



EVERY CHILD CAN ACHIEVE

Luddenham News

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Harvest Celebrations

It was a joy earlier this week to welcome so many Year 1 and 2 parents to their child's harvest performance. With big smiles, loud voices and so much confidence in front of such a large audience, we couldn't be prouder. Their song was a delight and I am sure it will be stuck in everyone's head for many more days to come! Well done to the Year 1 and 2 team and to all the children for being so fabulous.

Thank you very much for the food donations so far. We will be accepting these until Tuesday 20th October. They will be donated to Faversham Foodbank.



Recycling at Luddenham

We have recycled paper at Luddenham for years, but expanded this to include food waste last year and bread bags. Unfortunately, TerraCycle who recycles the Bread bags through the charity based at the Shrine of St Jude no longer accept bread bags so we are collecting 'Pladis Biscuits' instead. We plan to start doing this after half term but if the children bring in their lunch box a cake bar or biscuit bar then we will be collecting them. We will have a special bin for this collection in the hall.

THE PLADIS BISCUITS AND SNACKS RECYCLING PROGRAMME

ACCEPTED WASTE



See the picture above for what you can send in through this recycling programme. Then, every time you enjoy any biscuit, cracker or cake, save the packaging and send it on to TerraCycle®.

Please note that we accept only flexible plastic packaging and not cardboard packaging, as these can be recycled through local council recycling.



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Superstar Corner



Let us celebrate together your achievements outside of school this past week. Don't forget to send in your photos.



Well done for supporting the England team at the football match on Tuesday 6th October.

Cheering all the way though the match.



Congratulations on winning Star Baker in the 1st Teynham Cubs' Annual Bake-off! You're planning and attention to detail paid off - as well as all the cream! Well done to all the other Cubs too. All the entries were delicious.



Well done on running your first ever Parkrun and first Parkrun in a while! You showed so much determination getting around the course!



Congratulations on achieving your stage 3 swimming badge!

Well done.

Admission to

Primary school in Kent 2027

KCC residents apply online at
kent.gov.uk/primaryadmissions

Opens Friday 6 November 2026 and closes at
midnight on Friday 15 January 2027

For children born between
1 September 2022
and 31 August 2023,
Transferring to Primary school
in September 2027

What to do

Choose a school

It's important to find out more about the schools you are interested in before you decide to name them on the application form.

Read the guide to Primary admissions at www.kent.gov.uk/primaryadmissions.

You can name up to three Primary schools, inside or outside of Kent, but you must name them all on the same application.

Apply for a school place

A simple, fast, convenient process which opens Friday 6 November 2026 and closes at midnight on Friday 15 January 2027. Other LA deadlines may differ.

You will first need to set up an online account. The applicant is you, the parent/carer; you will then need to add your child's details before starting an application. You will receive a confirmation email that your application has been correctly submitted.

You can log back in at any time to view the information submitted.

Receiving your offer

On offer day (Friday 16 April 2027) an email will be sent to you informing you of your offer.

You must accept or decline the school place you have been offered by Friday 30 April 2027. A link to a guide with information you will need to provide the school with will be in your offer email.

If it has not been possible to offer your child a place in your preferred school, you have the right to appeal. You can also add their name to the school's waiting list.

Moving house during the application window will likely complicate your application and we therefore advise you to pay special attention to key dates in the admissions process. KCC has no discretionary authority to vary the process for parents who cannot complete address moves in time to make use of them for admissions purposes. If you are moving, please email the team on one of the email addresses below for advice.

Key dates

Friday 6 November 2026	Online application process opens. Go to www.kent.gov.uk/primaryadmissions to register and apply.
Friday 15 January 2027	Online application process closes for the main round. Any amendments after this date must be emailed to kentonlineadmissions@kent.gov.uk
Friday 16 April 2027	Offers of school places sent to parents via email after 4pm.
Friday 30 April 2027	Parents should contact the school to accept/refuse the place that has been offered and can use the link in the offer email to ask for their child to be added to the waiting list of schools named on the original application.
Monday 17 May 2027	Appeals need to be lodged by this date to be heard before September – appeals information can be found at www.kent.gov.uk/schoolappeals . You can only appeal for schools that were named on the application form.

Need help?

