

SUMMER 2026



The Four Cs Trust

PARENT NEWSLETTER

WELCOME

Welcome to the Summer term edition of the Four Cs Trust Parent Newsletter. This edition brings news of events taking place across the Trust, as well as news from our individual schools.

This truly is a bumper edition as such a lot has been happening in our schools



End of Year Trust Video - you should have received a link to this by your school. Thank you to everyone who contributed.

WATCH VIDEO

Good Bye

CLASS OF
2026

Goodbye to all students leaving our school at the end of this year.

Year 6 - thank you for your amazingly hard work in your SATS. Good luck in your chosen secondary school.

Years 11 and 13 - thank you for working so hard in your GCSE, Vocational and A Level exams. You deserve every success and good luck for your next chosen pathway.

good luck

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Arthur Mellows Village College



Discovery Primary Academy



Fulbridge Academy



Hampton Vale Primary Academy



Ken Stimpson Academy



Manor Drive Primary Academy



Manor Drive Secondary Academy

**Hampton Vale
Primary Academy**

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Well Done

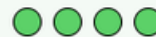
Inspection report: 12 February 2026

Exceptional

Strong standard



Expected standard



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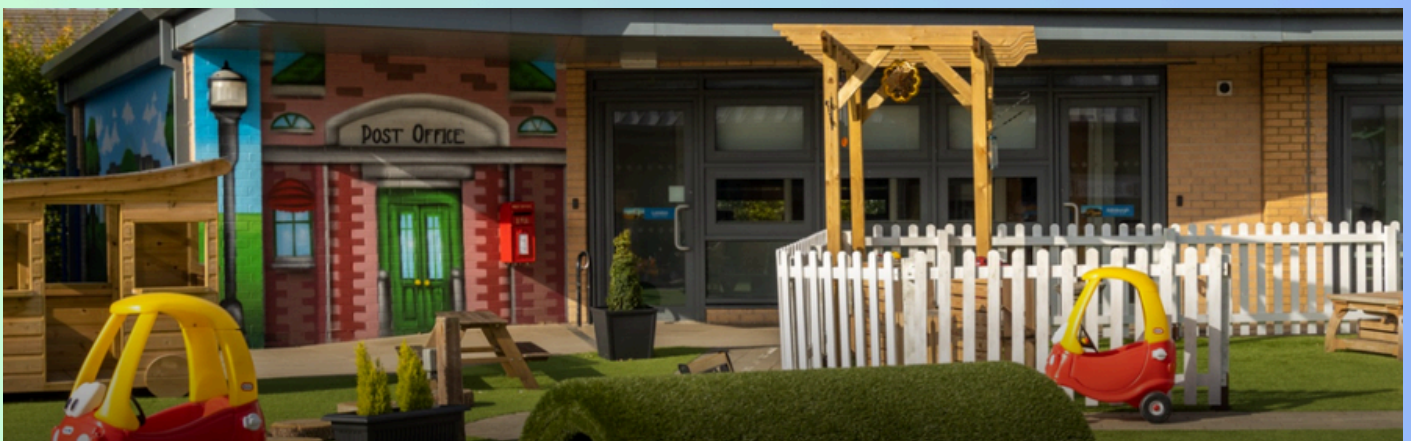
Urgent improvement



We are incredibly pleased and proud to share the recent Ofsted inspection report for the Nursery at Hampton Vale Primary Academy, part of the Four Cs Trust.

This fantastic achievement reflects the dedication, passion, and hard work of our staff in providing high-quality early years provision and ensuring the very best start for our children.

To read the full report, please [click here](#).



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Celebrating 'the best of the best'

The Four Cs Trust celebrated our first Star Awards event on 8 July 2026. All schools came together to acknowledge 14 students from across all Trust schools and to award them their Star Award for either Curiosity, Confidence, Courage or Constasy. Parents attended the event to hear speeches from staff about the contribution their child makes to school life and within our communities.

