



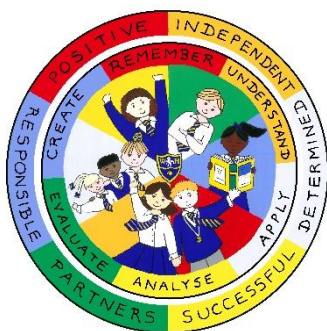
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Headteacher's message

Well, here we are at the end of another busy and successful year at Warden House. This has been a year that has seen life getting more and more back to normal since the craziness of the past two years and we are very grateful for that.

There have been some real highlights to look back on: from our whole school trip to the Marlow Pantomime at Christmas time, our nativities and performances – including our recent Year 6 Buggy Malone show; our Year 6 trip to PGL, our relaunched "Sportathlon Day" and traditional sports days, our PTFA events – including our Christmas and Summer Fairs alongside author visits, 'Mathmagician' visit, science assemblies, the return of our Exhibition Evening and so much more.

As we always do at this time of year, we say goodbye to our fantastic Year 6 pupils as they get ready to move on to their new schools in September. I have been so proud of their achievements this year – not least with the quality of their Buggy Malone show. We will certainly miss them at Warden House and hope that they keep in touch.



On behalf of the entire staff team, I would like to thank each and every one of you for your support this year. I wish you all a fabulous summer break and look forward to welcoming the children back to school on Monday 5 September.

Best wishes, *Mr. Hackett*

Hello and goodbye!

As you will be aware, we have several staff members moving on at the end of this term – and several new members of staff joining our team.

Departures

We are really sad to be saying goodbye to our Trust CEO Mr. Graham Chisnell who is heading off on a new adventure as an OFSTED inspector and a school advisor next year. Mr. Chisnell was headteacher of our school from Easter 2009 and moved up to become Executive Headteacher / CEO of Warden House and Veritas Multi-Academy Trust in 2018. I am sure you will join me in wishing Mr. Chisnell all the very best for his future. We thank him for all that he has done for our school community over the past 13 years.



We are also sad to say goodbye at the end of this term to our Rabbits class teacher Miss Hodges, TA Mrs. Maidment, TA Mr. Austin and catch-up teacher Mrs. Underwood who will all be moving on to pastures new. We thank them for all of their hard work and support and wish them the very best for their futures. They will be missed!

Mrs. Hockley will also be leaving us on a temporary basis as she begins her maternity leave at the start of the summer holidays. We wish her and her family all the very best as they get to welcome their new arrival.



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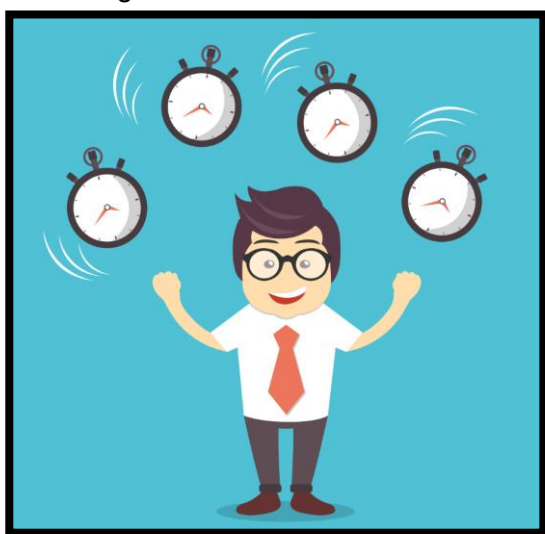
Arrivals

We have a range of staff joining our team in September. We would like to welcome new class teachers Miss Wyatt, Miss Woods and Mrs. Cleary.

We also welcome new nurture TAs Miss Poole and Mr. March. We are also pleased to welcome new SENCO assistant Lucy Watson who will be joining our team on a part-time basis.

School day timings for September

Please don't forget that our school start times have changed slightly from September following guidance from the government regarding the length of the working week.



