



Lady Joanna Thornhill (Endowed) Primary School

NEWSLETTER

1st May 2026



Heart and Hand

Dear Parents and Carers,

We were treated to a wonderful display of Morris dancing today by the East Kent Morris Dancers. The group had already been up at the crack of dawn, gathering at the Crown to watch the sunrise before making their way to join us. What a day for it too—the lovely sunshine made the whole occasion feel even more special.

Adding to the celebrations, a group of children performed a delightful Maypole dance at school earlier in the day. They later continued the festivities with a visit to Luckley House, where they entertained the residents with their dancing and enthusiasm.

Thank you to all of you who attended the Literacy Evening last night. It was a really informative event, featuring a great mix of “Reading for Pleasure” from Lucy Strange, alongside contributions from our own literacy lead, Mrs Kemp, and our children. Our Year 6 Reading Ambassadors were fantastic, and we also heard an inspirational speech from one of our Year 6 children, who spoke about her understanding of herself as a learner with dyslexia. We are hoping to share the slides with you in the newsletter next week.

It was a joyful start to May, filled with tradition, community spirit, and plenty of smiles.

Rachael Foster
Headteacher

MAY DAY - Morris Dancers and Luckley House

Thank you to all of the Morris dancers for visiting us, the children loved watching you all! We were also treated to some of our wonderful children Maypole dancing, which was a wonderful sight!

Later on the choir visited Luckley house to sing to the residents, which was enjoyed thoroughly by everyone! Thank you to the residents for allowing us to visit!



The Lady Joanna Hairdressing salon is now open for business...and looking fabulous!

If any of our amazing families have any hair pieces, girls' worlds type toys or dolls with long hair that they are willing to donate, the children would love these to really immerse themselves in creative roleplay.

Thanks to our extremely talented Miss Weller for painting the sign for us, and to Terry for building the salon; we really are very lucky to have such amazing staff and families at school!



Notices

- **APPOINTMENTS.** Please make routine appointments such as optician, GP and dental fully outside of school time. If you have an unavoidable appointments during the day, please ensure you have completed the form [Attendance & Punctuality | Lady Joanna Thornhill Endowed Primary School](#), provided proof of the appointment and given as much notice as possible. If you have more than one child, please do try to arrange alternative pick up for the child not attending the appointment, to avoid them missing school for a sibling's appointment.
- **LATE COLLECTION** Please collect your child promptly from school at 3:15pm (EYFS/ KS1) or 3:20pm (KS2) if they do not have a club/Thrive. Children collected late will wait in the office area for a short time, but will be placed in Thrive if parents do not arrive and parents would be charged at this point. All children collected late must sign out on the screen and advise a member of the office team prior to leaving.

COMMUNITY INFORMATION

Bump-to-6
A pre-loved baby & child market

Saturday 9th May 2026
Set up from 8am
Event time: 9am-12pm
Godmersham Village Hall
Canterbury Road
Godmersham
CT14 7DR

BRAND NEW FOR 2026
We are hosting a pre-loved baby & child market/booth/fair time for a declutter?
We are looking for people who want to make some extra cash on their pre-loved pregnancy items, baby items, children's items and anything that could help another family out.
£10 a pitch, and you keep all your money made!
Plus a free hot or cold drink upon arrival for you to enjoy while setting up!

£10 a stall
FREE hot or cold drink on arrival!

To Book Contact:
Dick Johnson on 07964 735878 or
Email: govh.info

**KENT LIONS FC
DISABILITY TEAM
PLAYERS WANTED
AGED 7 ONWARDS**

We are an all inclusive club, everyone will receive the same training and game time regardless of ability. Once a month, we play in the Kent Disability league.

We are looking to add to our 120+ players, across our U11, U13, U16 & Adult teams.

Junior Training 5:30-6:30PM & Adult Training 6:30-7:30PM every Friday at Pitchside in Ashford. Postcode: TN23 5RW

CONTACT
Daniel Ambler
07752 953906

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SWIM ACADEMY

Elite Swim Academy Trials Available!

