

Dates

November

Monday 3rd-

KSI Open Classroom

Boys football match away @St Matthews

Tuesday 4th-

Amelia Scott visiting Bramley Class

Wednesday 5th-

Bramley, Crispin & Russet Open Classroom— 2.45pm

Friday 7th-

Open Morning for Reception 2026

Monday 10th-

Odd Socks Day

KS2 Cross Country Race

Tuesday 11th-

Remembrance Service @St Mary's Church

Thursday 13th-

Boys Football Tournament @ Tonbridge Angels

Monday 17th-

Boys football match away @Temple Grove

Tuesday 18th-

Orchestra Workshop

Empire Open Classroom—2.45pm

Netball Match @ St John's

Wednesday 19th-

Open Morning for Reception 2026

Thursday 20th-

Girls Football Tournament @Tonbridge Angels

Monday 24th-

Open Morning for Reception 2026

Friday 28th-

Crispin Cake Sale

Boys football match home vs St Augustines



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We are now one week into an 8 week term— the long road to Christmas is before us with lots of exciting things ahead. Tomorrow evening, we will be celebrating the PTA Bonfire and Fireworks which is always a fantastic event. There are a few slots still requiring volunteers so if you are able to help, please get involved.

On Monday 10th November, the village will be welcoming The Revd Rob Hindmarch and his family when he is officially installed at St Mary's Church. We all look forward to meeting him and introducing him to our school community.

Sporting events are beginning to make their way into diaries with football matches, basketball tournaments and cross-country races all booked in for the coming weeks. Before we know it, we'll be thinking about Nativity and Christmas services but for now, let's enjoy the end of Autumn and all that the coming month has in store.

Hello Yellow

On Friday 10th October, we celebrated 'Hello Yellow' day, raising money and awareness of children's mental health. Children and staff came to school wearing a hint of yellow and all together we raised £330 for the YoungMinds charity. Thank you to everyone who kindly donated.

Anti Bullying Week and Odd Socks Day

Antibullying Week begins on Monday 10th November with 'Odd Socks' day which we celebrate each year. This year's theme is 'Power for Good' and we will be running assemblies and lesson activities with this theme in mind throughout the week.

For those of you who remember Mr McCheyne (better known as Cousin Mac from Andy and The Odd Socks) who used to work as a TA at the school, we will no doubt be hearing from him and the band at some point. You can hear this year's song and find out more about the week by visiting:

www.anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk

KS2 Orchestra Workshop

On Tuesday 18th November, our fabulous orchestra will be taking part in a workshop alongside children from other primary schools across Tunbridge Wells. This will be a great opportunity for the members of the orchestra to showcase their skills and share ideas with fellow musicians.

Our orchestra meet on Wednesday mornings before school and new members are always welcome. If your child is interested in joining, do speak to their class teacher to find out more information.

I don't be-leaf it!

Mr Steibelt would like to thank the parent volunteers who turned out to help clear leaves from the grounds.

This is a big task and there are still more leaves to drop so there may be another call for help for a Monday morning stint in early November.

As always, tea, coffee and biscuits will be on offer to all who volunteer their time.



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Russet Class Victorian Day

On Tuesday 14th October, Russet took part in 'Victorian Day'; amongst the learning and playing, there were many fun moments where they experienced how strict children's lives were in those days. The children dressed up in Victorian costumes and looked fantastic.

Mr Murphy taught the children as if they were in a Victorian school: speaking the Queen's English; learning about pounds, shillings and pence in maths; experiencing the punishments that were given (fortunately these were mimed!); and writing with a quill and ink.



During the afternoon, Russet class enjoyed a range of toys and games from the Victorian era. They skipped, rode on hobby horses and played with toys such as spinning tops and kaleidoscopes.

It was a truly immersive and exciting way to experience history off the page!

Girls Football



On Thursday 30th October, our Year 6 girls football team travelled to St John's Primary School in Tunbridge Wells for their first football match of the season.

The girls began the game strongly and with Eva and Mabel at the back, it looked like St John's would have a hard time breaking through and threatening India in goal. Mae and Flo were full of running and were putting the opposition under threat at all times. Despite occasionally throwing and indeed kicking the ball in the wrong direction, Speldhurst were playing some really good stuff and the scoring was opened by Amy who finished well.

Bella came off the bench and made an immediate impact with her powerful tackling and ability to move the ball forward. She added a second goal before the half time break meaning it looked comfortable for Speldhurst.

Bella added a third soon after the restart and Speldhurst were cruising. However, football can change quickly, and St John's scored a quickfire double to make it 3-2 and the tension rose. Thanks to some great clearances from Flossie in goal, Speldhurst hung on to claim victory!

School Voluntary Fund

Our school voluntary fund is open for anyone who wishes to make a donation to support all the fabulous work going on at our school. We are so grateful for all the donations we have received so far— all donations, of any amount, are very welcomed. Please visit <https://cafdonate.cafonline.org/28587> to make a donation, or follow the link on the school website.