New timings confirmed for September 2022:

- Class doors open at **8:40am**.
- Class doors close at **8:45am** for all pupils and registration takes place. All pupils will be expected to be in school by this point. Anyone arriving after this time to be recorded as late.
- School ends at **3:15pm** for all pupils

Sports Days

A huge "Thank you" to Mrs. Hockley for organising two such superb sports days for our children. Thank you as well to all of our staff team and the volunteers who all contributed and helped with the scoring or the setup of the races.



Thanks also to those very kind parents and friends who loaned us gazebos. They really made such a difference and allowed us to keep the children in the shade as much as possible. The children were all fantastic and performed so well in all of their races and events.

Results:

- *Congratulations to Yellow Unicorns who won Year R and KS1 Sports Day.*
- *Congratulations to Green Griffins who won KS2 Sports Day.*
- *The overall winners this year were Green Griffins.*
- *Well done to Blue Phoenix who were victorious in the inter-house relay.*

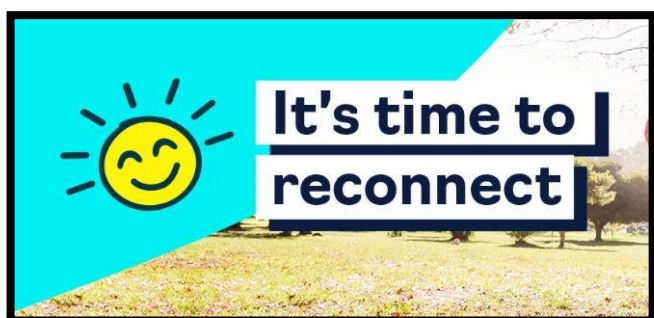
A special thank you to all those parents who took part in our parents races over both days too! You were great sports and the children really appreciated you taking part.

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Kent Reconnect Programme

We are pleased to share information about KCC's ongoing "Reconnect" programme aimed at supporting children and families during the summer break. There are some super free initiatives.

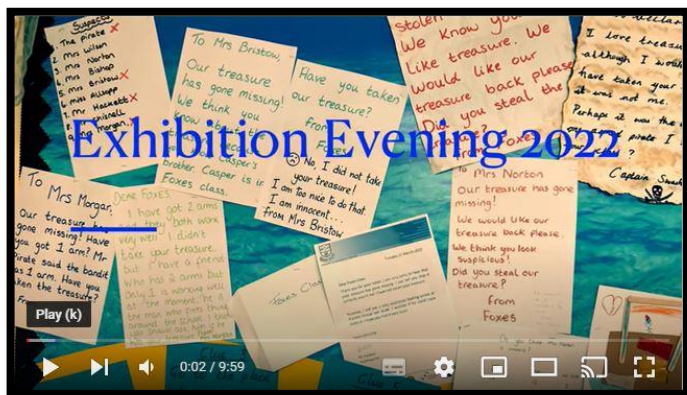
Please [click here](#) to view further information.



Exhibition Evening

We really enjoyed hosting our Exhibition Evening earlier in the term. Thank you to everyone who came along to share our children's learning across the year.

If you missed it, [click here](#) to view a lovely video showing just some of the work on display in all classes across the school.



Pfizers Science Assembly

We were recently treated to two special science assemblies where a team from Pfizer's came in to inspire our children with a range of exciting science experiments and demonstrations.



We held two separate KS1 and KS2 assemblies for the children who were able to take part in experiments on a larger scale than can normally take place in a primary classroom.

Thanks to Dr. Peach and the team for an inspirational morning and to Mrs. Marsh for organising this for our children.

Bugsy Malone

A huge well done to our Year 6 Falcons and Hippos Classes for all of their hard work on their Bugsy Malone performance last week.

The children were all absolutely amazing and put on two superb performances to their families and friends.

We are so proud of all of their hard work. It really paid off!

