



PRIORY FIELDS
SCHOOL

Newsletter



WHINLESS DOWN
ACADEMY TRUST

Thursday 2nd April 2026

Well done to
our term 4
cup winners!
We are very
proud of
everything
that you have
achieved this
term! Keep it
up!



KEY DATES

02.04.26 – LAST DAY OF
TERM

20.04.26 – Start of Term 5

21.04.26 – Kahlo Class Trip
to Wingham Wildlife Park

Afterschool Club will be
up and live to book from
Tuesday 7th April!

Next term clubs will be a
range of activities from
sports to cooking to
crafting!

Priory Fields Dance Team!

On Monday 9th March and Tuesday 10th March, pupils from Whinless Down Academy took part in a fantastic Primary Dance Festival. The children from Priory Fields performed an energetic routine to the song Waka Waka and truly danced their hearts out on stage.

Over the two evenings, the pupils showed great confidence, enthusiasm and teamwork as they performed in front of a large audience. Their hard work and commitment during rehearsals was clear to see, and they should all be extremely proud of their performance.

Attendance



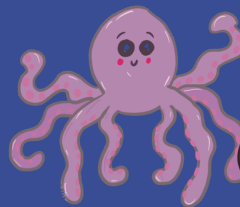
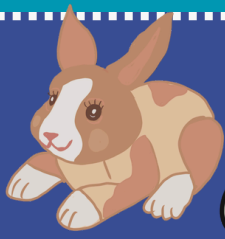
1st – Kusama – 99%



2nd – Thomas – 93 %



3rd – Bowie – 92.6%



Stuart Heritage Returns With New Book Hyperkitty!



We were delighted to welcome the ever-popular author Stuart Heritage back to school this week! He came to share readings from his brand-new book *Hyperkitty* – which the children absolutely loved.

Many pupils had the chance to meet Stuart in person, get their books signed, and receive special bookmarks and stickers he brought along for them.

Stuart's books are available in all major bookstores, and we're excited to announce that he'll be returning soon to help us officially launch our brand-new school library!

Screen-Free Bedtimes!

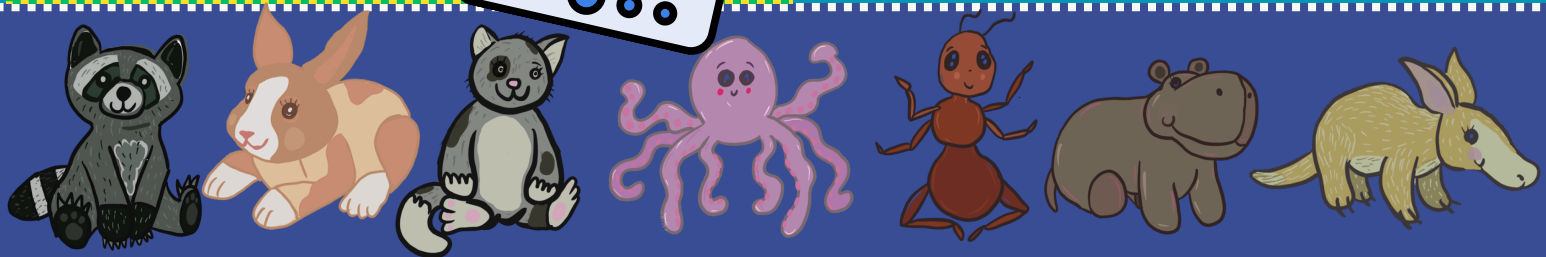
Recent guidance from the Royal College of Paediatrics and Child Health highlights the importance of balanced screen time, regular breaks, and device-free sleep routines. Talk often about online behaviour, privacy and safety. Small daily habits support children's digital wellbeing—keeping screen use positive, purposeful and protected.



Swimming Gala

On Friday 6th March 2026, pupils from *Whinless Down Academy* represented the school at the *Dover School Games Swimming Gala*. Competing against several local schools, our swimmers showed fantastic determination, teamwork and sportsmanship throughout. We are thrilled to share that *Whinless Down Academy* finished 3rd overall in the Large School category – an excellent achievement.

A huge well done to all four swimmers for their courage, commitment and resilience in both individual and relay events. Congratulations on representing the school so brilliantly, and thank you to *Dover School Games* for hosting another fantastic event!





**Our next school council event will be:
Endangered Species Day
Friday 15th May 2026**

Dress Up for Wildlife organised by your School Council

Wear your favourite **animal costume** or **animal print** for the day or bring in your favourite **animal teddy!**

Bring in **£1** to help us raise money to adopt an animal at Wingham Wildlife Park

Each year group will adopt their own animal at Wingham!

We will be spending the day learning about the endangered species and how we can help protect wildlife!

Kind regards,

HG – Head of School Council and LM – Project Planner



**Happy
Easter from
Priory
Fields!**

**Have the best
Easter break
we look forward
to seeing you on the 20th April!**