



HEADCORN HEADLINES: Friday, 19 June 2026

Dear Parents and Carers

Well, it has been a week of changeable weather, but the sun has been out today and it's been a scorcher! Please remember to apply sunscreen at home before your children come to school. They may also bring in hats and sunglasses if you'd like them to but please make sure they are named.

Thank you to the PTFA for buying us the lovely rosettes for celebrating Sports Day this year!

Year 2 visited Godinton House last Wednesday. They had a great time exploring the beautiful gardens and looking at different habitats. During the pond dipping activity, children found newts and dragonfly nymphs. Some children were very lucky to have the rare sight of a dragonfly shedding its skin and emerging as an adult. A huge thank you to our parent helpers who came with us!



Thank you to everyone who supported our staff in their inflatable costume **fun run**. You raised **£512** towards future opportunities to bring **exciting visitors** into the school such as Bounce Beyond, Junk Orchestra (see below) Wild Cooking, Portals to the Past for the benefit of our children. Well done to Jack Keeler MBE for raising **£605** by completing the **Rotary North Downs 9 Mile Walk** last weekend. The money will be shared between **Pilgrim's Hospice and the PTFA**. It's not too late to donate via this link: <https://www.gofundme.com/f/vw83nd-jacks-north-downs-walk>

Thank you to all those who have voted for the new **Parent Governor post** already. There are four candidates: Mr Simone Conti, Mrs Holly Flann, Mr Alex Lakes and Mrs Samantha Perez-Lumbreras. You can vote via this link <https://forms.gle/vQMkGh1kv4dUTsTq6> or we have paper copies available at the school office. Voting closes at **9am on Tuesday 30th June 2026**.



Well done to our **boys' and girls' football teams** who took part in all day competitions held at Greenfields school on Wednesday and Thursday this week. We are very proud of both teams and all children who represented the school beautifully. A **big thank you to Mr Peters** for leading these teams not just on the day but through all of the many after school club sessions – it is much appreciated. See below for the full sports report.



Next week we are looking forward to lot of musical fun especially as it is **World Music Day** on Tuesday! At the start of the week we will be enjoying a two day visit from the **Junk Orchestra**. The classes will be making music from some really exciting instruments made from recycled items such as pipes and flipflops! A big thank you to the **PTFA** who have funded this from the money raised at the May Fair! We will also be enjoying the dress rehearsal for the Year 6 Leavers' Production of a bespoke version of the The Greatest Showman!

Have a lovely weekend!
Miss Symonds

Dates for your Diary:

Friday 26th June: Year 6 Leavers' Production

Thursday 2nd July: Whole School Transition Day

Thursday 2nd July: Meet the NEW Teacher 3.15 – 4pm

Thursday 9th July: YR and Y1 School Trips

15th – 17th July: Year 6 Residential

Monday 20th July: Non-uniform Disco Day!

(YR Disco 1.30pm, Y1&2 Disco 2.15pm,

Y3 Disco & 4 3.30-4.30pm, Y5&6 Disco 5-6pm)

Tuesday 21st July: Year 6 Leavers' Assembly @ 2pm

Tuesday 21st July: End of Term 6 / End of Academic Year

Assemblies

Next week's assembly theme is **The Power of Music**.

To celebrate, all children will be taking part in **Junk Orchestra** workshops throughout the week, generously funded by our **PTFA**.

The week will culminate in our **Year 6 end-of-year performance** on Friday evening, and we will all have the opportunity to enjoy parts of their dress rehearsals during the week. We are looking forward to a fantastic week of music, creativity and celebration.



Music of the week



As part of Music Week, we will also be playing a variety of music around the school throughout the week, giving everyone the opportunity to listen to and enjoy different styles, genres and cultures of music.

Girl's Summer Football Tournament

A tough day for the Headcorn Girls team at Greenfields Community School on Wednesday 17th June.

The team were placed in Group B alongside five other teams from the Maidstone area, with plenty of football on offer throughout the day.

Headcorn kicked off their campaign with a goalless draw against tournament hosts Greenfields, before a 0-3 defeat to Allington, who eventually topped the group. Narrow 0-1 losses to West Borough, Boughton Monchelsea and Tiger School were tough to take given the effort the girls put in, and a final 0-0 draw rounded off the results, leaving Headcorn bottom of the table.

Not the results we wanted, but football can be a tough teacher.



