



## St Mary the Virgin Church of England Primary School

Hartfield East Sussex TN7 4AA

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Term 5 Week 1 2026

Friday 17th April 2026

Being the best we can be in a thriving community, following the example of Jesus.

### Headlines from the Head



On Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> April, our school took part in the TCS Mini London Marathon. Children had to complete a 2 mile run. The route was organised by Mr Sumner from Active Education, and took in exciting local trails. There were stiles to climb, as well as hills and bridges to navigate. The children were absolutely brilliant, showing so much perseverance. We were so proud of all children who took part completing the 2 mile run. The greatest outcome was the children had fun, and experienced the joy of running! (Watch out for what Mrs Fry has planned next!)

A huge thank you to all the staff and volunteers for making this event run so smoothly. To the PTFA for providing refreshments, parents for all the cake donations and cheers for children, staff for supporting all children to complete and to Mr Sumner for all his hard work making this happen.



Congratulations to the children who came first, second and third.

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## Staying Sun Safe!

On Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> April Michelle from the Melanoma Fund came to speak to the whole school about the importance of staying safe in the sun. The children were fascinated as they learnt the importance of looking after our skin and protecting ourselves from UV rays. As the weather becomes warmer, please could we ask that sun cream is applied to your children at the start of the day, and that sunhats are brought into school, as well as a water bottle. Your child may want to check the UV Index. We learnt that anything above 3 means we should be wearing sun protection.



The children asked some fantastic questions about how to keep safe in the sun, including,

"Is sunscreen bad for my skin?"

"How often should I apply it?"

"Will we get ill if our skin burns?"



When sunburn came children to ensure that they were protected.

We talked about how to stay protected from the sun.

"Sun cream keeps our skin safe. You can wear the bracelet to check the UV Rays."

Rory Year 6

"Wear long clothes to protect yourselves and check the UV Index."

Dylan Yr 5

"Seek the shade if you don't have any protection."

Jacob Year 6

### UV Index



## Arts and Crafts Fair – Tomorrow!

We are excited to let you know that tomorrow is our Arts and Crafts Fair! The children have used their imagination and creativity to make a variety of wonderful items to sell.

Children chose to either work individually or in pairs and their creations have not been named so some lucky buyers may even take home something made by your child.

There will be a wide range of stalls and activities, including:

- \*Bespoke animal artwork with the amazing Mrs Carpenter
- \*Cards to colour and handmade colouring books created especially for the fair
- \*Pottery and other treats
- \*Jewellery
- \*Slime, playdough, and homemade crayons
- \*Decorating plant pots and planting seeds

There will also be **two free workshop sessions at 1:45pm and at 2:45pm** with local artist Lily Mitri and Bev from the Scrap Store. Please check the poster below for further details.

Please bring **small change** for stalls, refreshments and children's creations—although a QR code payment option will also be available.

If you are able to help serve **tea and coffee** for 30 minutes during the fair, we would greatly appreciate it. Please let Mrs Fry or Mrs Perry know on the day.

We look forward to seeing you there!



The poster features the 'artytime' logo in the top left corner. The main title is 'Free art workshop' in a large, orange, sans-serif font. Below the title is a detailed black and white sketch of Sir Arthur Conan Doyle, showing him with a mustache and a suit. To the right of the sketch, the text reads: 'Help local artist Lily De Mitri design a mural about Sir Arthur Conan Doyle'. Below this is the heading 'Workshop Info' in orange. The text continues: 'We will be creating mood boards about Sir Arthur Conan Doyle.' This is followed by a bulleted list: '• Bring some printed reference, if you can.', '• All materials will be provided', and '• Wear suitable cloths as there will be glue and paint pens.' Below the list, it says: 'Lily will be using your mood boards to create a mural to go on a wall opposite Crowborough Station. As Crowborough was the home of Sir Arthur Conan Doyle.' At the bottom of the text section, it says: 'Pop along and have some art and crafty fun.' The bottom of the poster features a green dinosaur illustration on the left, a series of black arrows pointing right towards a small illustration of a person painting a wall, and a circular logo on the right. Below these elements, it says 'This workshop is sponsored by'. At the very bottom, there is an orange alarm clock icon followed by the times '1:45-2:30 and 2:45-3:30' in orange, and a red pushpin icon followed by 'Willow class' in orange.

