

The Endowed

Newsletter



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HELLO



Dear Families and Friends of The Endowed,

I was so pleased that everyone seemed to enjoy our first **Fun Friday** last week and fully embraced the **Cosy Day** theme. The fact it was a freezing cold and wet day made the idea of wearing something snuggly all the more appealing.

We hope everyone enjoyed their hot chocolate today!

Have a lovely weekend.

Kind regards,

Ellen Taylor

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YEAR 3 WHITSTABLE MUSEUM



On Wednesday Year 3 went on a local trip to The Whitstable Museum. We were met with their fabulous expertise all about local shipwrecks and trading routes. This term we are reading *The Wreck of The Zanzibar* so we then drew our own yawl ship and spent time learning about how dangerous life was at sea in 1906. Thank you to the museum for a wonderful experience!

Mrs Blinston Jones and Miss Chapman
Year 3 Class Teachers

DRACO CLASS ART COMPETITION



In Draco Class, Caleb, Tom, Henry and Alfie created an Art Competition. They organised and ran the whole thing and decided on each category. They decided the overall winner was Aaron with his creative drawing, but each child got a prize. Well done to all the children that entered!

SPARKING JOY!



In Aquila class, we had lots of fun testing out different electrical circuits. We worked together to see whether each circuit was complete or incomplete, experimenting with wires, bulbs, and batteries to discover how electricity flows and what makes a circuit work.

Mrs Usher

FUN FRIDAYS

HOT CHOCOLATE DAY



Spreading a little joy with Fun Friday this week, we have kept with the warm and cosy theme of last week and today children enjoyed a hug-in-a-mug with a delicious warming cup of hot chocolate in a special cup or mug they had bought in from home. We hope they enjoyed their special treat. Keep an eye on your *My Child at School* announcements/notifications for what we will be doing for Fun Friday next week.

TALES ON MOON LANE BOOK FAIR FUN
WHITSTABLE ENDOWED JUNIOR SCHOOL

Tuesday 3rd and Wednesday 4th February 2026

Tales on Moon Lane are delighted to be returning to The Endowed for two days of magical storytelling and book-fair fun!

We can't wait to introduce the children to exciting new releases, much-loved favourites, and fascinating non-fiction, all designed to spark curiosity, ignite imaginations, and inspire every child to read for pleasure.

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Books & Bookshop of the Year
MOON LANE

We are delighted to welcome back TALES OF MOON LANE bookshop for two special book fair days on:

TUESDAY 3 AND WEDNESDAY 4 FEBRUARY

3.20pm on the decking

They will be introducing the children to some magical stories through storytelling in class as well.



HEADTEACHER CHALLENGE



As the National Year of Reading launched this week I want you to think about reading and pick something to read this week that makes you feel happy.

You have the freedom to choose whatever you want to read - it could be a fiction book, recipe, menu, map, football programme, joke book, subtitles on TV, comic, game instructions, song lyric videos on YouTube, road signs... the list is endless as words are all around us! What will you read?



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Happy Birthday to the following children who have their birthday this week.

MONTY, QUINN & FREYDA in Pegasus Class

SCARLET in Phoenix Class

We hope you all have a lovely day!

PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Dear Lord,
Thank you for your promise to bless us and keep us safe.
We ask that you watch over us today, that your face would shine upon us, and that we would know your kindness and grace.
Please turn your face towards us, towards our families, our friends.
Fill our hearts with your peace and help us to share that peace with others.
Thank you, loving God, that you are always with us and that your blessing is for everyone.
Amen

GO ALL IN.

National Year of Reading 2026

This week the National Literary Trust launched the **NATIONAL YEAR OF READING 2026** campaign at an event held at the home of Arsenal FC.

In 2026, the National Year of Reading is reconnecting reading with the things that already inspire us – from playlists and football matches to films, food and family time. It's reading that fits how we live, not the other way around.

The campaign 'Go All In' aims to tackle the worrying decline in reading for pleasure, especially among young people which has dropped to its lowest level since 2005, with just one in three 8- to 18-year-olds saying they enjoy reading in their spare time and teenage boys affected the most – in 2025, just 25% of boys aged 8-18 said they enjoy reading, compared to 39% of girls.

Please have a look at [their website](#) to see tips on how to encourage your child to read for pleasure.



The 2nd Instalment of £104 for the Year 6 Residential trip is due today (16 January) if you could please make payment via the My Child at School app.

A polite reminder that school meals need to be booked and paid for 24 hours in advance on the My Child at School app.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

'If you change the way you look at things, the things you look at change'

Dr Wayne Dyer



SCHOOL FLO - Miss Parker

January can be a hard month after Christmas so I have come up with a list of some free things to do in and around Whitstable. Please follow these links:

- www.outwiththedog.co.uk/listing/duncan-down/
- www.outwiththedog.co.uk/listing/blean-wild-art-trail/
- www.skateparks.co.uk/kent/swalecliffe-skatepark/
- [#google_vignette](#)
- www.whitstablemuseum.org/

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DATES FOR THE DIARY

Don't forget all families are invited to come to St Alphege Church every Wednesday at 9.00am for our Collective Worship.

Friday 23 January	Fun Friday - to be announced
Tuesday 27 January	Y3 Trip to Natural History Museum
Tuesday 3 and Wednesday 4 February	Tales on Moon Lane Book Fair, School decking 3.20pm
End of Term 3	Friday 13 February 2026

LET YOUR LIGHT Shine
Matthew 5:14-16

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