We have a rare opportunity to join our Elite Swim Academy via swimming trials in the following towns in Kent:

Ashford | Broadstairs | Cobham | Dover | Maidstone (Sutton Valence)

These Elite trials are only suitable for children who can confidently and reliably:

- Swim 75m front crawl
- Swim at least 10m wearing clothes
- Swim at least 10m breaststroke
- Perform sculling on their back with no swimming aids
- Tread water out of their depth
- Demonstrate they can surface dive and collect a sinking object from the pool floor

They are perfect for children looking to perfect their technique, skills and stamina. To sign your child up for an Elite Swim Academy trial, please scan the QR code and complete the form now!

Complete the form and book your trial now!

01622 236111
eastkent@puddleducks.com
Find more information at www.puddleducks.com

Swim Academy is brought to you by the experts at Puddle Ducks

SPOTLIGHT ON YEAR 4

Year 4 Become Dental Detectives in Science!

This week in Science, Year 4 children have been busy becoming dental detectives as they explored the fascinating world of teeth. The children learned that humans have four main types of teeth and discussed the special job or function of each one. They discovered how different teeth help us bite, tear and grind food, and why having a mix of teeth is important for eating a balanced diet.

To deepen their understanding, the children also took part in an exciting practical investigation called The Eggshell Experiment. Using eggshells to represent tooth enamel, the class set up a fair test to explore the question: Do fizzy or sugary drinks affect our teeth? The eggshells were carefully placed in different liquids – water, apple juice, squash, milk and coke – and the children discussed how to keep the test fair by using the same amount of liquid and observing changes over time. Pupils made predictions, used scientific vocabulary, and talked about what they thought might happen and why. The eggs in the water and milk did not change but the eggs in the apple juice, squash and coke were all affected by the sugar and acid contents of those liquids. Have a look at the before and after photos of the eggs!

Alongside the experiment, Year 4 learned how to keep our teeth healthy and strong, linking their findings back to everyday choices about drinks and dental care. It has been a fun, hands-on week of learning, with lots of curiosity, excellent questions and some brilliant scientific thinking.

Ask your child at home about the experiment – they are full of facts and eager to share what they've discovered!



Leon in Year 5 competed in a football festival last weekend, where his team, Canterbury Eagles, won the trophy! They were already the defending champions, so were very happy to lift the trophy again! Well done Leon, such an amazing achievement!

We love to hear about achievements, events and activities our brilliant children are taking part in, please email a photo and some information to Mrs Cox at office@ladyj.kent.sch.uk



ATTENDANCE AWARDS

The results are in for our attendance awards for this week!

Attendance

- ♦ 3rd Place - Squirrel Class
- ♦ 2nd Place - Wagtail Class
- ♦ 1st Place - Parrot Class

Well done to Squirrel Class and Wagtail Class for a great effort - and to our winners, Parrot Class, who have been awarded 15 minutes of free play time and a certificate!

We are excited to see who will win each week! Please remember, attendance for every child should be above 97%.

Mrs Read, Pastoral Support Mentor

THRIVE

This week in Thrive we have been creative and have made some wonderful weather mobiles. We have also enjoyed playing outside, weaving and building fantastic creations using KNEX!

Coats

Please can we politely request that children bring a coat to school, as we go out in the playground early first thing and late in the afternoon.

Staff car park

We politely request that parents do not use the staff car park when dropping children off or collecting them from Thrive for safeguarding purposes.

Ad hoc bookings

Ad hoc bookings can be made via ParentPay. At the time of booking, please select specific days/dates which you would like your child to attend. ParentPay requires payment for the selected sessions at the time of booking. We politely request that you give 48 hours' notice at the time of booking. This notice period is essential for safeguarding purposes and to ensure that the correct staff:child ratio is provided. We will try and accommodate emergency requests wherever possible, but these cannot be guaranteed. If an ad hoc booking is cancelled with less than 48 hours' notice, you will not be entitled to a refund.