**Free art workshop**

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**Workshop Info**

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- Bring some printed reference, if you can.
- All materials will be provided
- Wear suitable cloths as there will be glue and paint pens.

Lily will be using your mood boards to create a mural to go on a wall opposite Crowborough Station. As Crowborough was the home of Sir Arthur Conan Doyle.

Pop along and have some art and crafty fun.

1:30 to 3.30pm

You must be aged 5-10

St.Mary's school art and craft fair

This workshop is sponsored by

**1:45-2:30 and 2:45-3:30**

**Willow class**

## Top Tips

Letters, emails and WhatsApp's home this fortnight. Please check below and let the office know if you have missed any:

**Whole School**— Federation letter from Governors

**Lilac**— Y6 Transition, Y5 Bikeability Training, Y6

London Leavers Trip, Lilac class newsletter, Y6

Diocese Leavers Service

**Willow**— Class newsletter

**Cherry**— class newsletter

**Maple**— The Big One Hundred



### **Message from Mrs. Rowberry**

Mrs. Rowberry would like to say a very big 'Thank You' for the lovely service at Church, and for everyone's good wishes when she celebrated her 80th birthday in March. It was much appreciated!

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## Dates for your Diary

### **April**

23rd: Forest School for Maple class

24th: PTFA Easter Disco in hall

30th: Forest School for Cherry class

### **May**

4th: Bank Holiday –no school

7th: Forest School for Willow class

11th-14th: Y6 SATs

11th-15th: Y5 Bikeability

19th: Y5/6 Pioneer Cup Football Tournament

21st: Y6 Transition meeting for parents

21st: Forest School for Maple class

22nd: PTFA May Fair and end of Term 5

### **June**

1st: INSET Day

4th-5th: Lilac class residential

10th: Safety in Action trip for Y6

16th: Class group photos

17th: Y6 London Leavers trip

18th: Forest School for Cherry class

18th: Y6 Leavers Service

19th: Special Person Gifting—Father's Day

26th: Sports Day & PTFA BBQ

### **July**

9th: Forest School for Lilac class

17th: PTFA Summer Disco

21st: End of Term 6



### **Help to support families on low incomes**

This link is a helpful page to lots of services to support families on low income. If you would like further support we are happy to speak confidentially with you.

<https://www.eastsussex.gov.uk/education-learning/schools/school-life/school-meals/free-school-meals>

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## School Values

**Love:** love and respect yourself and all others, treating them as you would like to be treated.

Luke 10: 25-37

**Strength:** recognise people's strength and use your own to be resilient and the best you can be in all that you do.

John 6: 1-14

**Faith:** have faith in yourself and others, and be honest and truthful. Believe that you never know what you can achieve until you try.

Luke 5: 1-11



Each week, one pupil from each class is recognised for their engagement within our school values which underpin our vision of 'being the best we can be, in a thriving community, following the example of Jesus'. Again, these are recognised in our Celebration Assembly on Fridays but we want also to celebrate them with you. Since the last newsletter:

Faith—Finn—you are never daunted by anything. Even the most tricky things can't test your faith in yourself. And what's more—I think you actually relish a tough challenge. We can all learn something from your awesome faith!





# St Mary's Star Skills



"Skills for learning, skills for life"



## Star Skills

Each week, one pupil from each class is recognised for their 'star skills' development. This year, to ensure we celebrate with clarity, certificates are given when a child has shown amazing growth in a particular area, which is then recognised in Celebration Assembly on Fridays.

