



Lympe Church of England Primary School Newsletter

Friday 11th September 2026

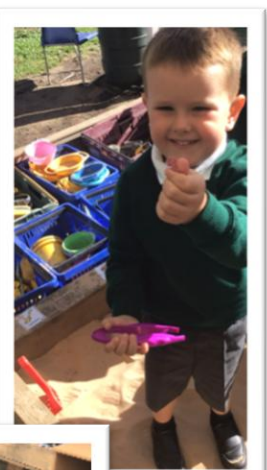


Let Your Light Shine

Friendship, Respect, Courage, Resilience

Dear Parents and Carers

We have been delighted to welcome the children back after the summer holiday and a special welcome to our new pupils and families; we are so pleased to have you with us! The children have settled happily into their new classes and are working hard and engaging enthusiastically in their learning and play. We look forward to another great school year ahead.



**LET YOUR LIGHT
SHINE** award

Well done to this week's winners:

Shining Light	Spotted by	For
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Sebastien in Sycamore Class	Mrs Moulin	Settling to his work straight away and really trying his best
Finlay in Elm Class	Mrs Everitt	Showing kindness and compassion, taking time to check in with a teacher and ask how they were, making them feel valued and cared for

Well done to this week's attendance champions:

Willow	Maple	Cherry	Beech	Sycamore	Oak	Elm
100%	98.1%	99.5%	99.1%	99.1%	100%	96.9%

Attendance Reminder

As we begin the school year, just a reminder that the The School Attendance (Pupil Registration) (England) Regulations 2024 and the school's Attendance Policy do not permit Headteachers to authorise leave of absence for the purpose of a family holiday during term time. Leave of absence may only be authorised where an application is made in advance and the Headteacher is satisfied that exceptional circumstances apply. As family holidays would not normally be considered exceptional circumstances, requests for leave during term time are unlikely to be authorised. Thank you for your support in helping us to maintain our high levels of attendance.

Come and Join Us!

We love welcoming our families into school throughout the year and I am very pleased to let you know the dates for our class assemblies and open lessons this year (also available on the school website calendar):

Class Assemblies 9am	
Willow Class	2 nd July 2027
Maple Class	11 th June 2027
Cherry Class	21 st May 2027
Beech Class	19 th March
Sycamore Class	5 th February 2027
Oak Class	27 th November 2026
Elm Class	16 th October 2026

Open Lessons 2pm-3pm	
Willow Class	4 th May 2027
Maple Class	18 th March 2027
Cherry Class	27 th May 2027
Beech Class	12 th January 2027
Sycamore Class	22 nd June 2027
Oak Class	10 th June 2027
Elm Class	13 th July 2027

Census Day – Thursday 1st October

Census Day is an important day for our school as the number of school lunches taken on this day determines our funding for the following year. There will be a special menu and we would really appreciate your support in booking a school lunch on this day if possible. Thank you!



Expanded Free School Meal Eligibility and the Pupil Premium

Your child may newly qualify for free school meals and we really encourage you to register for them.

From September 2026, all pupils in households receiving Universal Credit are eligible for free school meals. Your household income doesn't matter – as long as you receive Universal Credit, your child can claim free school meals. We strongly encourage you to check if you're eligible under the new criteria.

You will have received a letter with full details earlier this week and please don't hesitate to get in touch if you have any queries.

FOLS (Friends of Lymپne School)

We are very fortunate to have a dedicated team of volunteers who work very hard to provide a great range of fundraising opportunities which really make a difference to our school. FOLS are on the lookout for new volunteers so please do get in touch if you can help at all via FOLS@lympne.kent.sch.uk They are also on the lookout for a volunteer to oversee our Summer Fair with full training and support provided.

Uniform

The children have returned to school looking very smart. I'm pleased to let you know the **FOLS second hand uniform** boxes will be available on a permanent basis in the school foyer from today. The charge is £1 per item, paid either via the QR code or in cash. Any donations of items children have grown out of are very welcome and there is a separate collection box for these in the foyer.

Name Labels

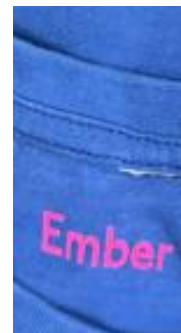
Please remember to ensure all items of clothing are labelled so they can be returned to their owners!



One of our pupils, Ember in Sycamore Class, has been very enterprising and is able to offer a name label service, with 50p from every purchase being donated to the school:

Iron on name labels - £5:50 each (25 iron-on names)

Two water bottle names can be added for an additional 50p



To order please WhatsApp 07817313163 or email shogben247121@gmail.com the following information and Ember's mum will then send payment details over:

1. Name to be printed
2. Full Address for delivery 2nd class (can be collected)
3. Chosen school for the donation
4. Chosen colour (see photo, fluorescent pink, yellow, orange and green also available)



Thank you for your support and well done Ember!

Nut-Free School

We are a **nut-free school**. To help keep all our children safe, please do not send any items containing nuts in lunchboxes or as snacks. This includes products that contain nuts as ingredients, as well as nut-based spreads and snacks. We appreciate your support and cooperation in helping us provide a safe environment for all members of our school community.