Well done to all the girls who took part, and who have given their all this season across both the league and tournaments. For those moving on to secondary school, we hope you continue your football journey for years to come.

Finally, a massive thank you to all the parents, grandparents and carers who supported the team in fine voice throughout the day — we couldn't do it without you.

Headcorn Storm Through Group D Unbeaten Before Falling Short in Thrilling Semi-Final and Playoff

Greenfields Community School • Thursday 18th June

Headcorn Primary arrived at Greenfields Community School on Thursday with one aim: to make a statement in this year's tournament. By the time the dust had settled, they had done exactly that — topping a tough Group D without losing a single game, before falling agonisingly short in the closing stages of the competition.

Group D: The Group Stage

Headcorn's tournament began with a goalless draw against Boughton Monchelsea, though the scoreline didn't tell the full story. Headcorn struck the post in a frustrating first outing, while at the other end their goalkeeper produced a string of fine saves to keep the sheet clean, the two sides eventually cancelling each other out in a tight opening contest.

Normal service was resumed in the very next match, as Headcorn brushed aside Brunswick House 3-0. Jenson Rowland and Harley Scott were both on the scoresheet, with Mason Boakes also getting his name on the board as Headcorn began to find their rhythm.

The standout performance of the group stage came against Senacre, in a game that showcased Headcorn's attacking threat in full flow. Harley Scott bagged a brace and Jenson Rowland added a third as Headcorn raced into a commanding lead, though Senacre did find a way through at the other end to register a consolation goal of their own, with the match finishing 3-1 to Headcorn.



Headcorn saved their most ruthless display for their final group fixture, demolishing Coxheath 5-0. Scott Aslett was the headline act with four goals, a real poacher's performance, while Jenson Rowland chipped in with another to round off a perfect group campaign – won, drawn, and never beaten.

The Knockout Stage: Quarter-Final

Into the knockouts, and Headcorn faced St Katherine's in a tense, tight quarter-final. With the game delicately poised, it was Harley Scott – the tournament's standout marksman – who stepped up once again to settle it, his solitary strike sending Headcorn through 1-0 and into the last four.

Semi-Final: Journey Halted by Allington

The semi-final brought Allington, and ultimately proved a bridge too far. A tight, hard-fought contest swung on a single goal, with Allington edging it 1-0 to end Headcorn's hopes of a final appearance and send them into the third/fourth place playoff.

Third/Fourth Place Playoff: Narrow Defeat to Greenfields

Playing in front of their home crowd, hosts Greenfields proved to be the difference on the day, edging out Headcorn 2-1 in a closely contested battle for the bronze medal spot. A spirited Headcorn performance wasn't quite enough to deny the home side, leaving Headcorn to settle for fourth place in the final standings.

The Final: Allington's Run Ends on Penalties

Headcorn's semi-final conquerors Allington went on to reach the final itself, where they came up against St John's. After the two sides couldn't be separated, the contest went all the way to penalties, with St John's eventually prevailing to be crowned tournament champions.

Tournament Verdict

This was a campaign built on a sharp attacking edge – backed up by some excellent goalkeeping when called upon – that only really faltered in the latter stages against tough opposition. Harley Scott and Scott Aslett share the Headcorn Golden Boot with four goals apiece across the tournament, with Jenson Rowland not far behind on three. A fourth-place finish, against the side that ultimately reached the final, is no disgrace – it's a platform to build on heading into next season.



Next Week's Curriculum Overview



Year R Cheetah & Leopard Classes: Next Week's Curricular Focus

Maths: Discussing times of the day and making o'clock and half past times.

Literacy: There's an Ouch in my Pouch by Jeanne Willis (Drawing Club).

Topic: Life in different parts of the world.

RWI Links

Miss Schofield – [ire](#), [ph](#)

Mrs Brennan – [e](#), [ph](#), [kn](#)

Miss Harman-[Word Challenge Lesson 7](#)

Miss Arthur/Mr Allen- [e](#), [ph](#), [kn](#)

Mrs Maher - [a-e](#), [i-e](#), [o-e](#)

Mrs Goodwin/Miss Hayes – [oi](#), [a-e](#), [i-e](#)

[Set 1 Special Friends](#)

[Set 2 Special Friends](#)

[Set 2 Special Friends \(2\)](#)

[Set 3 Split Digraphs](#)