Celebrations since the last newsletter:

Teamwork—Year 5—You have all been so patient and kind to Y6 during their mock SATs week.





## Take on the 12 Clumps Challenge!

We're inviting teachers, families, and our local communities to step outdoors, have some fun, and raise money for our schools by taking on the **Sponsored 12 Clumps Challenge on July 4th!**

The **12 Clumps of Ashdown Forest** form a **32km circular route** and the challenge is simple (but definitely not easy!) **visit all 12 clumps and complete the course.** It's a fantastic adventure, a great personal challenge, and all for a brilliant cause. Whether you're a keen walker, love a challenge, or just want to support your school community, we'd love you to get involved:



- **Take part on the day** and complete the challenge yourself



- **Support from the side lines** by sponsoring the St Mary's teaching staff who will be taking part



- **Spread the word** and help build some friendly competition across our Federation schools. We're hoping as many Federation schools as possible will join in and add a little friendly rivalry:
  - Which school will be **first** around all 12 clumps?
  - Which school will **raise the most money**?
  - Which school will have the **most participants**?

All participants will raise sponsorship for **their 'home' school**, meaning your involvement will directly benefit your school community and help make a real difference.

**Sponsorship details will be shared soon.**

If you're interested in taking part, please register your interest at: [PTFAHartfield@gmail.com](mailto:PTFAHartfield@gmail.com)

Let's make this a fun, memorable, and slightly competitive challenge.

We can't wait to see you on the trail!



## St Mary's Very Own Star Reporter!

Cece had a great time before Easter on Heart FM interviewing Davina!



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**Year 6 Transition  
Drop in session for  
Parents and Carers**

**Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> May 9.15 am**

**The step up to secondary school can be a huge dynamic shift for all the family. To ensure the window to secondary school is smooth and successful we have Lucy Fisher (Inclusion adviser from East Sussex) coming to discuss the topic of Secondary Transition.**

**St Mary's School Hartfield  
21.05.26**

**The session is designed to leave parents/carers with practical strategies to help support their child. There will also be time to ask your own questions pertinent to your circumstances.**

## Forest School Round-up of Term 4

In term 4, the children have been working on a project as a whole class. They were shown what the project was and what it was aiming to achieve. We then discussed, as a group, why we thought this project needed to happen and what improvements this would make to the area. The project was within the ditch that runs along one edge of the area that we use for Forest School, and the aim was to make a few leaky woody dams to help improve the ditch and surrounding area, by encouraging less foot traffic and more natural regeneration. Each class had taken on a different part of the project.

The first part to tackle was the large amount of lumps of wood and branches that have ended up in the ditch over time. The children of Willow class worked so hard to achieve this as there was rather a lot of wood and some of it had become rather buried in the mud.



The next step was to make a few leaky woody dams. Using wooden mallets and a post rammer, the children knocked in four posts, 2 either side of the ditch.

They then set off into the woods to find

many long branches that were then placed within these 4 posts, stacking up to create a dam, slowing down the flow of water and erosion of the ditch any further. With amazing teamwork, the classes have managed to create two dams so far.



We have also enjoyed wild garlic! The children have all had the opportunity to try some raw as a leaf, many enjoyed this but quite a few said it was a little spicy. The wild garlic was then chopped up by the children and mixed into butter turning it green.

Bread was then toasted on the fire, and once toasted, a layer of the green butter was added to make some garlic toast.

Previously, Lilac class had cleared an area and started to make a fairy garden and they wanted to continue with this by adding little houses. They used a selection of pallet off cuts to create these little fairy houses, first nailing on the roof before using paint pens to add decoration to their house. These were then placed in the fairy garden.



We are keen to increase visits to our school, and have spaces in many year groups, so please spread the word about our open events, and share and like our Social Media posts!



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**PTFA**



**Support your child's future**

Sign up to online cashback site, easyfundraising, and select your child's school as your chosen good cause.