Outdoor PE

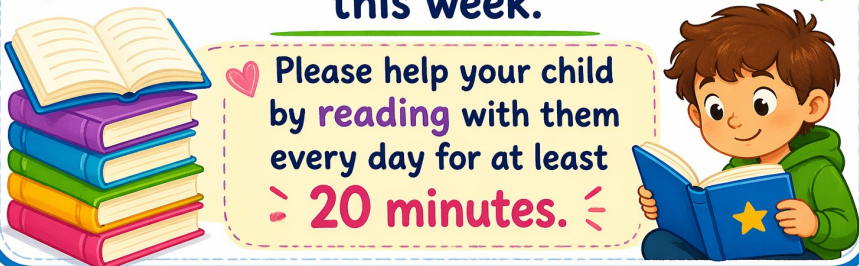
If your child has outdoor PE on the same day that they are in Thrive, we politely request that they bring a change of clothes with them and appropriate footwear, should they need to change.



MENU CHANGE 21ST MAY 26

★ KS2 children ★
will have been given their
new Accelerated Reader
target and reading range
this week.

★ Please help your child
by reading with them
every day for at least
20 minutes. ★



HARRY POTTER THEMED MENU

NOURISH

21ST MAY

Slytherin's Chicken Meatball Sub 1.6
Bertie Bott's Bean, Pepper and Cheese Pocket 1.7
V Hagrid's Jacket Potato with a choice of fillings
7.6.9

Ron's Roast Wedges
Moaning Myrtle's Mixed Veg
Gillyweed Salad

Hagrid's Bake (Vanilla Cake) 1 VG
Leaky Cauldron's Jelly VG
Hedwig's Fruit Pots VG



Dishes marked with any of the following numbers contain the matching allergen:
1 Wheal Gluten 2 Crustaceans 3 Soybean 4 Mustard 5 Sesame 6 Sulphites/Sulphur Dioxide 7 Milk 8 Fish 9 Egg
10 Preservatives 11 Molluscs 12 Celery/Celery 13 Nuts 14 Lupine 15 One Gluten 16 Barley Gluten 17 Vegetarian VG Vegan

NOTICES.

- **Roadworks.** Please leave extra time for your journey on 5th and 6th May as there will be roadworks with Bridge Street closed to traffic - See [Kent Traffic Information Tabular View 2](#) for more information.
- **Absences due to sickness.** If your child is unable to attend school due to illness, we ask that you contact each morning of the illness before 9am please and give symptoms of the illness or an update. Please either ring the school and choose the absence option, or email absence@ladyj.kent.sch.uk For safeguarding your children, we must account for ALL pupils. If we have not heard from you then we will have to keep trying to contact you to confirm. This is important for all children, but can be a significant safeguarding risk for children who may walk themselves to school. If we do not hear from you and cannot contact you, this may result in a home welfare check or an unauthorised absence mark
- **Absences for appointments.** We appreciate that hospital appointments, therapy appointments and orthodontic appointments are hard to re-schedule, but we ask that routine dental, GP and eye test appointments are made fully outside of school time. For any unavoidable appointments, please complete the form giving as much notice as possible and attaching confirmation of the appointment. Please note that we cannot authorise leave retrospectively. The form can be found on the school website at [Attendance & Punctuality | Lady Joanna Thornhill Endowed Primary School](#) or a paper copy can be collected from the school office.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

Please could we remind parents to send children in to school with the correct school uniform each day. please view the school website at [Uniform Information | Lady Joanna Thornhill Endowed Primary School](#)

- **Burgundy School Jumper/ cardigan with Logo.** Fleeces from home should **not** be worn in class.
- **Grey skirt/trousers/pinafore (or blue and white checked dress in summer)** No leggings.
- **Blue short sleeved polo shirt (no roll necks or white shirts)**
- **Black shoes (no boots, trainers or open toed shoes)**
- **Grey socks or grey tights, no leggings**
- **PE Kit may be worn on PE days only, if advised by class teacher**
- **PE kit is Navy Blue Shorts/Skort/Trackpants, light blue top and sweatshirt or navy logo track jacket & plain trainers (white, black or navy)**
- **Hair should be neat and natural colour (no dyed hair or highlights).**
- **Earrings. Small stud type earrings only. No hoops or dangly earrings. Pupils may be**

Go Green at Snack Time!

