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Weekly Bulletin – 3rd September 2026

School Year Term Dates 2025 – 2026	
TERM 1	1 ST SEPTEMBER 2026 – 23 RD OCTOBER 2026 (INSET DAY 1 ST SEPTEMBER 2026)
TERM 2	2 ND NOVEMBER 2026 - 18 TH DECEMBER 2026
TERM 3	4 TH JANUARY 2027 – 12 TH FEBRUARY 2027 (INSET DAY – 4 TH JANUARY 2027)
TERM 4	22 ND FEBRUARY 2027 - 25 TH MARCH 2027
TERM 5	12 TH APRIL 2027 – 28 TH MAY 2027
TERM 6	7 TH JUNE 2027 – 21 ST JULY 2027 (INSET DAYS – 18 TH JUNE, 21 ST JUNE & 9 TH JULY 2027)
School Events	
04.09.2026	Forest School Opening – See Poster Below
07.09.2026	Year 6 – Residential Meeting at 3.20pm
22.09.2026	Macmillan Cake Sale
23.09.2026	Year 6 – Residential Trip
09.10.2026	Harvest Festival
13.10.2026	Flu Vaccinations
w/c 19.10.2026	Book Fair
20.10.2026	Parents Evening – Further Info to Follow
22.10.2026	Parents Evening – Further Info to Follow
23.10.2026	LAST DAY OF TERM
05.11.2026	Individual and Sibling Photo's
28.11.2026	Lenham Lights - Choir

The price of school meals has increased for 2026-2027 academic year to £3.10



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You're Invited!

As so many members of our community have played a part in supporting and championing this project, we felt it was only fitting to mark this special achievement with an official opening ceremony.

We are delighted to invite you to join us for the

ribbon-cutting ceremony

of Lenham Primary School's new Forest School on

Friday 4th September
at 2:50pm

EXPLORE
LEARN
GROW
THRIVE

This exciting new outdoor learning space will provide our children with wonderful opportunities to learn, explore and connect with nature, and we would love for you to help us celebrate its opening.

We look forward to welcoming you and thanking you for your support in making this project a reality.

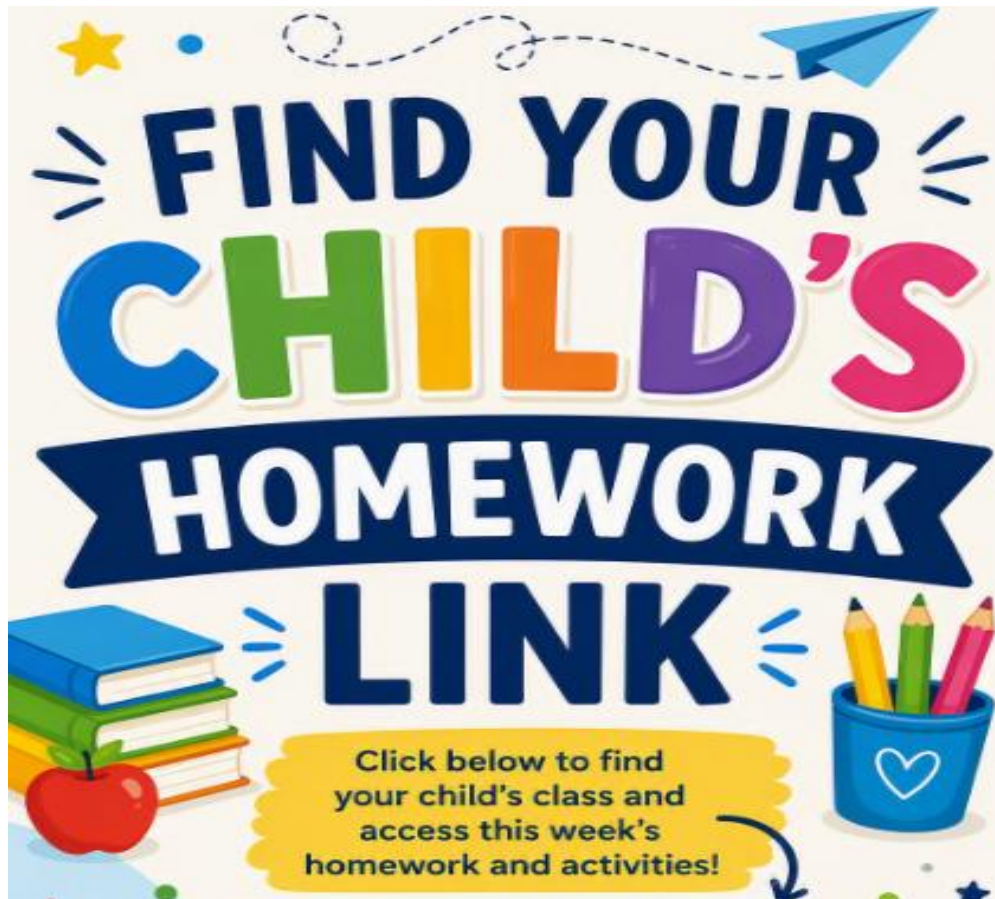
We hope you can join us for this special occasion. ♥