Then, when you shop online with over 8,000 retailers, the retailer will give the school a free donation as a thank you for shopping with them.

It's as simple as that. No matter what you buy, from food shops to holidays and everything in between - it's a free and easy way to support your school.





**How to get started**

Head to [easyfundraising.org.uk/support-a-good-cause](https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/support-a-good-cause) and search for your child's school, or scan the QR code.

Registration is free and will take you less than two minutes to sign up!



17,000 schools and PTAs have raised over £12.5 million using easyfundraising.

**Sign up and support your child's future today.**





## PTFA Newsletter

January 2026

**Upcoming Events**

- Maple class bake sale - 10th Feb
- School Disco - 13th Feb
- Someone special gifting - 11th March
- Community Bake Sale - TBC
- School Disco - 24th April
- Mayfair - 22nd May
- Someone special gifting - 19th June
- Sports Day & PTFA BBQ - 26th June
- School Disco - 17th July

**We Need You!**

After an incredible 6 years of dedication, our wonderful Chairperson Kerry Powell has stepped down for a well earned rest!

We're excited to be looking for someone new to step into this role. If you're interested in becoming the PTFA Chairperson, or would like to find out more, please have a chat with Katie or Helen.

If the Chairperson role is not for you, but you'd still like to get involved, we'd love to expand our team. Please let us know if you would like to be added to our 'Regular Helpers' list - Thank you!

**Contacts**

- Vice-Chair - Helen Law
- Secretary - Katie Schreiber
- Treasurer - Beth Hart
- Regular Helpers:
- Caroline Halawa & Claire Levis
- E-mail: [PTFAhartfield@gmail.com](mailto:PTFAhartfield@gmail.com)

**Fundraising Focus**

This year, our focus is supporting the school with the replacement of the playground trim trail. We are delighted to be involved in this exciting addition to the children's daily routine.

We will continue to raise vital funds through the remainder of this academic year through a range of regular activities, including class bake sales, discos, special person gifting and our Sports Day BBQ. You can support these fundraising efforts by taking part in our events, using Easyfundraising when you shop, or purchasing second-hand uniform.

Thank you for your fantastic support!

# PTFA

## FUNDRAISING EVENTS

April – July

**April 16th**  
**Cherry & Willow Class Bake Sale & Mini Marathon**  
 Join us at **The Croft** to cheer on the children.  
 Hot drinks & cakes in the Pavilion.

**April 24th**  
**School Disco!**  
 3.15pm - 4.30pm • School Hall  
 Order form coming soon!

**May 22nd**  
**Mayfair**  
 Maypole Dancing & Bake Sale  
 Prizes for best bakes!

**June 19th**  
**Special Person Gifting - Father's Day**  
 A surprise gift prepared by the children.

**June 26th**  
**Sports Day & PTFA BBQ**  
 Cheer on the kids & enjoy the BBQ!

**July 17th**  
**Summer Disco!**  
 Let's celebrate our Year 6 Leavers  
 and give them a brilliant send-off!

Thank you for your fantastic support!

**St Mary's Church Information**



**Sunday Discoverers**

Discover us every 1st & 3rd Sunday morning at 9.30am, as we find out more about our Creator

**Upcoming dates: 3<sup>rd</sup> May, 17<sup>th</sup> May**  
There will be no sessions in April

For more information please contact Rev Julie Sear at [revjuliesear1@gmail.com](mailto:revjuliesear1@gmail.com) or 01892770436



**Sunday CONNECT**  
For young people aged 10+

Held in The Oast from 9.30am, for breakfast and chats, before heading back to church for communion.

**Sunday dates are:**  
3<sup>rd</sup> May  
17<sup>th</sup> May

There will be no sessions in April

Come, relax and chat as we build relationship with Jesus and each other!!

