



HEADCORN HEADLINES: Friday, 26 June 2026

Dear Parents and Carers

I hope you are all well and not suffering in this heatwave! Thank you to everyone for their support and understanding as we have navigated this week's weather. It is much appreciated.



Monday and Tuesday of this week we celebrated our International Music Day with workshops from the visiting Junk Orchestra generously funded by our PTFA. Then to round off the week we were due to enjoy our Year 6 Leavers' Production of The Greatest Showman

but unfortunately due to the extreme heat this has had to be postponed. We look forward to celebrating all of the hard work of Year 6 and their staff very soon!



Next week we look forward to our **Whole School Transition Day** on **Thursday 2nd July**! This is a day when all children move up to their new classrooms and class teachers accompanied by their current TAs. They will experience a day in the life of their new year group from Drop Off to Collection including lunch time as well as learning time. There will then be an opportunity for the children to bring in their parents to **Meet the New Teacher** straight after school too! More information about these events, and who is your child's new class teacher, will be sent out soon.

We also wish Year 6 all the best as they embark on their own Transition Days to their new schools! Good luck!

A gentle reminder that the vote closes at **9am on Tuesday 30th June 2026** for the new **Parent Governor post**. You can vote via this link <https://forms.gle/vQMkGh1kv4dUTsTq6> or we have paper copies available at the school office.



Have a lovely weekend!
Miss Symonds

Dates for your Diary:

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

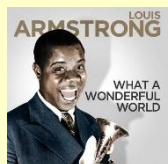
Assemblies

Next week, our theme will be **Transition – Coping with Change**. As we come towards the end of the school year, there are lots of exciting changes ahead. Our Year 6 children will be visiting their new secondary schools, and many of us will be meeting our new teachers and adults for September.

Change can feel exciting, but it can also make us feel nervous or unsure, and that is completely normal. Throughout the week, we will be thinking about ways to manage these feelings, build our confidence, and help ourselves to feel ready for the next step in our learning journey



Music of the week



Mr Allen's choice...

Louis Armstrong - What A Wonderful World



Hot Weather, Hot Topic — Is Your Child Using AI?

Did you know that 3 in 4 pupils now use generative AI tools like ChatGPT? That's up from just 2 in 5 last year. While these tools can be great for learning, they come with risks every parent should know about. This can range from inaccurate information and inappropriate content to privacy concerns and children using AI to do their homework for them.

This summer, it's worth having a quick chat with your child about when it's okay to use AI, what information they should never share with it, and reminding them that it doesn't always get things right.

We've attached the full **Generative AI Safety guide** from WakeUpWednesday to this newsletter — it's a brilliant one-page read and well worth a look.

Stay safe, online and in the sunshine! ☀️

Hedcorn Flower Festival, St Peter & St Paul's Church

Saturday 27th June 10:00am - 5:00pm and Sunday 28th June 12:00 - 5:00pm.

A celebration of flowers, creativity and community in our beautiful Church. With more than 30 floral displays, one of which has been created by the clever children at Headcorn Primary School. Refreshments served all day. There's even something to keep younger visitors occupied whilst walking round. Free entry

Next Week's Curriculum Overview



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

Maths: Exploring and naming 2D shapes.

Literacy: In Drawing Club, we will be reading 'Pizza for Pirates' written by Adam & Charlotte Guillian.

Topic: Foods from around the world. We will be making our own pizzas!

PE Day: Wednesdays



Year 1 Tiger & Lynx Classes: Next Week's Curriculum Focus

Handwriting: We will continue to focus on hill to top sponge letter formation. Please click on the letters to open the video link [kit](#). Your support in encouraging your child to watch the video and practise their letter formation at home.

Maths: We will learn our days of the week and month of the year. We will consider which months of the year fall in Spring, Summer, Autumn and Winter. We will think about the months that are important to us, thinking about birthdays and other special celebrations.

English: We will be writing a non-chronological report about bluebirds. We will write about their habitats, species, diet and reproduction.

DT: We will begin our unit by investigating sources of food. We will investigate different foods and groups them according to whether they come from plants or animals.

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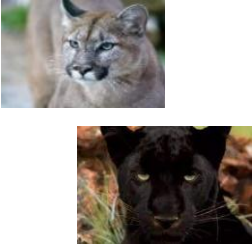
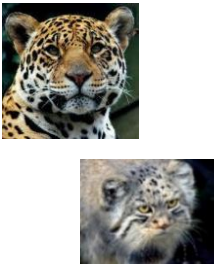
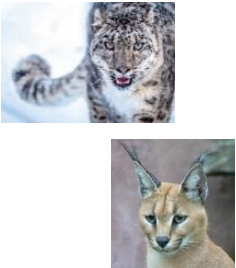
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PE Days: Tuesdays & Fridays / Book Change: Tuesday and Fridays / Arithmetic All-Stars: Wednesdays

	<u>Year 2 Puma & Panther Classes: Next Week's Curriculum</u> Maths: Completing our unit on statistics. English: Continuing to complete writing around our class text. Other: We are learning to play songs on the ocarinas. Reminder: Please ensure that your child has a named water bottle in school. RWI Links Miss Schofield – ue, e Mrs Brennan – tious /cious, wh Miss Harman-Word Challenge Lesson 8 Miss Arthur/Mr Allen- tious /cious, wh Mrs Maher - u-e, aw, are Mrs Goodwin/Miss Hayes – u-e, aw, are 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 reviewing our mathematical learning of Year 3 so far. English: We will be practising our reading and comprehension skills and reviewing our SPAG year 3 skills that we have covered this year. Other: In History we will be learning about the 'Romanisation' of Britain, including the impact of technology, culture and beliefs. In RSE this week we will be identifying how boys' and girls' bodies change on the outside during the growing up process. 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> English: We will be planning our DASH (Description, Action, Speech, How the character is feeling) stories! A short narrative text. Maths: We will be continuing our shape unit, focussing on lines of symmetry. PSHE: We will be looking and circles of change and how we cope with different changes in our lives whether it be in our family or at school. PE Days: Monday & Thursday: Swimming / Book Change: Mondays and Fridays (Reading Records checked on Fridays) / Spellings, Times Tables & Arithmetic All-Stars: Fridays
	<u>Year 5 Caracal & Snow Leopard Classes: Next Week's Curriculum Focus</u> Maths: We will be starting our new topic on negative numbers, exploring number sequences and learning how to count forwards and backwards through zero. English: Our study of <i>Odysseus</i> is coming to an exciting conclusion. How might newspapers report on this dramatic ending? As reporters, we will be writing newspaper articles to tell the story. DT: We will be designing our own Greek temples. Any junk-modelling materials would be greatly appreciated, particularly cardboard, cardboard tubes, and corrugated card ready for the following week for building. PSHE: Learning Intentions: • I understand that sexual intercourse can lead to conception and that this is how babies are usually made. • I understand that some people may need support from doctors to help them have a baby. 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

Wishing all our Year 6s a great transition week at their secondary schools – We look forward to having you back.

When not at secondary schools, the rest of us will be taking part in fun projects throughout the week.

PE Days: Monday & Friday:Swimming / Book Change: any day that is needed / Arithmetic All-Stars & Sumdog Tasks: Wednesdays / Homework due in on Fridays