Celebration Assembly talking about the charity and how the money raised gets used locally, nationally and across the globe.

You can donate to the Slade page on the Red Nose Day Website here:

[Slade Primary School is fundraising for Comic Relief](#)

and find out more about this year's fundraising: [Red Nose Day | Comic Relief](#).

Comic Relief: Funny for Money is live on BBC iPlayer and BBC One on Friday 20 March from 19:00 tonight - and for the very first time, streaming live on the official BBC YouTube channel



AN AUDIENCE WITH MR HUMPHREY

Slade Primary School eagerly awaits the newest building on our site, with the long awaited replacement for the aging portakabin on the school field. The building, which will be situated between Hippogriff Class and the Adventure Playground is due to be fitted over the Easter holiday and be operational shortly after.

The work has started to prepare the ground for the new installation. This week, Mr Humphrey has been demolishing the sheds currently in place.

The children were mesmerised after deciding themselves to start watching him work at lunchtime on Thursday; joining our new lunchtime zones was the Demolition Zone! They clapped and cheered as each section came down, with one child telling Mr Humphrey that, 'this is the best movie I've ever seen!'

We will keep you updated within the newsletter and in separate communications with progress of the building work.



SCHOOL PARTNER DAY AT THE ANGELS

Tomorrow sees the second School Partner Day at the home of our local National League South football team, Tonbridge Angels.

Angels take on Bath City in the league having just conquered The Romans west country rivals Weston-super-Mare with a late 1:0 victory on Tuesday night on the Somerset coast. That victory took Tonbridge Angels to 50 points and almost certain safety in 15th place in the extremely competitive table. No such luxury for Bath though as they linger in the relegation places with 33 points. They will be keen to maintain their National League status for next season starting with points on Saturday, so it has all the makings of a fantastic game in the Spring sunshine at Longmead.

Thankyou to everyone who has picked up a ticket for the match through the Angels schools' giveaway this week - we hope you enjoy the afternoon. Kick off is at 15:00 with plenty to do beforehand; gates open at 13:00.

Angels' Fans will be hoping for a repeat of the result in the last School Partner Day when they beat Totton 4:1 in January!

If you are at the game, send us your pictures via office@slade.kent.sch.uk and we will feature them in next week's newsletter.



WORLD DOWN'S SYNDROME DAY 2026

World Down's Syndrome Day is celebrated on 21 March and Pegasus Class have been celebrating by rewarding children who have shown a great attitude and being fantastic learners this week with a special badge. The 7th edition of the World Down's Syndrome Day Badge, designed by Mara, a young person who has Down's syndrome, added text design by Mark Jones (Dad to Dan, 23) and badges made by The Badge Brigade. The badges worn proudly by the pupils in Miss Meers and Miss Elliott's Year 3 Class have been kindly donated by Louise Pearson, Teaching Assistant in their class.



Mrs Pearson and Marnie from Pegasus Class have been telling the class all about living with Down's Syndrome and why the 21st March is a very special date in the diary for the Down's Syndrome community. Find out more: [World Down Syndrome Day - Downs Syndrome Association](https://www.downs-syndrome.org.uk/)

INFORMATION FOR PARENTS AND CARERS

From the Department for Education and the UK Health Security Agency



Department
for Education



UK Health
Security
Agency

We are writing to update you on the current distressing [outbreak of invasive meningococcal disease in Kent](#), and to reassure you about the low level of risk in your child or children's education setting.

About invasive meningococcal disease

Meningococcal disease (meningitis and septicaemia) is an uncommon but serious disease caused by meningococcal bacteria. The onset of illness is often sudden and early diagnosis and treatment with antibiotics are vital. While meningococcal disease can affect all ages, recent outbreaks have shown that **older children, teenagers and young adults** are more likely to be affected.

How invasive meningococcal disease spreads

Meningococcal infection doesn't spread very easily. The bacteria can only be passed to others through prolonged, close contact such as living in the same household.

People may be offered preventive antibiotics if they have had significant, close contact with someone with meningococcal disease in the last 7 days.