We are very proud of all students who received an award for being 'the best of 2026!' 🖐️🖐️



Daneel and Keita from Discovery Primary



Pedro and Fareed from Hampton Vale Primary



Sanuli and Fatima-Zahra from Fulbridge



Isaac and Lordina from Arthur Mellows



Darius and Anashe from Manor Drive Primary



Theo and Ruby from Ken Stimpson

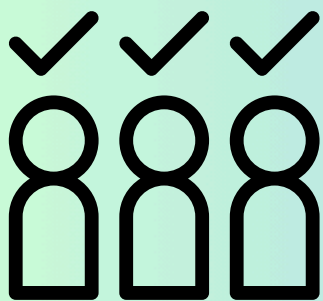


Ihor and Skye from Manor Drive Secondary



The Trust would also like to express sincere thanks to Carrie Trail, Service Director for Education at Peterborough Local Authority, who attended the event to present the awards.

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Attendance Matters

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Everyone's business?

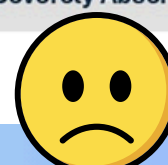
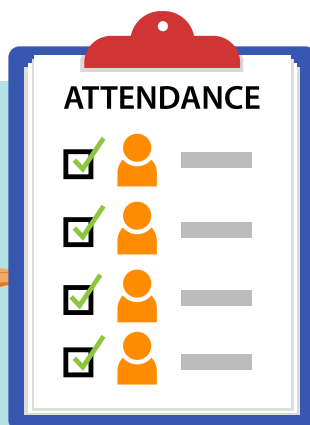
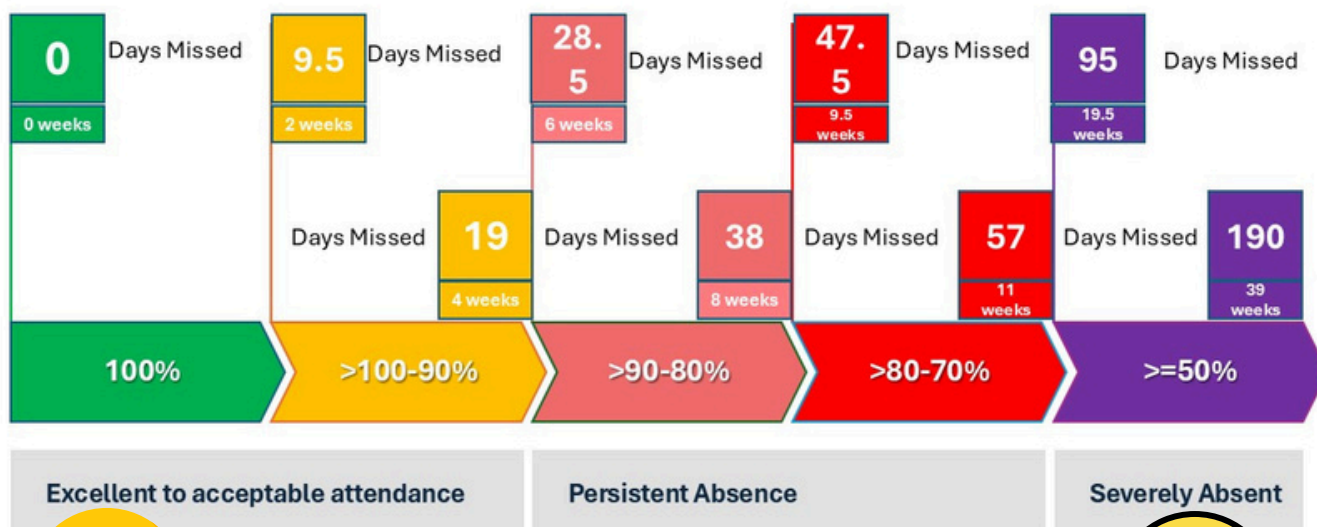
Over the academic year, the Trust has been championing as many of our young people attend their educational setting every day. However, we understand there may well be specific factors that push young people away from attending their school

The Trust wishes to thank all parents in our endeavours to maximise attendance and would encourage you to work with individual schools to ensure that our aim for high attendance is met.



Key attendance figures: what do they mean?

90% in a test is an excellent score; 90% attendance *is not* – it's the same as having nearly 4 weeks off school in a year! The impact of lower attendance on end of Key Stage 2 and GCSE grades has a negative impact.



If attendance becomes an issue for your child next year, please engage with the school as early as possible - we are here to help.