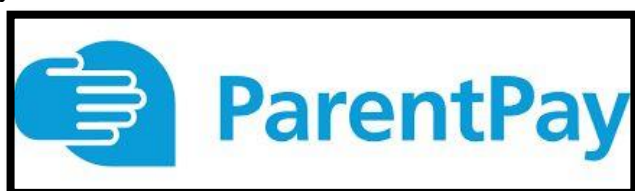
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The children played brilliantly alongside over a hundred other musicians, including the fantastic White Cliffs Symphonic Band conducted by Graham Harvey.

Parent Pay

Do look out for the letter regarding [ParentPay](#) activation letter which was sent home last week. We are really pleased to be able to launch this new service – and are really sorry for all of the stresses that have been caused by the Pupil Asset app this year.



Please do make sure that you activate your account as soon as possible. If you have any queries or issues please contact the school office.

Bold As! brass concert

A huge well done to our KS2 “Bold As!” brass musicians who took part in a special jubilee concert on Thursday 23 June at St. George’s Church in Deal.

Year 5 Trip to Betteshanger

The three Year 5 classes saved up their reward time for completing two merit tubes each and decided they wanted to have a day at Betteshanger Park. After enjoying a very exciting Science assembly, we walked from school to Betteshanger. It was a long walk, but we all made it in one piece!

At Betteshanger, the children were able to spend their treat time doing activities of their choosing: diamond cricket, kick rounders, football or simply playing their own games with their friends.





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It was so wonderful to see them together as a year group, working together and being so supportive of each other; being independent and displaying some great skills which they have developed in their PE lessons this year.

After lunch, the children ventured to the newly refurbished play area which was very exciting and lots of fun. They each had an ice cream and just about managed to fit under the shelter of the roof as the clouds opened and released a downpour. The children then walked back to school in time for the end of the day - exhausted but happy.

The children were a credit to themselves and the school, and all the Year 5 staff were very proud of them!

Summer Fair

Thank you to everyone who came along to attend our PTFA summer fair straight after school on Friday 24 June. The event was a fantastic success with an absolutely phenomenal profit of £2316.84 raised to go directly to supporting our children and families at Warden House.



A huge thank you to our PTFA team for all of their hard work in putting on such a fantastic afternoon for our community

Superb support

We recently received a surprise visit from Gary Fagg MBE, chairman of the Paula Carr Diabetes Trust. Gary came into assembly to present very special awards to two of our Year 6 TAs, Ms. Rolfe and Mrs. Atkins.



Gary was contacted by the parents of two of our Year 6 pupils following the recent PGL trip.

Their children are affected by diabetes and both parents recognised the support that their children had received during their trip had been absolutely exceptional.

Term 6 Golden Certificate Winners

The children below have been awarded Golden Certificates for the exceptional achievements across terms 5 and 6:

Foxes	Rabbits	Leopards	Penguins
Olivia H Frankie H	Eliza C Arthur P	Teddie V Ivy F	Maddie M-F Hugo H
Frogs	Lions	Bees	Polar Bears
Teddy T-W Maisy C	Charlie S Mia H	Freddie T Jessica p	Devon H Elsie H
Sharks	Kangaroos	Pandas	Elephants
Mena R Albie P	Henry T Kaydence L	Charlie B Isabella I-P	Marie A James C
Giraffes	Falcons	Hippos	Butterflies
Alisha P Ava-Rose G	Dexter F Rosa M	Blake H Jasmine B	McKenzie L Billy B



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Key Dates for Terms 6	
Term 6 starts	Tuesday 7 June 2022
Year 6 Oscars and Leavers' Party	Tuesday 19 July from 5:45pm
End of Year Reports sent home	Wednesday 20 July 2022
Term 6 ends	Wednesday 20 July 2022 at 2pm
Summer Holiday	Thursday 21 July – Friday 2 September 2022
Term 1 Starts	Monday 5 September 2022
Kent Test (PESE) for registered Year 6 pupils	Thursday 8 September 2022
Dover Grammar School Tests for registered pupils	Saturday 10 September 2022
Parents Evenings for Pupils in Year 1-6	Wednesday 12 and Thursday 13 October 2022
Parents' Evenings for Pupils in Year R	Tuesday 18 and Wednesday 19 October 2022