What UK Health Security Agency is doing

UK Health Security Agency (UKHSA) is leading a multi-agency management team to respond to this outbreak. Specialists at UKHSA are interviewing affected individuals and their families to help identify all close contacts and arrange antibiotics to limit spread. Any close contacts identified in early years or other educational settings will be followed up by the local UKHSA health protection team.

If you have not been contacted directly by UKHSA, the risk to you and your children is very low.

What you need to do

It is always important for parents and carers to make sure that children stay up to date with all their routine vaccinations, as these offer important protection against infectious disease outbreaks.

Parents and carers should also be aware and alert to the signs and symptoms of invasive meningococcal disease.

Helpline 0808 80 10 388

or helpline@meningitisnow.org

Signs and symptoms

Meningococcal disease can progress rapidly, so it's essential that parents and carers are alert to the signs and symptoms of meningococcal meningitis and septicaemia. You should seek urgent medical help if you or your child develop any symptoms of meningococcal disease.

- a rash that doesn't fade when pressed with a glass
- sudden onset of high fever
- severe and worsening headache
- stiff neck
- vomiting and diarrhoea
- joint and muscle pain
- dislike of bright lights
- very cold hands and feet
- seizures
- confusion/delirium
- extreme sleepiness/difficulty waking

Vaccination

There are several types of meningococcal bacteria that can cause meningitis. The current outbreak is caused by Meningococcal B (MenB). The MenB vaccine has been offered in the UK as part of the NHS vaccination schedule to young babies since 2015 (all children in year 5 and below) and has been shown to be effective. This means many children in primary school have already been vaccinated against MenB.

It is important to make sure that children stay up to date with all their routine vaccinations, as these offer vital protection.

The Meningitis Research Foundation

www.meningitis.org

Helpline UK

080 8800 3344

Meningitis Now

www.meningitisnow.org

Helpline

0808 80 10 388

or helpline@meningitisnow.org



KENT AND MEDWAY TRAMPOLINING

We are very proud of our team of trampoliners who took part in the Kent and Medway Trampolining championships on Monday, held at the Jumpers Rebound Centre in Gillingham.

Both our Under 11 boys and girls teams became champions by winning the competition in which the children completed routines which included seat landings, straddles, half and full twists, pike jumps, tuck jumps and a professional finish.

Individual success followed for Owen who finished third in his age category and Arya who finished fourth in hers. Well done to everyone who took part.



WEST KENT YEAR 5 AND 6 HOCKEY

The week of success for Slade Sport continued on Wednesday evening in Tunbridge Wells as our Year 5 and 6 hockey team ran out winners of the first hockey tournament of the year. Great goals from Phoebe and Ellis, strong midfield play from Harry with organisational skills from the back from Will and all round performance from Ruby helped the team to success beating Southborough, Bishops Down, Claremont and Speldhurst schools in the group stages before defeating St Matthew's in the final to win the cup!

Congratulations to all of the team for a brilliant set of performances!



SACKVILLE SCHOOLS CROSS COUNTRY

It promises to be a super summer of sport as Slade took part and took most of the medals in the first cross country event of the year also on Wednesday.

There were 5 local schools competing and we are very proud of all of our competitors who took part in the traditional cross country event which included a run through woodland, across a small stream and a hill which completed the course over 2km for the children in Year 5 with the children in Year 6 adding a further 600m to their run. Picking up bronze medals for Slade were Flynn, Hattie and Imogen. There were silver for Liam, Millie and Will with gold for winners of their races for Ellis, Beau, Dexter and Arya.

Well done to everyone who took part!





A JOURNEY THROUGH TIME

Dance & Cheerleading Workshops

Join us this Easter holiday for workshops that will explore different genre's and styles of dance and cheerleading through time!