We are always looking for simple ways to make our school a little kinder to the environment, and snack time is a great place to start! As part of the **Lady Joanna Thornhill Climate Action Plan 2025–26**, we are working hard to reduce plastic waste across the school. One area where we can all make a difference is how snacks are packed.

Many children currently bring their snacks in single-use plastic bags, such as sandwich bags. While convenient, these are often used just once before being thrown away, creating unnecessary waste that can harm our planet. A great alternative is to use reusable snack pots or containers. These can be washed and used again and again, helping to reduce plastic waste and keep our school eco-friendly. They are also sturdier, which means fewer squashed snacks at break time!

By making this small change, families can make a big difference over time. Together, we can support our Climate Action Plan and help teach our children the importance of caring for the environment and making sustainable choices every day.





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DIARY DATES

see school calendar for times and information

[Calendar](#) | [Lady Joanna Thornhill Endowed Primary School](#)



Learning for the Head, Heart and Hand

May-26	
Monday 4th May	May Day Bank Holiday (School Closed)
Wednesday 6th May	Ditch the Car Day - Details to follow
Monday 11th May	KS2 SATS
Monday 11th May	Y2 Trip to Reculver Coastal Classroom
Tuesday 12th May	KS2 SATS
Wednesday 13th May	KS2 SATS
Thursday 14th May	KS2 SATS
Friday 15th May	Year 2 Cake Sale
Monday 18th-Friday 22nd May	Y6 Intensive swimming catch up sessions (all week)
Date TBC	Y5 Parent Meeting - Secondary Transfer (PESE) 6:30pm
Tuesday 19th May	Sports Day
Wednesday 20th May	Vision Screening and hearing screenings for children who require 2nd check
Friday 22nd May	Food bank collections before and after school
Friday 22nd May	Term 5 Ends

Jun-26	
Monday 1st June	Term 6 Start
Monday 1st-Friday 5th June	Multiplication tables Checks
Monday 8th June	School class photos
Monday 8th - Friday 12th June	Phonics Screener
Saturday 13th June	School Summer Fayre
Monday 15th-Friday 19th June	Y5 Bikeability (will not be on Sports Day reserve date if this is required)
Tuesday 16th June	Sports Day reserve date
Wednesday 17th June	EYFS Trip to Quex Park and Gardens
Friday 19th June	Father's Day Disco (organised by Friends' Association)
Friday 26th June	Y4 Greek Day, Rainbow Theatre visit (in school)
Friday 26th June	Food bank collections before and after school
Tuesday 30th June	Year 3 Trip to Canterbury Cathedral
Jul-26	
Monday 29th June -Friday 3rd July	Secondary School Transition Week
Wednesday 1st July	RockSteady concert - parents will be invited
Friday 3rd July	Fox Class Assembly
Friday 3rd July	School Disco
Tuesday 7th July	Y6 Dress Rehearsal
Wednesday 8th July	Year 6 Production 9:30am and 7pm
Thursday 9th July	AR Prize Workshop-School Hall.
Friday 10th July	Year 6 Production 9:30am and 7pm
Friday 10th July	Year 1 Cake Sale
Tuesday 14th July	Class Transition Afternoon
Thursday 16th July	Open Evening 6-7:30pm (Thrive ending 5:15pm)
Friday 17th July	Y6 BBQ
Friday 17th July	Food bank collections before and after school
Monday 20th July	Y6 Leavers' Assembly
Tuesday 21st July	Term 6 Ends



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SCHOOL DAY INFORMATION



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Attendance & Punctuality - how do you measure up?

If you have any concerns or would like to know your child's current attendance, please email Mrs Cox at office@ladyj.kent.sch.uk

Children are required by law to attend school for 190 days or 38 weeks per school year. The Government states that every pupil's absence should be at least 95%

Attendance during one school year	Equals - days absent from required 190 days per school year	Equals - sessions absent from required 190 days per school year	Approximate number of weeks missed per school year
95%	9.5 days	19 sessions	2 weeks
90%	19 days	38 sessions	4 weeks
85%	28.5 days	57 sessions	6 weeks
80%	38 days	76 sessions	7.5 weeks
75%	47.5 days	95 sessions	9.5 weeks
70%	57 days	114 sessions	11.5 weeks
65%	66.5 days	133 sessions	13 weeks
60%	76 days	152 sessions	15 weeks
55%	85.5 days	171 sessions	17 weeks
50%	95 days	190 sessions	19 weeks

PUNCTUALITY It is really important to ensure your child is arriving on time to school each day. Arriving late causes disruption to the whole class and can be stressful for your child, and may mean that your child misses out on vital learning sessions, including phonics.