PE Day: Wednesdays

 	<u>Year 1 Tiger & Lynx Classes: Next Week's Curriculum Focus</u> In handwriting this week, we will continue to focus on hill to top sponge letter formation. Please click on the letters to open the video link bl. Your support in encouraging your child to watch the video and practise their letter formation at home. Maths: We will begin our unit on money. We will think about each coin, what they look like and how much they are worth. English: We will look at how the author uses verbs and adverbs to help us understand more about the characters personality and feelings. Science: We will begin our topic on Animal Parts. We will identify animal body parts, thinking about similarities and differences between them and discussing their function. RWI Links Miss Schofield – ire, ph Mrs Brennan – e, ph, kn Miss Harman-Word Challenge Lesson 7 Miss Arthur/Mr Allen- e, ph, kn Mrs Maher - a-e, i-e, o-e Mrs Goodwin/Miss Hayes – oi, a-e, i-e PE Days: Tuesdays & Fridays / Book Change: Tuesday and Fridays / Arithmetic All-Stars: Wednesdays
 	<u>Year 2 Puma & Panther Classes: Next Week's Curriculum</u> English: We are creating comic strips next weekend and focussing on dialogue. Maths: We are learning about tally charts in our new unit focussing on statistics. Other: We will be learning about the present day Royal Family in history. RWI Links PE Days: Mondays & Thursdays / Book Change: Fridays / Arithmetic All-Stars: Fridays
 	<u>Year 3 Jaguar & Pallas Cat Classes: Next Week's Curriculum Focus</u> Maths: We will be looking at the difference between horizontal and vertical lines. English: We are writing a diary of a rich and poor Roman citizen. Other: In Music we are learning a Kenyan song. In RE we are continuing to learn about why the Bible is important to Christians. In RSE we will be understanding and respecting the changes that we see in themselves. PE Days: Monday:Outdoor and Wednesday:Swimming / Book Change: Thursdays / Spellings, Times Tables & Arithmetic All-Stars: Mondays (Y3A) & Thursdays (Y3B) / Ongoing challenges on Sum Dog & TT Rockstars close on Sundays
 	<u>Year 4 Jungle Cat & Cougar Classes: Next Week's Curriculum Focus</u> Maths: We will be continuing with our unit on shape looking at triangles, quadrilaterals and polygons. English: We will honing in on our persuasive techniques, debating whether or not Leon should enter the magician's box. DT: In the coming weeks, we will be designing and making our own machines to solve problems encountered by the ancient Egyptians. Please could you find at home any of the following items and bring them in; bottles, bottle caps, small cardboard boxes, large pieces of thick card, wire coat hangers, cotton reels. We will use them to make prototypes and then the final products demonstrating different types of mechanisms. PSHE: Next week we will be looking at 'Girls and Puberty'. We will all be learning the same thing as it is important to know the science behind what is happening to both sexes. There will then be opportunities for the children to ask questions in single sex groups. We will be learning about how the body changes during puberty. We will also be discussing strategies to help you cope with physical and emotional changes during this time.

	PE Days: Monday & Thursday: Swimming / Book Change: Mondays and Fridays (Reading Records checked on Fridays) / Spellings, Times Tables & Arithmetic All-Stars: Fridays
 	Year 5 Caracal & Snow Leopard Classes: Next Week's Curriculum Focus Maths: We will be continuing our work on decimals, including learning how to multiply and divide by 10, 100 and 1,000. English: In English, we will be following Odysseus on his journey home. But will anyone, including his wife, recognise him? DT: Using what we know about Greek architecture, we will begin designing our own Greek temples. We will soon be asking for junk modelling materials to help us build them, so don't be too quick to put your recycling out! PE Days: Tuesday & Friday:Swimming / Book Change: any day but Reading Records in on Tuesdays & Fridays / Spelling Tests & Arithmetic All-Stars: Fridays
 	Year 6 Lion & Ocelot Classes: Next Week's Curriculum Focus History: In our next lesson, we learn about the Battle of Britain and why it was a significant moment in the Second World War. Science: We will be continuing our Light Theory unit but understanding how we see and how light reacts to different objects DT: We will be deconstructing clothing by taking different items apart. Please could you send in some old, unwanted clothes for us to investigate! Please remember that we have dress rehearsals to the school on Thursday and Friday morning so if they are not already, we need costumes in by Monday please! PE Days: Monday & Friday:Swimming / Book Change: any day that is needed / Arithmetic All-Stars & Sumdog Tasks: Wednesdays / Homework due in on Fridays