13th & 14th April
9am - 4pm

The Skinners' Kent Primary School, T'Wells

£40 per day or £70 for both days
Suitable for boys and girls, any ability

CHEERLEADING | MUSICAL THEATRE | STREET DANCE
JAZZ | CONTEMPORARY | HIP-HOP | ARTS & CRAFTS



Book now by emailing lauren@trinitydance.co.uk

www.trinitydance.co.uk [f](#) [i](#) [x](#) @_TrinityDance_




DANCE CLUB

Join dance club and be apart of an exciting opportunity to perform at a local non-competitive school event.

Welcoming all students in KS2 who love to dance, come along each week and learn a routine that will be showcased on Thursday 4th June 2026 at The Assembly Hall Theatre, Tunbridge Wells.

Suitable for all abilities, boys and girls welcome!

Wednesday's before-school 8 - 8.40am

Term 5	Term 6
22 nd , 29 th April and 6 th , 13 th , 20 th May	3 rd June



Sessions are £6 each, followed by a small fee for costumes. Pupil Premium students can be supported with this.

Get in touch with Lauren from Trinity Dance to find out more
lauren@trinitydance.co.uk www.trinitydance.co.uk



GOOD FRIDAY

FAMILY SERVICE

(pre school and primary school aged children particularly welcome)



3RD APRIL, 10AM
ST SAVIOUR
TONBRIDGE TN10 3BJ



EASTER EGG HUNT

ST PHILIP'S CHURCH, SALISBURY ROAD, TONBRIDGE, TN10 4PA

SATURDAY 4 APRIL

REFRESHMENTS AND HOSPITALITY FOR ALL BETWEEN 10AM-12PM

TO BOOK A PLACE ON THE EASTER EGG HUNT PLEASE BOOK VIA QR CODE (OR WEBSITE) (SO WE HAVE ENOUGH EGGS) AND COME ALONG TO START ANYTIME BETWEEN 10-11.30AM.




WINNERS OF THE WEEK

TED AND PUP

Attendance: Elmer Class in EYFS

Punctuality: Phoenix Class in Year 4

SUPERSTARS OF THE WEEK



EYFS: Aaishah and Rosalie

Year 1: Oscar and Dulcie



Year 2: Judah and Arthur

Year 3: Marnie and Joni



Year 4: Otis and Alice

Year 5: -

Year 6: Lily and Sid

HOUSE POINTS THIS WEEK

1. Water - 000 Points
2. Earth - 000 Points
3. Fire - 000 Points
4. Air - 000 Points

TIDY CLASSROOMS

As judged by our House Captains

Key Stage 1: Elmer Class

Key Stage 2: Phoenix, Hippogriff

WALK ON WEDNESDAY

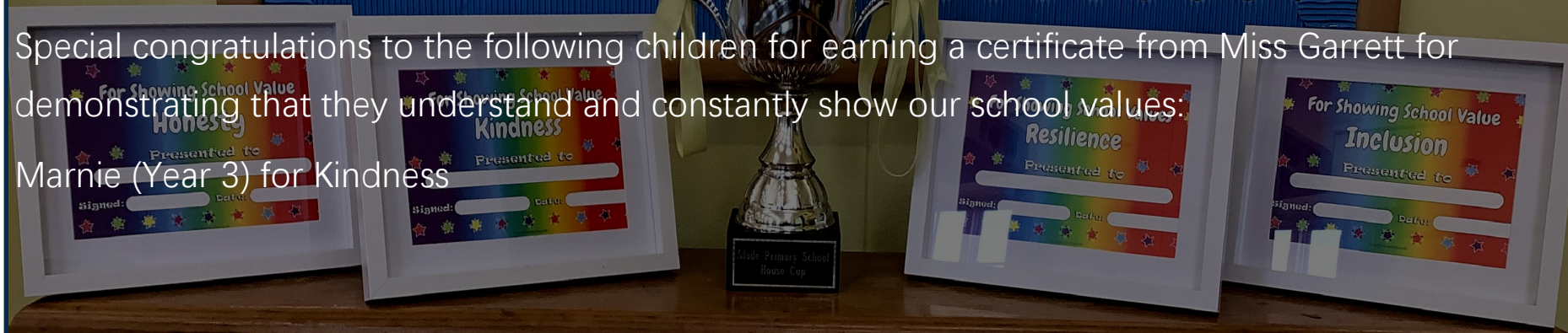
The number of pupils walking, riding or scooting to or part of the way to school through Park and Stride.

