



3<sup>rd</sup> October 2025

## HARCOURT PRIMARY SCHOOL SCHOOL NEWSLETTER 2 2025-26

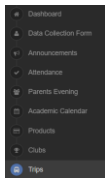
Dear Families,

We are now five weeks into the new school years and unfortunately the weather outside has already turned a little bit dark and gloomy, not that it seems to be spoiling the children's' fun on the Key Stage One playground. The past few weeks seem to have flown past, I can't believe that it is only two weeks until half term.

The next two weeks are very busy so I will include as much detail about these as I can for you in my newsletter.

### **Year Two Trip to Dover Castle – Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> October**

On Tuesday we will be taking our Year Two class to Dover Castle. Most parents have now completed the online payment on Bromcom and given permission for the trip. If you have not yet done this please do so as soon as you can by going to the MCAS app, click on trip on the left hand side



Next click on – Year 2 Dover Castle as shown below.

Trip Name	Teacher	Next Session	Weekday	Start Time	Duration	Cost	Spaces Available	
Yr 2 Dover Castle, 07/10/25	Miss L Smart	07/10/2025	Tue	09:00	390	£2.60	No Limit	Q

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and make your payment.

### **School Council Election Launch – Monday 6<sup>th</sup> October – Year One to Six**

In our assembly on Monday, we will be launching our School Council election process. If your child would like to be this year's school councillor, they will need to write a short speech to share with their classmates. The speeches need to be prepared for Monday 13<sup>th</sup> October. The election itself will be held on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October.

### **Phonics Workshops – Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> October**

On Tuesday, Mrs Green will be holding Phonics Workshops for the parents of children in Key Stage One. In these sessions she will speak about our approach to early reading and how you can support your child at home with their reading. Please see MCAS app for further information about this.

### **SENd Coffee Afternoon – Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> October at 2 PM**

On Wednesday afternoon, Mrs O'Connor will be hosting our first SENd Coffee afternoons of the school year. Billie from Homestart will be attending to offer advice and support for parents that demonstrate issues with behaviour or anxiety in the home.

### **Wear Yellow for Mind – Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> October**

On Thursday, we will be supporting the wonderful cause that is 'Wearing Yellow for Young Minds'. We encourage all children to wear an item that is yellow in addition to their school uniform or PE/Outdoor Learning Clothes. This could be a yellow hair band, yellow socks or a yellow t-shirt.

### **Flu Immunizations – Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> October**

If you wish to, you can sign up for your child's immunization through the link previously sent to you. The deadline for signing up is lunch time on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> October.

### **Harvest Festival – Friday 10<sup>th</sup> October**

At 2.30pm, we will be holding our annual Harvest Festival. All parents are welcome to attend. We are asking for donations for the local food bank for anyone that wishes to make one. We look forward to seeing you.

### **Parent Consultations**

On Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> October we will holding face to face parent consultations in the school hall. I hope that these will go live on the MCAS app this evening. If you are still having difficulties accessing this please come into school to speak to one of us or email [office@harcourt.kent.sch.uk](mailto:office@harcourt.kent.sch.uk).

### **Half Term**

A gentle reminder that the children's last day of Term One is Friday 17<sup>th</sup> October. The children then return to school on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> October.

### **Provisional Dates for the Diary**

Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> October 9am and 2.30pm	Year R Phonics workshop to parents
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> October	SEND coffee afternoon
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> October	Wear something yellow for Young Minds
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> October	Flu jabs
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> October	Harvest Festival
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> October	School Photos
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> October 3.30-6pm	Parent Consultations
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> October 3.30-6.30pm	Parent Consultations
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> October	Re-start a heart (bring a teddy)
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> October	Half term
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> October	INSET Day
Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> October	First Day of Term Two for Pupils

**Thank you for your continued support.**

Anthony

Headteacher



## HARCOURT PRIMARY SCHOOL

### TERM DATES 2025-2026

Term 1	
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> September 2025	Staff Development Day 1
Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September 2025	Staff Development Day 2
Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September 2025	First Day of School for Year 1 to Year 6
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> September 2025	First Day of School for New Reception – Staggered Start – Please see Reception Handbook.
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> September 2025	Second Day of School for New Reception – Staggered Start – Please see Reception Handbook.
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> October 2025	Last Day of Term 1

Term 2	
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> October 2025	Staff Development Day 3
Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> October 2025	Start of Term 2
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> December 2025	Last Day of Term 2

Term 3	
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> January 2026	Staff Development Day 4
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> January 2026	First Day of Term 3
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> February 2026	Last Day of Term 3
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> February 2026	Staff Development Day 4

Term 4	
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> February 2026	First Day of Term 4
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> April 2026	Last Day of Term 4

Term 5	
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> April 2026	First Day of Term 5
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> May 2026	School Closed – Bank Holiday
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May 2026	Last Day of Term 5

Term 6	
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> June 2026	First Day of Term 6
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> June 2026	Staff Development Day 5
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> July 2026	Last Day of Term 6

**One additional INSET day to be determined.**

**Please note that schools are not able to authorise any term time absence unless parents and carers are able to evidence that this is for an exception reason. Any term time leave is likely to result in the Local Authority issuing a Penalty Notice.**