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News

from our schools....



Constancy



MDSA's Alfie Breaking Records!

Last summer, MDSA PE department entered Alfie in the 100m and 200m events at the Peterborough Schools Championships. Alfie broke the record for the 200m and was invited to join Peterborough and Nene Valley Athletics Club.

Since then, Alfie has gone from strength to strength, winning races and smashing records. He has competed at county level and has gone from being 257th to the 8th fastest for 100m in the whole UK. Alfie will be representing Cambridgeshire in the English Schools Championships in July; we wish him every success.

Arthur Mellows is pleased to share that we have recently opened a Multi-faith room within the school to support our students.

This dedicated space provides a quiet, respectful environment where pupils of all faiths can take time for reflection, prayer, or personal contemplation during the school day. We are proud to promote an inclusive culture where every student feels valued, respected, and supported in expressing their beliefs.

The room has been thoughtfully prepared to ensure it is welcoming and adaptable, allowing it to meet the needs of our diverse school community. Staff will oversee its use to ensure it remains a calm and respectful space for all.

The room is located near the IT corridor and the auditorium and is available for our students to access at lunchtimes.



Fulbridge Academy



Confidence

Fulbridge Fun Run 2026

The Fulbridge Fun Run took place on Friday 5 June 2026. Everyone gave their best effort, and we received fantastic support from residents and parents/carers who cheered from the sidelines, which made a difference, thank you. The Fulbridge Falcon was also present to motivate children and staff as they completed their laps. It was a wonderful whole school community event that lifted everyone's spirits.

All money raised will contribute towards a hoist for our Fulbridge swimming pool, ensuring that all children can access the facility and enjoy the swimming activities.

Congratulations to everyone involved.

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from our schools....



Curiosity



Let's Grow Vegetables!

Manor Drive Primary Academy's Reception children have been busy transforming part of their outdoor area into a thriving vegetable garden. In Hummingbird Class, one enthusiastic child arrived carrying sweet potatoes, proudly sharing them with the class. Seeing their hard work turning into real vegetables has sparked curiosity and enthusiasm. This hands-on gardening project is helping the children learn about nature, responsibility, and healthy eating, all while having fun outdoors. Manor Drive Primary Academy's Reception garden is quickly becoming a place full of discovery, teamwork, and delicious possibilities.



Ken Stimpson go Sailing!

In May, the first of this year's Tall Ships crews set sail from Cowes to take part in the challenge of navigating the open waters and developing essential life skills. The expedition saw our students step far outside their comfort zones as they became active crew members aboard a Challenger yacht. From mastering the rigging and helming the vessel to taking responsibility for navigation and galley duties, the three-day voyage was a whirlwind masterclass in teamwork, resilience, and leadership.

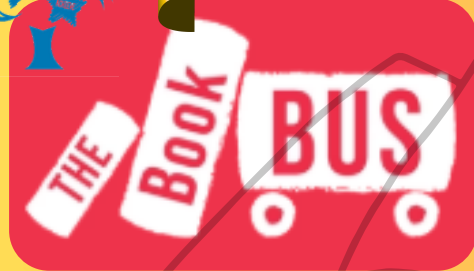


Confidence

The voyage offered a unique opportunity for students to experience sailing at sea first-hand, generating a sense of independence and confidence that is difficult to replicate in a traditional classroom. Working together to trim sails and man the decks, the camaraderie built on board was clear. We are incredibly proud of the determination shown by our first crew and look forward to seeing the personal growth they bring back to their studies and school life.



Curiosity



The Discovery Book Bus

At Discovery Primary Academy we were delighted to welcome The Book Bus to our academy, transforming our playground into a magical bookshop for the day! Every class visited the bus, stepping into a world of stories and **curiosity**.



Inside, the Book Bus was brimming with an exciting range of books unlike any book fair we've had before. Children had the chance to browse through the shelves, chat with their friends and discover new books that sparked their curiosity.

This special visit perfectly captured our academy's dedication to nurturing a love of reading and confidence in every child. Seeing families sharing books together truly highlighted how books can bring us closer and inspire a lifelong passion for reading.

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from our schools....

TeachEast

The Teach East Class of...