Key Stage 1 - Gnome Class (26 out of 30)

Key Stage 2 - Griffin Class (27 out of 30)

CELEBRATING OUR SCHOOL VALUES

Special congratulations to the following children for earning a certificate from Miss Garrett for demonstrating that they understand and constantly show our school values:
Marnie (Year 3) for Kindness



TIMES TABLES ROCKSTARS CHAMPIONS

Individual Champions This Week

Year 2: Alisha (Sprite)

Year 5: Dylan (Wyvern)

Year 3: Jacob (Pegasus)

Year 6: Teddy (Griffin)

Year 4: Oliwier (Phoenix)



Term 4 Class Competition (Current Table)

The class competition will return in the summer terms

DAILY MILE TERMLY COMPETITION



Class Champions This Week

Key Stage 1: Gnome (225 Laps)

Key Stage 2: Wyvern (1632 Laps)

Spring Competition (Weeks Won)

Key Stage 1: Sprite (3), Elf (3)

Key Stage 2: Griffin (3), Hydra (2), 2 Others (2)

Attendance

Over a school year, we are due to be open for 190 days which equates to 380 sessions.

Registration takes place at 08:50 in the morning and after lunch in the afternoon.

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

Please try not to book routine medical appointments or holidays (even travel) in school time. You should notify us of any planned absence immediately via attendance@slade.kent.sch.uk

The class with the best attendance each week will win Attendance Ted.

Congratulations to Mrs Mulhern and to our youngest learners in Elmer Class for winning Attendance Ted with 99.3% attendance this week.



Our Attendance Target = 97.0%

Our Attendance This Year = 95.6%

Our Attendance This Week = 96.6%

Attendance Ted This Week

Position	Class	Year Group	Attendance this Week
1	Elmer	EYFS, Mrs Mulhern	99.3%
2	Phoenix	Year 4, Miss Taylor and Miss Maple	99.0%
2	Pegasus	Year 3, Miss Meers and Miss Elliott	98.6%
4	Sphinx	Year 4, Mrs Burnside	98.3%
5	Wyvern	Year 5, Miss Hall and Mrs Potter	97.3%
6	Sprite	Year 2, Mrs Shrimpton	97.3%
6	Elf	Year 1, Mrs Hitchcock	97.0%
8	Hippogriff	Year 3, Mr Louth	97.0%
8	Griffin	Year 6, Mrs Fordyce	96.3%
10	Gruffalo	EYFS, Mrs Pearson	96.0%
10	Gnome	Year 2, Mrs Manktelow	96.0%
12	Pixie	Year 1, Mr Clark	94.7%
13	Dragon	Year 6, Mrs Worley	93.3%
14	Hydra	Year 5, Mr Duffin	92.7%

Late Children This Week = 21



Punctuality

Registers are taken at 08:50. If children arrive after this time, they are registered late.

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.

Punctuality Pup This Week

Well done to all of the classes with no late pupils this week:

Phoenix, Sphinx, Wyvern, Elf, Griffin, Dragon

Much improved punctuality stats this week and well done to the 6 classes with no late marks. Punctuality Pup goes 'home' to Phoenix Class as they had the highest attendance of the six.

September	October	November
		

December	January	February
		

March	April	May
<p>Tuesday 24 - Parent - Teacher Consultations (16:00 - 19:00)</p> <p>Thursday 26 - Parent - Teacher Consultations (16:00 - 19:00)</p> <p>Tuesday 31 - Spring Concert (18:30)</p>	<p>Thursday 2 - Last Day of Term 4</p> <p>Friday 3 - Friday 17 - Easter and Early Summer Holiday</p> <p>Monday 20 - First Day of Term 5</p> <p>Saturday 25 - TCS Mini London Marathon</p>	<p>Monday 4 - National Holiday</p> <p>Tuesday 5 - Sphinx Hindu Temple Visit</p> <p>Wednesday 6 - Phoenix Hindu Temple Visit</p> <p>Thursday 7 - Year 3 Leavesden Visit</p> <p>Thursday 7 - Year 6 Activity Week Video Meeting Release</p> <p>Monday 11 - Thursday 14 - KS2 SATs Week</p> <p>Friday 22 - Last Day of Term 5</p>