Parking Reminder

- ✓ Blue Badge holders only to park in the disabled bay at the front of the school
- ✓ Please use the school driveway for quick drop-offs and pick-ups only
- ✓ Please allow those with limited mobility priority access to the few remaining spaces and park outside the school driveway wherever possible



Contacting the School Office

When emailing the school office, please use the office@lympne.kent.sch.uk email address, which is monitored throughout the day, rather than the Arbor inbox.

Calendar – September 2026

For our new families:

- You can find instructions on how to add dates to your calendar on our [website](#)
- We will let you know the day before if your child is due to receive a certificate in Celebration Worship but everyone is welcome to join us (Willow Class will be starting in a few weeks)

14	15	16	17	18
Year 4 Forest School			Year 3 Forest School	Celebration Worship at 2:40 - all welcome
21	22	23	24	25
3:30 Monster Phonics information session for Willow Class parents and carers	Shepway Girls vs Christchurch (away)			Herald Cup Boys vs Saltwood (away)
Year 2 Forest School				Celebration Worship at 2:40 - all welcome

Very well done to our Year 6 pupils who showed such courage and resilience when sitting the Kent Test this week. We wish you all the best for the Shepway Test on Saturday, hopefully followed by a nice treat!

Wishing you a good weekend and thank you for all your support this week. Please don't hesitate to continue to get in touch whenever needed.

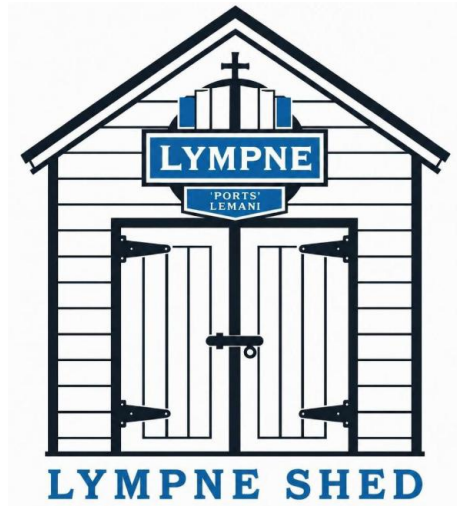
Kind regards

Melanie Nash
Headteacher



Parents, carers and loved ones can find support and answers to common questions on the [Kent Family website](#). It brings together trusted information and advice for families before and after birth, through childhood and up to age 19

Lympne Village Newsletter



Lympne Village - Have Your Say

Our mission is to try to repair and keep treasured or useful items working by offering no or low cost repairs from our shed (parts will need to be purchased by the owner of the items - we can help identify the correct parts), using practical skills and careful attention to get everyday items working again. We support the parish through hands-on work and shared problem-solving that helps create a space to talk, drink tea and provide a useful service to our local community. We also strengthen the wider village by keeping support local, welcoming anyone who needs help, and reducing waste by repairing rather than replacing.

However, what would suit your needs? This is a question for everyone in the parish, people who attend groups and activities at the village hall, churchgoers, plus parents of children who attend the school. Alongside repairs, would it be useful for us to consider the following:

- Home visit to 'fix small things' problems trade people wouldn't cover, e.g. spraying WD 40 on a squeaky door hinge
- Join in on community initiatives e.g. building raised flower beds in the new wellbeing garden
- Demonstrate/ teach skills for people who want to learn, e.g. how to use a drill
- Having a store and lending out equipment, e.g. pressure washer.

The lead volunteers, Robert and Mark will be in the committee room (rear of old hall) and available to carry out repairs and consultations from 10am to midday every Thursday from 17th September, until 22nd October. After that, we will assess the demand. You can also contact them via email: lympmewellbeingpartnership@gmail.com or call one of our organisers on 07376 397201



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SUNDAY 6TH SEPTEMBER

9AM

U5 & U6

Reception & Year 1

10AM

U7-15

Year 2 to Year 10

2 WEEKS

FREE

TO HAVE A TRY
(PUN INTENDED!)



FREE
INFLATABLES



FOOD



BAR



ALL WELCOME!



DEVELOP SKILLS
& CONFIDENCE



MAKE FRIENDS
FOR LIFE



BE PART OF
SOMETHING BIGGER

**A COMMUNITY CLUB FOR PLAYERS,
COACHES, PARENTS & SUPPORTERS**

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DATES:

SEPTEMBER: 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th

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AGES
11+
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DATES:

NOVEMBER: 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th

DECEMBER: 1st, 8th, 15th



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WHAT OUR MEMBERS SAY

"I've made lots of good friends in CCS Youth Choir. I feel really proud when I'm on stage singing with the orchestra."

"Singing in the youth choir makes me feel proud. I love having the opportunity to sing in Canterbury Cathedral, which many other people never get to do. I feel privileged to work with a great conductor."

"Not only do you get to sing you also have an amazing experience singing in front of hundreds of people in Canterbury Cathedral and other amazing places - come and sing your heart out at CCS Youth Choir."

WHAT OUR PARENTS SAY

"We have always been astonished at the accomplishments of this young choir, which are a result of Richard Cooke's belief in their potential and expectation of the highest standards."

"We are proud of the choir's achievements and appreciative of all the expert training and time invested on behalf of the young people."

**Join us
Rehearsals
Tuesdays 17:30-19:00**

Contact us on yc@canterburychoral.co.uk
to register your interest