2026



Thursday 9 July saw the Teach East SCITT Graduation event, held at Arthur Mellows Village College. Friends and family gathered to support and celebrate this year's cohort of graduating trainees attaining Qualified Teacher Status - many of these will be taking up jobs in schools within the Four Cs Trust and wider afield in Peterborough.

Special thanks to our Guest Speaker, Martin Barwise (Assistant Headteacher, Jack Hunt School), who was one of the founding fathers of the new-look Teach East in 2016.

The SCITT is proud of the work it does in helping get great teachers into local schools and supporting outcomes for students.

Congratulations



Hampton Vale Primary Academy



Constancy



Hampton Vale - Amazing Achievement

We are incredibly proud to share the amazing achievements of our children this year at Hampton Vale Primary Academy.

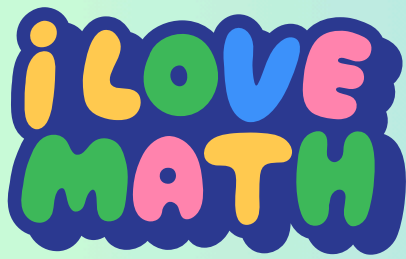
Reception GLD- 77%

Year 1 Phonics- 86%

Year 4 MTC's- 73%

All of these sit well above National Average and we know how crucial it is for our children to have the very best chance to succeed. Well done to all of our children for their successes and a big thank you to our fantastic staff team for supporting our children through this journey.

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Four Cs MATHS CHALLENGE



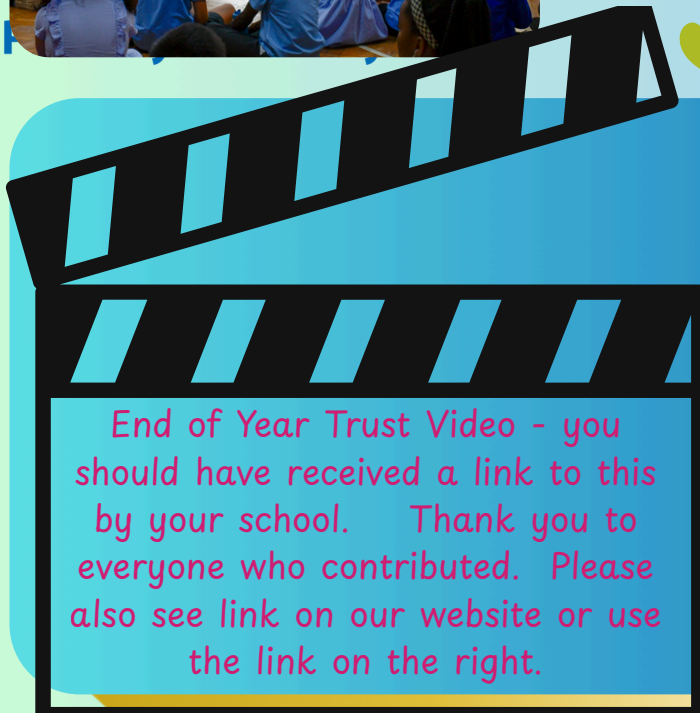
Fulbridge Academy had great fun on the morning of 24 June hosting the Four Cs Maths Challenge for the third consecutive year, welcoming 32 Year 3 and Year 4 pupils from all four of our primary schools. The children worked brilliantly together on a range of challenging problem-solving activities, showing teamwork, determination, and a real enjoyment of maths throughout the morning.

A big thank you to staff across all schools for supporting the event and helping make it such a success.



WINNER

**Congratulations to this year's winners,
Fulbridge Academy!**



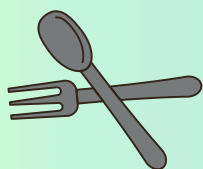
Our schools have all been busy submitting photography and film taken throughout the year in order that 2026 can be celebrated in an end of year video. Take a look and see if there is anyone you recognise. 😊

A special thanks is extended to Nicole Dobslaw, Trust Digital Content Lead, who has worked her magic in creating this final video.

WATCH VIDEO



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Accent Catering



It was a busy and positive term for catering across our six schools, with teams continuing to provide pupils and staff with fresh, varied and balanced food each day.

