



# Ulcombe Church of England Primary School

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## Weekly Newsletter

Term 1, Week 4

Diary Week Beginning Monday 30<sup>th</sup> September 2024



Day	Date	Event
Monday	30 <sup>th</sup>	Barn Owls to wear active uniform Tawny Owls to wear active uniform 2:00pm - Open Afternoon for new Year R children '25 3:15-4:30pm – Football Club 3:15pm – Cake Sale in the playground all proceeds going to Macmillan.
pTuesday	1 <sup>st</sup>	Owlets to wear active uniform 2:00pm - Open Afternoon for new Year R children '25
Wednesday	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Barn Owls to wear active uniform
Thursday	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Owlets to wear active uniform Tawny Owls to wear active uniform Census Day Carnival Festival Lunch Menu (Battered Chicken Breast, Chips & Beans/Peas plus Mini Doughnut/Fruit) Year 6 Swimming – remember costume, towel & £3.00 swim money 3:15-4:30pm – Young Voices Club
Friday	4 <sup>th</sup>	Cross Country Event (selected children only) 2:00pm – Harvest Festival Service at Ulcombe Church. Please collect your child from school at 1:45pm. <b>All Children to be collected from Ulcombe Church (by 3:00pm)</b>



### Miss Hickling – Next Week

This week has been a very busy week in school, as we have had lots of visitors. We have been reviewing the curriculum this week and ensuring that it is adapted to match the starting points of all our pupils. Therefore all the leaders from across Aspire have visited looking at the subjects they are responsible for. The improvement advisor from Kent has also visited. Thanks to the staff and pupils for all their hard work this week and for answering the many questions posed to them.

Please look out for letters regarding sporting events. Miss Liddicoat has been busy signing us up for several competitions. You will receive a letter if your child has been chosen.



Please ensure your child is wearing school uniform - black trousers, skirt, dress or leggings with a white shirt and a royal blue jumper or cardigan.

Football cards **are not** allowed in school, some have been given to the children this week, they need to be taken home and left at home.





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This week we have been discussing some proverbs that Christians believe give us wisdom for life. They certainly give us food for thought about the choices we make.

This is one of the proverbs we looked at:

Proverbs 16:32 states, "Whoever is slow to anger is better than the mighty, and he who rules his spirit than he who takes a city".

This verse can be interpreted as a reminder to be patient and to control one's anger, rather than to be a strong soldier or to capture a city. It can also be seen as a reminder to give oneself space, think level headedly, and consider context and perspective.

We talk to the children about keeping calm and reacting in the right way often, especially during restorative conversations which take place after tempers have been lost. This proverb is another reminder to keep calm in a crisis situation. Something we could all learn from.

**TRUST RESPECT HOPE ENDURANCE**

## Weekly Awards

	Owlets	Barn Owls	Tawny Owls
<b>Star of the week</b> (nominated by staff)	Johnny W	Joseph W	Absey
<b>Christian Value</b> (nominated by pupils)	Respect award to Harry. Nominated by John.	Trust award to Paddy. Nominated by George H.	Kindness award to Holly. Nominated by Tilly.

## Christian Values Awards

Children are awarded raffle tickets when they show signs of our Christian values. Please talk to your child to find out how they earned their tickets.

All of the tickets are added together at the end of the week and converted into house points.

### Owlets

**Endurance:** Vienna, Nancy, Derick, Arthur, Frank, Anna-May, Presley, Johnny

**Respect:** Italia, Vienna, Frank, Teddy, Johnny

**Hope:** Luke, Vienna, Francesca, Shay, Arthur, Anna-May, Teddy

**Trust:** Noah, Georgi, John, Harry, Johnny

### Barn Owls

**Endurance:** Albert 2, Bonnie, Cara, Casey 4, Freddie-Joe, George A, Lacey 2, Michael 3, Miley, Olivia 5, Rebecca 5

**Hope:** Alfie, Annie 2, April, Casey, Miley

**Respect:** Angelina 2, Casey, George H, Joseph, Michael, Olivia 2, Rebecca 2, Scarlett 2, Tommy

**Trust:** Aaron, Alfie, Angelina, Annabella, Annie, Bonnie, Casey 2, Eli, Erica, George A, George H, Harry, Joseph, Olivia, Rebecca, Tommy