The school gates open at 8:35 each morning and children are expected to be at their desks, ready to learn by no later than 8:45am. Children arriving after 8:45am must sign in at the office and will have their minutes late recorded and will be marked as late on the register. Children arriving after 9am when the registers have closed will have their minutes recorded and will be marked as an unauthorised absence.

TIME / APPROXIMATE DAYS MISSED OVER SCHOOL YEAR (190 DAYS/38 WEEKS)					
No. Minutes Late	1 x per week	2 x per week	3 x per week	4 x per week	5 x per week
5	190 minutes 3 hours 10 minutes half a school day	380 minutes 6 hours 20 minutes 1 school day	570 minutes 9 hours 30 minutes 1.5 school days	760 minutes 12 hours 40 minutes 2 school days	950 minutes 15 hours 50 minutes 2.5 school days
10	380 minutes 6 hours 20 minutes 1 school day	760 minutes 12 hours 40 minutes 2 school days	1,140 minutes 19 hours 3 school days	1,520 minutes 25 hours 20 minutes 4 school days	1,900 minutes 31 hours 40 minutes 5 school days
15	570 minutes 9 hours 30 minutes 1.5 school days	1,140 minutes 19 hours 3 school days	1,710 minutes 28 hours 30 minutes 4.5 school days	2,280 minutes 38 hours 6 school days	2,850 minutes 47 hours 30 minutes 7.5 school days
20	760 minutes 12 hours 40 minutes 2 school days	1,520 minutes 25 hours 20 minutes 4 school days	2,280 minutes 38 hours 6 school days	3,040 minutes 50 hours 40 minutes 8 school days	3,800 minutes 63 hours 20 minutes 10 school days
25	950 minutes 15 hours 50 minutes 2.5 school days	1,900 minutes 31 hours 40 minutes 5 school days	2,850 minutes 47 hours 30 minutes 7.5 school days	3,800 minutes 63 hours 20 minutes 10 school days	4,750 minutes 79 hours 10 minutes 12.5 school days
30	1,140 minutes 19 hours 3 school days	2,280 minutes 38 hours 6 school days	3,420 minutes 57 hours 9 school days	4,560 minutes 76 hours 12 school days	5,700 minutes 95 hours 15 school days

Walking home permission - (Year 5 & Year 6)

If you are happy for your Year 5 or Year 6 child to walk themselves home from school, you will first need to let us know by completing the online form at <https://forms.office.com/e/rGpbWZtywP> or by scanning the QR code. We would ask that all parents in these year groups complete the form so that we have your preference recorded correctly. A new form must be completed each school year.

Please note that if your Y5 or Y6 child has a mobile phone for their walk to school, they must hand this in to the teacher each morning and collect at the end of the school day.

CLUBS. If your child attends a club after school and is unable to attend one week, you must ensure that you have let the school office know either by telephoning the office or emailing clubs@ladyj.kent.sch.uk

SCHOOL LUNCHES

Could we remind parents that school lunches must be ordered first thing in the morning. If your child is coming into school late because of an appointment, you need to let us know first thing if they need a school meal. The Kitchen work to small margins and may not have spare meals available if you have not booked them in, especially for specific requirements such as gluten free or vegetarian. Please also note that we try to be nut free as we have several children who are allergic. Please check labels for packed lunches and snacks. School lunches are currently £3.05 per day, but this will increase to £3.10 from September 2026

***Please also check your ParentPay accounts and make sure that these are in credit at the start of each week. The caterer has a no debt policy.**

LATE ARRIVALS / LATE COLLECTION

If your child will be late to school (after 8:45am) please ensure you have advised the school office. Upon arrival your child must sign in at the school reception so that their lunch option can be recorded and they are added to the fire register. If you are likely to be late

DROPPING OFF / PICKING UP

We ask that parents let the office know if you will be late dropping off to school or collecting your child from school or Wraparound care.