Email primaryadmissions@kent.gov.uk

Full information booklet can also be viewed online at kent.gov.uk/primaryadmissions

Only one application per pupil will be accepted. If you apply online, do not complete any other form of application. Keep your login details safe and use your registered email address for all communication with the team.

The confirmation email may go to your junk/spam folder of your email – please check here before contacting our team for confirmation.

Please note applications can only be made via Kent County Council (KCC) if the child resides at a KCC address. If your child does not reside at a KCC address, you must make an application via your Local Authority.



LSFA News

What We're Funding Now

We currently have some funds available and have agreed to support:

 OPAL Play – More water-play equipment, crates, shovels, spades, chalk and other resources.

 Novel Study – Purchasing a missing book from the sets we funded last year.

 Sensory Circuits – New mats for the morning sensory circuits to support children who benefit from them.

Our Main Fundraising Goal – The Gardening Area

Our main fundraising focus this year will be helping to develop the school's gardening area.

Last year, the LSFA funded seating for this space, and the school has since put together plans to develop the area further and incorporate it into the curriculum.

The plans include:

- A dedicated gardening and growing area
- Space for each class to get involved
- Opportunities to link gardening and outdoor learning into the curriculum
- A welcoming outdoor space for the children to enjoy

The school had hoped to secure a grant to fund the gardening project, but unfortunately this wasn't successful. The LSFA would therefore like to help fund as much of the project as we can and bring the school's plans to life.

We don't yet know the total cost, but once we do, we'll be able to set a fundraising target and let everyone know what we're working towards! 

Our Continued Support

Alongside the gardening project, we'll continue supporting:

OPAL Play – Including plans for flip bars, painted four-square grids, sensory equipment and a musical wall.

- School minibus
- Class trips
- Library magazine subscriptions

We'll be holding all our usual events and fundraisers throughout the year, including: Christmas Raffle, Break the Rules Day, Easter Egg Hunt, Pool Party, Colour Run..

 Disco Party Bingo – We're hoping to bring this back following the success of our last one! We're currently looking at dates and hope to make it even bigger and better this year, with some great cash prizes up for grabs!

 Golden Ticket Event – We're looking at changing up our usual Easter raffle with a fun Wonka-style chocolate bar event! Some lucky bars will contain a Golden Ticket, giving children the chance to choose a prize. More details will follow once we've finalised the plans!  

Wednesday 14th October

Year 1 & 2 Harvest performance to Year 1
parents 9.15am

Thursday 15th October

Year 1 & 2 Harvest performance to Year 2
parents 9.15am

Friday 16th October

Kent Test results (Year 6)

Monday 19th October

Ranger's Day 1

Tuesday 20th October

Year R Share the Learning 2.45pm

Wednesday 21st October

Year 2 Share the Learning 2.45pm

Year 6 Share the Learning 2.45pm

Year R, 1, 2 Halloween Disco 4:00-5:30pm

Thursday 22nd October

Year 3, 4, 5, 6 Halloween Disco 4:00-
5:30pm

Friday 23rd October

End of Term

Monday 2nd November

Staff Development Day – School Closed

Tuesday 3rd November

Start of Term 2 & Y4 Gym Sessions start

Wednesday 4th November

Year 2 Forest School sessions start

Thursday 5th November

Year 3 Swimming Sessions start

Tuesday 10th November

Parents Evening 4:00 – 7:00pm

Wednesday 11th November

Year 2 Forest School

Parents Evening 4:00 -6:00pm

Monday 16th November

Odd socks day

Wednesday 18th November

Year 2 Forest School

Friday 20th November

Children in Need Day

Wednesday 25th November

Year 2 Forest School

Year 5 Trip to Wicked

Friday 27th November

Non-Uniform Day

Wednesday 2nd December

Year 2 Forest School

Monday 7th December

Year 3 Share the Learning 2.45pm

Wednesday 9th December

iRock Concert 9:15am

Year 1 Share the Learning 2.45pm

Year 2 Forest School

Friday 11th December

Rangers Day 2

Monday 14th December

Year 4 Share the Learning 2.45pm

Wednesday 16th December

Christmas Jumper Day

Christmas Dinner

Friday 18th December

Talent Show

End of Term 2

Monday 4th January

Start of Term 3

The weather is certainly becoming very changeable. Please make sure your child has a coat in school (NAMED) every day.

Wishing you all a fabulous weekend, when it arrives.