A key highlight was **Manor Drive's Fit for Fun Week**, which took place from Monday 8 June. The catering team supported the week by promoting healthy choices and helping pupils make the connection between food, energy, wellbeing and an active lifestyle.

At **Arthur Mellows Village College**, we were delighted to welcome local businesses into the Sixth Form to provide careers advice and insight for students. This provided a valuable opportunity to support wider learning, helping students explore future pathways while strengthening links between the school community and local employers.

Manor Drive Secondary also enjoyed a BBQ-themed menu on 25 June, giving pupils the chance to enjoy a seasonal lunchtime offer and adding another engaging theme to the school dining calendar.



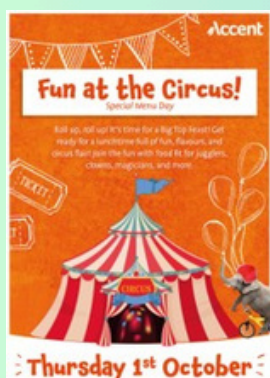
Across all sites, we continued to focus on variety, presentation and healthier options at breakfast, break and lunchtime. Thank you to all catering teams across the six schools for their continued hard work, flexibility and commitment.



We were also pleased to support **Early Years taster tables at Discovery Academy and Fulbridge**, designed for both parents and pupils. These sessions gave families the opportunity to sample menu items, ask questions and encourage younger pupils to try new foods in a fun and engaging way.



Our primary schools also enjoyed a themed "By the Beach" menu, which brought a fun seaside feel to lunchtime. The menu gave pupils the chance to enjoy familiar favourites in a bright and engaging way, helping to make lunch service feel special while encouraging participation across the schools.



Future events in schools will look to engage pupils through food, education and themed events. This includes British Farming Day on 10 September, which will provide a chance to celebrate British produce, highlight the importance of farming, and help pupils understand where food comes from.



For Census Day on 1st October, we have an "At the Circus" themed day designed to create excitement around lunchtime and encourage strong pupil participation across the schools.



Curiosity, Confidence, Courage and Constasy

What are the Four Cs?

Curiosity, Confidence, Courage and Constancy

At the Four Cs Multi Academy Trust we must ignite a student's imagination and their active, willing and enthusiastic engagement in their learning.

Future editions of the Trust Newsletter will focus on the individual elements that make up our vision and will focus on the four key words:



Curiosity



Confidence



Courage



Constancy

The Trust wishes to encourage Curiosity, Confidence, Courage and Constancy in all aspects of our work.

Curiosity



- We encourage exploration, learning, and creativity in all aspects of school life.
- Schools share expertise, ideas, and best practice to continually improve across the Trust.
- We are open to new approaches that benefit children, staff, and communities.

Confidence



- We believe in every child's potential and help them succeed academically and personally.
- Our schools and staff are supported to lead with confidence and pride in their work.
- The Four Cs Trust provides a reliable, trusted framework while ensuring every school is valued for its identity, heritage and local knowledge.

Courage



- We take bold, principled steps to meet the needs of every pupil and community.
- Our schools and leaders act with ambition, integrity, and a focus on excellence.
- We celebrate successes and are transparent about challenges, learning from both.

Constancy



- We are committed for the long term to children, staff, and local communities.
- Our approach is consistent, dependable, and values-driven.
- The Four Cs Trust creates stability while enabling growth, collaboration, and shared leadership.

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SUMMER HOLIDAYS

The Trust would like to thank all parents and our young people for their contribution to the success of all our schools during this last academic year.

It is important that all families take the time over the summer to re-set and re-charge and enjoy the summer break.

See you all in September!

take time to
* REST *
your
* MIND *

SEE YOU
* Soon! *



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FourCsTrust logo: Curiosity Confidence Courage Constancy

Logos for partner schools: Fulbridge Academy, Discovery Primary Academy, Hampton Vale Primary Academy, Manor Drive Primary Academy, Manor Drive Secondary Academy, Ken Simpson Academy, Arthur Melrose Village College.

If you have enjoyed reading this newsletter, let us know.

If you have ideas for any future content or wish to submit material for the next edition, please contact the Trust on office@fourcsmat.org.uk

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