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## Tawny Owls

**Endurance:** Absey, Olivia, Belle, Miley S, Evalyn

**Respect:** Absey 2, Honey, Paul H, Tilly, Willow, Paul C 2, Jackson 3

**Trust:** Valentina, Ruby

## House Points

Doves	Eagles	Ravens
136	145	144

## Attendance and Punctuality

Our attendance winners this week are Tawny Owls with 85.83% - Well Done!! Barn Owls came second with 84.25% and Owlets had 83.2% attendance. This gave us a whole school attendance of 84.39%.

The best punctuality goes to Tawny Owls with no late arrivals! Owlets came second with 1 and Barn Owls had 7. Remember, please keep us informed if your child is off school or the absence will be unauthorised.

## Macmillan Cake Sale – Monday 30<sup>th</sup> September

We're holding a Macmillan Cake Sale in the playground after school on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> September. All proceeds will go to Macmillan cancer support.



## Harvest Festival Service – Friday 4<sup>th</sup> October

We're excited to celebrate our Harvest Festival at Ulcombe church on **Friday, October 4th!** This is a wonderful time for us to come together, give thanks, and help those in need.

The service will start at 2:00pm but we would be very grateful if you collect your child from the school at **1:45pm** and transport them to the church. Unfortunately we don't have use of the minibus so if you could arrange among yourselves to transport as many children as possible, we would really appreciate it. Any children who are unable to be transported will be walked up/driven up to the church by a member of staff.

Thank you in advance for all your help and co-operation and we hope as many of you as possible will be able to join us. All children must be collected from church at the end of the service (by **3:00pm**).



## Food Donations

We kindly ask everyone to bring in a **food donation** on **Friday 4<sup>th</sup> October '24** to support **Maidstone Foodbank** – anything from tins and packets to long-life products is greatly appreciated. These can either be brought into school or straight to the church. Your generosity can make a big difference to families in our community.





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## Owlets – Wellies & Waterproofs

Owlets children have been enjoying digging in the mud kitchen and as the weather is getting colder and wetter, please could you send your child in with named wellies and waterproofs. Many thanks.



## Reception 2025 Open Afternoons/Mornings

If you know of anyone who has a child who is due to start Reception class next year, please let them know about our open mornings/afternoons.



We're opening our doors on the following days to show new parents what we offer here at Ulcombe.

- Monday 30<sup>th</sup> September @ 2pm
- Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> October @ 2pm
- Monday 14<sup>th</sup> October @ 2pm
- Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October @ 10am



## Flu Vaccination

If you haven't already done so, please submit your consent for the Flu Immunisation Programme via the Immunisation Service's website <https://family.kentcht.nhs.uk/imms> and click on "Child vaccination form" button to complete. The vaccinations will be taking place in school on 16<sup>th</sup> October.

The closing date to complete the online consent form is 10<sup>th</sup> October.

## New Caterlink Lunch Menu

Please find attached the new Caterlink which starts w/c 4<sup>th</sup> November (after half term).

## Dates for your Diary

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> September – Open Afternoon (2pm - for new Year R children 2025)  
Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> October – Open Afternoon (2pm - for new Year R children 2025)  
Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> October – Carnival Festival Lunch Menu  
Friday 4<sup>th</sup> October – Harvest Festival at Ulcombe Church  
Monday 14<sup>th</sup> October – Open Afternoon (2pm - for new Year R children 2025)  
Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> October – Flu Vaccination  
Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October – Open Morning (10am - for new Year R children 2025)  
Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October – Last day of Term  
Monday 28<sup>th</sup> October-Friday 1<sup>st</sup> November – Half Term  
Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November – First day of Term 2  
Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2025 – Young Voices