CONNECT WITH NATURE



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From Next week



<https://lenham.kent.sch.uk/our-classes/year-6/> - (YEAR 6)

<https://lenham.kent.sch.uk/our-classes/year-5/> - (YEAR 5)

<https://lenham.kent.sch.uk/our-classes/year-4/> - (YEAR 4)

<https://lenham.kent.sch.uk/our-classes/year-3/> - (YEAR 3)

<https://lenham.kent.sch.uk/our-classes/year-2/> - (YEAR 2)

<https://lenham.kent.sch.uk/our-classes/year-1/> - (YEAR 1)

<https://lenham.kent.sch.uk/our-classes/year-r/> - (YEAR R)

TAKE PRIDE; BE PROUD

We are proud of a friendly environment that promotes the PRIDE values inspired by the Olympic legacy, where everyone takes pride and is proud of their achievements



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EVERY DAY COUNTS

*Being in school every day helps
your child to learn, achieve and thrive.*



Good attendance helps your child succeed – at school and in life.

GOOD ATTENDANCE = BETTER OUTCOMES

- ★ Children with good attendance achieve better academically.
- 👥 They build stronger friendships and feel more included.
- 💡 They develop confidence, resilience and important life skills.
- 📖 They have more opportunities for their future.

THE GOVERNMENT EXPECTATION:

95%

Your child should be
in school 95% of
the time.

**That's no more than 9 days absence
in a school year.**

Did you know?

90% attendance might sound good,
but it actually means missing 19 days
of school – that's almost 4 weeks
of lost learning!



HOLIDAY REQUESTS WILL NOT BE AUTHORISED

Taking your child out of school for a holiday
can have a big impact on their learning.

You are likely to receive
a fine if you take your child
out of school for a holiday.



There is no entitlement to time off in term time.

CONTACT THE SCHOOL IF YOUR CHILD IS ABSENT



It's important to let us know
as soon as possible.

**Call the school office – open from 8am
to report your child's absence.**

Good communication helps keep
your child safe and supported.



TOGETHER, WE CAN MAKE EVERY DAY COUNT

Good attendance today
leads to a brighter tomorrow.
Let's give your child
the best start in life.



THE IMPACT OF ABSENCE

Missing school adds up:



98% attendance
= 4 days absence
a year

Excellent – your child is
making the most of their
education.



95% attendance
= 9 days absence
a year

This is the government
expectation.



90% attendance
= 19 days absence
a year

Poor attendance –
your child is missing
valuable learning.



80% attendance
= 38 days absence
a year

Very poor attendance –
harder to catch up and
reach their potential.



BE IN SCHOOL. BE ON TIME. BE READY TO LEARN.

Every day. Every lesson. Every opportunity.



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LOOKING AFTER OUR SCHOOL COMMUNITY

⇒ Your safety is important to us ⇒



We are proud to have life-saving equipment in school to help **keep our pupils, staff and visitors safe.**

ALL OF THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE KEPT IN THE SCHOOL OFFICE



DEFIBRILLATOR

Kindly provided
by our PTA

Our defibrillator is kept
in the school office.

It can be used in an
emergency if someone
is unresponsive and
not breathing normally.



Early use of a defibrillator
can make a vital difference
and save a life.



EMERGENCY ADRENALINE BOX

In response to
Benedict's Law

We have an emergency
adrenaline box with
adrenaline pens in
the school office.

This is for use in
severe allergic
reactions.



Quick access to adrenaline
can be lifesaving in the
event of a severe allergy.



LIFEVAC KIT

Invested in through
the Oliver Steeper
Foundation

We have a LifeVac kit
in the school office.

LifeVac is a choking
rescue device
designed to help
clear airway
obstructions in
an emergency.
It is easy to use
and could save a life.



Preparedness helps us act
quickly and confidently in
a choking emergency.



Having the right equipment, ready and close by,
helps us to be prepared and give the best possible
chance of a positive outcome in an emergency.



Thank you to our PTA and partners for helping to support the health and safety of our school community.



Take **PRIDE**: Be Proud



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For the safety and wellbeing of all our children 

DUE TO ALLERGIES
— we are a —
NUT FREE
AND
NON COOKED EGG
SCHOOL



NO NUTS 

This includes all nuts and products containing nuts.



NO NON COOKED EGGS 

- No egg mayonnaise
- No boiled eggs

 Eggs in cakes are fine



Thank you for your support in helping us to keep all our children safe.



 Together, we can make our school a **safe and happy** place for everyone. 



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Join Our PTA!

LENHAM PRIMARY SCHOOL PTA

We would love you to join us for the first PTA meeting of the academic year!

Children Stronger Together

Plan events

Share ideas

Discuss what we are fundraising for

New faces are always welcome!

Wednesday 16th September at 2:30pm

At Lenham Primary School

Together we can make a difference for our children

Support • Fundraise • Make a Difference