June	July
<p>Monday 1 - First Day of Term 6</p> <p>Monday 1 - Friday 5 - Multiplication Screening for Year 4 pupils</p> <p>Monday 8 - Friday 12 - Phonics Screening for Year 1 pupils</p> <p>Wednesday 10 - Year 4 Hands on History Workshop</p> <p>Friday 12 - Year 2 Kent Life Visit</p> <p>Thursday 18 - Sports Day</p> <p>Thursday 25 - Reserve Sports Day</p> <p>Tuesday 30 - EYFS26 New Parents Information Meeting</p>	<p>Wednesday 1 - EYFS26 New Parents Information Meeting</p> <p>Thursday 2 - Transition Day</p> <p>Tuesday 7 - Open Evening (17:00 - 19:00)</p> <p>Saturday 11 - PTA Music Festival (15:00 - 18:30)</p> <p>Monday 13 - School Reports Sent to Parents</p> <p>Monday 13 - Year 6 Production (18:30)</p> <p>Wednesday 15 - Year 6 Production (18:30)</p> <p>Friday 17 July - Last Day of Term 6</p>

More information about these events will appear nearer the time.

Events and dates are subject to change

[Full Online Calendar](#)

[2025/26 Term Dates](#)

In class

My child's class learning, class activities, lessons, homework or pastoral support; concerns about bullying and behaviour

classname@slade.kent.sch.uk

Absence

Sickness Reporting, Absence Requests and all Medical Appointments

attendance@slade.kent.sch.uk

School Office

General Enquiries and School Events

office@slade.kent.sch.uk

Slade PTA

Slade PTA

pta@slade.kent.sch.uk

Wraparound

Yeti's Wraparound: Childcare Voucher questions and all General Enquiries

yetis@slade.kent.sch.uk

Sport and Activity

Extra Curricular Activity Clubs (booking and queries) Sports Events and Representative Sports Tournaments

sportsandactivities@slade.kent.sch.uk

Admissions

In Year and September EYFS Admissions

admissions@slade.kent.sch.uk

Finance

Childcare Vouchers, Payments for Yeti's and School Meals and School Trips and Special Lessons

finance@slade.kent.sch.uk

School Lunches

Comments and questions about school meal provision from Emma's Kitchen

emma@emmaskitchen.co.uk

Family Liaison

If you would like the services of our Family Liaison Officer, Libby, or just wish to talk over a family issue in confidence

flo@slade.kent.sch.uk

Complaints

For all complaints, please refer to the [Complaints Policy](#) then contact us:

slaws@slade.kent.sch.uk

GDPR

Reporting of GDPR Breaches, details of our privacy policy and for Subject Access Requests

slaws@slade.kent.sch.uk

Payments

School Dinners

School Dinners provided by Emma's Kitchen are free to the following groups:
 EYFS Classes, Year 1 Classes, Year 2 Classes, EYFS, KS1 and KS2 pupils eligible for benefits related Free School Meals

School Dinners provided to KS2 (Year 3-6) children are charged at £2.60 per meal.

Credit should be loaded onto the Meals section of your Arbor account in advance of a meal being taken.

Yeti's Wraparound Provision (Breakfast and After School Clubs)

Breakfast Club is charged at £5.25 per session After School Club is charged at £5.25 per session:
 After School Club Session 1 (15:30 - 16:30), Session 2 (16:30 - 17:30)

Payment and Booking should be made via your online Arbor account.

For full information please see our website: [Breakfast and After School Clubs](#)

School Visits, Other Special Events and Swimming Lessons

These payments are all made via your Arbor account. You will receive details of the amount owed and the due date as well as information on the event via email in advance.