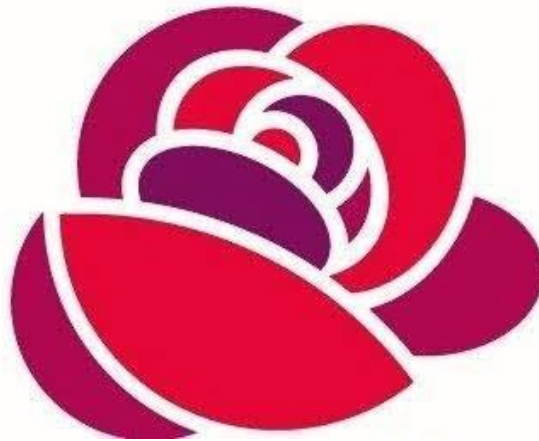




Hawkchurch C of E Primary Newsletter

18/9/26

[A Place to Belong: A Place to Flourish.](#)

Welcome to our new newsletter we hope you enjoy finding out a bit more about the lovely things that the children have been doing over the last couple of weeks.

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Dates for your Diary

30/9/26 School Photos

01/10/26 Flu Nasal Sprays

5/10/26 PTFA meeting 3.30pm at school

09/10/26 Harvest Festival details to follow

Message from Mr Keay

Welcome to our first newsletter of the year. It has been a lovely couple of weeks at Hawkchurch. I have been made to feel very welcome by everyone across the school community. It has been lovely getting to know the children and works alongside staff.

We have focused a lot the first couple of weeks on how we expect everyone to behave within school and have worked hard to build the children's understanding of Kind, Safe, Ready. All the children thought carefully about how we can be kind in school and all the children expressed this on a hand print. We then looked at how we can be safe and ready and used the Hawkchurch Rose as an inspiration of how we can all be safe and all be ready to learn. We used the children's design as inspiration for a new piece of art work which local

artist Nic George came along to paint and will be on display outside of school. We look forward to seeing the children demonstrate these values each and every day.

Each week, each class will choose their Star of the week. Teachers are looking for those children who display one of our values of, Belonging, Resilience, Honesty and Respect.









Little Robins and Robins Class



Little Robins have made a super start to the year, they have enjoyed making new friends and exploring their new classroom. They have all engaged in lots of super play and have been enjoying creating their own creature with paint. The children enjoyed decorating biscuits, practicing their piping skills and tasting them too.











Robins Stars of the week

Jimmy for showing our value of Belonging

Florence for showing the value of Belonging

Everyone in Robins has come back to school with a really positive attitude and have been excited for the new learning this term. The children have started to learn about Toys through

time in History, materials in Science and will be looking at structures in DT. RE sees the children learning all about What the good news Christians believe Jesus brings.

Buzzards Class



Stars of the week

Beau for showing the value of belonging.

Austin for showing the value of Resilience

Well done to everyone in Buzzards — we've had a brilliant first week of our Autumn curriculum. The children have explored Ancient Greece, looking at where it sits on a world timeline and discovering how Greek pot designs were inspired by artwork from Turkey.

In French, we're continuing to build confidence with phonics, and in Science we've begun learning about the circulatory system — how our heart and blood help us to breathe, move and stay healthy.

Could all Buzzard's please bring in an old T-shirt / jumper to be kept in school. This is because we might get a little dirt when handling clay and Modroc over the term - thank you.

A lovely start to the term for all of Buzzards.

VIPERS Reading Bookmarks

Reading is such an important skill, and your child will soon bring home a VIPERS bookmark to help them use the same reading strategies we teach in class. The simple prompts on the bookmark make it easy to chat about stories together and gently build understanding at home. A little VIPERS talk can make a big difference to their reading confidence.

Online Gaming: A Quick Note for Families

We're noticing a new trend in online gaming where some children use an older sibling's or parent's face to get around age-verification checks. It might seem harmless, but it can open the door to games and chat spaces designed for much older users.

We'd gently encourage families to keep an eye on which accounts children are using at home. Making sure they stay on age-appropriate platforms is one of the simplest ways to keep their online world safe, positive and enjoyable.

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