We would also ask that parents refrain from dropping off on Bridge Street, park considerably in and around the village and village hall car park and do not block driveways or other cars. Disabled bays should only be used by people who have authorisation to do so and the staff car park should not be used by parents dropping off or picking up at any time, including for Thrive Wraparound Care. Please remember that there are children walking around these areas and drive slowly. The Village Hall Committee have requested that parents parking in the Village Hall Car park leave quickly and that the car park is clear by 9am

To avoid congestion in the car park, you may wish to park further away and walk to school. There is a free car park near the train station and next to Co-op, and plenty of road side parking around the village. Tom at the Tickled Trout has also said that he is happy for parents to use the pub car park for drop offs and pick ups (and he's also on hand if you need a coffee).

APPOINTMENTS/VISITS

We would ask that parents book all appointments for pupils outside of school hours, including routine GP, Optician or dental checks. There are 13 weeks of holiday per year and evenings and weekends, so please do utilise these times for routine appointments. We do understand that it can be difficult to re-arrange hospital appointments, but if it is possible to make these outside of school hours, this would be helpful.

For all unavoidable appointments, and for any Y5 & Y6 School/transition visits, you must complete an 'appointment absence form' which is available from the school website at www.ladyj.kent.sch.uk/attendance-punctuality or from the school office.

All appointment requests must be submitted to the school office, to avoid absences being recorded as unauthorised, and as much notice as possible should be given. **Please note that copies of appointment letters should be submitted with absence requests.

ABSENCES DURING TERM TIME

Absence during term time will only be authorised in exceptional circumstances and may result in a fine and we cannot authorise time off for term-time holidays. Should an absence be unavoidable, please fill in the Absence form, giving as much notice and detail as possible, and attach a copy of any hospital letters confirming appointment. Forms are available from the school office or via www.ladyj.kent.sch.uk/attendance-punctuality and should be either sent in with your child or emailed to the absence email at absence@ladyj.kent.sch.uk.

ABSENCE DUE TO ILLNESS

If your child is going to be absent from school due to sickness, you do need to let us know by no later than 9am on **each** day your child is going to be absent.

If your child is unwell, or if there is a reason why your child cannot attend school, please either telephone on 01233 812781 or email the school at absence@ladyj.kent.sch.uk, otherwise an unauthorised absence may be recorded.

We have, following requests from parents and from NHS and Gov.uk, updated our guidelines regarding absences due to vomiting and/or diarrhoea. If you child has either of these symptoms they must remain at home until they have had 48 hours clear of symptoms.

SCHOOL CROSSING. To ensure safety for all of our pupils, we would ask that all children cross Bridge Street with Mr Nettleship at the designated school crossing opposite the school.



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CONTACTS & TERM DATES 25/26



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TEACHER CONTACT DETAILS

You may contact your child's teacher(s) by emailing at the below addresses

Reception

Mrs Banner	Bumblebee Class	n.banner@ladyj.kent.sch.uk
Mrs Oliver	Butterfly Class	p.oliver@ladyj.kent.sch.uk
Mrs Hollingworth	Butterfly Class	r.hollingworth@ladyj.kent.sch.uk

Year 1

Mrs Irle	Hedgehog Class	m.irle@ladyj.kent.sch.uk
Ms Dolder	Fox Class	r.dolder@ladyj.kent.sch.uk

Year 2

Mrs Ward	Rabbit Class	s.ward@ladyj.kent.sch.uk
Miss Lewis	Rabbit Class	l.lewis@ladyj.kent.sch.uk
Miss Teesdale	Squirrel Class	m.teesdale@ladyj.kent.sch.uk

Year 3

Mrs Williams	Chaffinch Class	k.law-williams@ladyj.kent.sch.uk
Mrs Whitewood	Chaffinch Class	l.whitewood@ladyj.kent.sch.uk
Mr Phillips	Blackbird Class	l.phillips@ladyj.kent.sch.uk

Year 4

Mrs Boden	Kingfisher Class	r.boden@ladyj.kent.sch.uk
Mrs Kwouk	Parrot Class	b.kwouk@ladyj.kent.sch.uk

Year 5

Mr Godden	Puffin Class	j.godden@ladyj.kent.sch.uk
Mrs Lloyd	Swift Class	r.lloyd@ladyj.kent.sch.uk
Mrs Coxall	Swift Class	h.coxall@ladyj.kent.sch.uk

Year 6

Mrs Kemp	Wagtail Class	dm.kemp@ladyj.kent.sch.uk
Mrs Parker	Woodpecker Class	j.parker@ladyj.kent.sch.uk
Ms Burrell		

SCHOOL CONTACT DETAILS

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Office Manager/ Attendance:	Mrs Cox	office@ladyj.kent.sch.uk
Admissions	Mrs Cox	Admissions@ladyj.kent.sch.uk
School Business Manager	Mrs Stephens	sbm@ladyj.kent.sch.uk
PA to SLT	Mrs Swan	s.swan@ladyj.kent.sch.uk
Inclusion Lead	Mrs Weiss	k.weiss@ladyj.kent.sch.uk
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Pastoral Support Mentor	Mrs Read	j.read@ladyj.kent.sch.uk
Absences- appointments/ illness:	Office Team	absence@ladyj.kent.sch.uk
Clubs	Mrs Baron	clubs@ladyj.kent.sch.uk
Reception	Mrs Baron	reception@ladyj.kent.sch.uk
Thrive	Mrs Godden	thrive@ladyj.kent.sch.uk

TERM DATES

If you would like to subscribe to updates for the school calendar, please visit our website at [Calendar Lady Joanna Thornhill Endowed Primary School](https://www.ladyjoannathornhill.co.uk) and click on the 'Subscribe to this Calendar' button.

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TERM DATES 2026 – 2027

Tuesday 1 st September 2026	START OF TERM 1
Friday 16 th October 2026	END OF TERM 1
Monday 19 th October 2026	Staff Development Day 1
Tuesday 20 th October 2026	Staff Development Day 2
Wednesday 21 st October 2026	Staff Development Day 3
Thursday 22 nd October 2026	Staff Development Day 4
Friday 23 rd October 2026	Staff Development Day 5
Monday 2 nd November 2026	START OF TERM 2
Friday 18 th December 2026	END OF TERM 2
Monday 4 th January 2027	START OF TERM 3
Friday 12 th February 2027	END OF TERM 3
Monday 22 nd February 2027	START OF TERM 4
Thursday 25 th March 2027	END OF TERM 4
Monday 12 th April 2027	START OF TERM 5
Monday 3 rd May 2027	MAY DAY BANK HOLIDAY
Friday 28 th May 2027	END OF TERM 5
Monday 7 th June 2027	START OF TERM 6
Wednesday 21 st July 2027	END OF TERM 6

TERM DATES

2025 - 2026

START OF TERM 1	Monday 1 st September 2025
END OF TERM 1	Friday 17 th October 2025
Staff Development Day 1	Monday 27 th October 2025
Staff Development Day 2	Tuesday 28 th October 2025
Staff Development Day 3	Wednesday 29 th October 2025
Staff Development Day 4	Thursday 30 th October 2025
Staff Development Day 5	Friday 31 st October 2025
START OF TERM 2	Monday 3 rd November 2025
END OF TERM 2	Friday 19 th December 2025
START OF TERM 3	Monday 5 th January 2026
END OF TERM 3	Friday 13 th February 2026
START OF TERM 4	Monday 23 rd February 2026
END OF TERM 4	Thursday 2 nd April 2026
START OF TERM 5	Monday 20 th April 2026
MAY DAY BANK HOLIDAY	Monday 4 th May 2026
END OF TERM 5	Friday 22 nd May 2026
START OF TERM 6	Monday 1 st June 2026
END OF TERM 6	Tuesday 21 st July 2026