For more information please contact Matt Marriott at [m.marriott@btconnect.com](mailto:m.marriott@btconnect.com)



**CONNECT**  
For young people aged 10+

Join us for games, food and fun  
From 5-6.15pm in the Village Hall

Thursday dates are:  
23<sup>rd</sup> April  
7<sup>th</sup> May (in church)

For more information please contact Matt Marriott at [m.marriott@btconnect.com](mailto:m.marriott@btconnect.com)



**LITTLE STARS**

Parent & toddler group  
Mondays @ St Mary's Church, Hartfield



**Upcoming dates**

20 <sup>th</sup> April	11 <sup>th</sup> May
27 <sup>th</sup> April	18 <sup>th</sup> May

No session on 4<sup>th</sup> May due to Bank Holiday

9.15 to 10.45am  
Tea and Coffee Provided [revjuliesear1@gmail.com](mailto:revjuliesear1@gmail.com)

### Parent Workshops which may be of interest

#### **TRIGGERS, TANTRUMS AND TEACHING MOMENTS**

Learn simple ways to set boundaries, get them to listen, and solve problems together

**Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> April - 8.45-10.20am at Firle Primary School (Firle CE School, The Street, Firle, Lewes, East Sussex, BN8 6LF)**



#### **SMARTPHONE FREE CHILDHOOD**

Recent research suggests that smartphones and social media are linked to increased anxiety and depression, decreased attention span, cyberbullying is more prevalent and children are accessing inappropriate content, amongst other risks. These risks are present at surprisingly young ages, not necessarily just during teenage years. Education is obviously hugely important to try to keep our children safe, but our children's young brains are not wired to be able to avoid the risk or the addiction. There are alternatives to smartphones that allow us to keep in contact with our children without these risks.

We are holding a meeting for parents with Magda Bannister about this issue on **Wednesday 22nd April at 9.30am at Laughton Primary School.** (Laughton CP School, Church Lane, Laughton, Lewes, East Sussex, BN8 6AH)

Please come along to find out more, you are very welcome to attend if you have children attending other schools.



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**artytime**  
**SCRAP STORE**  
Recycle-Reuse-Repurpose  
07851 972 377

**"An Aladdin's cave of art and craft materials"**

Use the QR code to join today



**TERM TIME OPENING HOURS**




Mon 3.30 - 5.30pm Tues 9.30 - 11.30am  
Wed 9.30 - 11.30am Thurs 4.00 - 6.00pm


Also 2nd Sunday and last Sunday of the month 10 - 12  
Find us in Jarvis Brook recreation ground car park





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**BUILDING BETTER COMMUNITIES - CREATIVELY**

 This is a community project based in Jarvis Brook recreation ground, Crowborough. Open to members, who will help keep this resource facility going, by paying a small yearly membership of £30 per year. This entitles you to visit as often as you wish throughout the year. Non-members can visit by making a monetary donation.

 The store is run by members of the community who volunteer their time to collect and sort the scrap donations. We will post any new and exciting donations on our scrapstore facebook page. We welcome any inspirational ideas that people have made with the materials.

 Scrap donations include paper, card, paint, pens, pencils etc. We also have material, wool and vinyl as well as lots of crafty bits. Pop in for a browse as it is always changing.

 These materials may be supplied to individuals, families and schools. As well as playgroups, holiday clubs, special needs groups and other community organisations such as Scouts and Guides. Please ask about our large group membership. Most of the materials will be free however some may have a small donation.

Email us at [scrapstore@artytime.co.uk](mailto:scrapstore@artytime.co.uk)  
Or follow us on Facebook -  
[@artytimescrapstore](https://www.facebook.com/artytimescrapstore).



<b>TERM TIME OPENING</b>	Mon 3.30 - 5.30 pm Tues and Weds 9.30 - 11.30am Thurs 4.00 - 6.00pm 2nd Sunday & last Sunday of the month	Could you volunteer for 2 hours a week?
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# UK Rhino Challenge

A unique cycle orienteering challenge  
for all the family



**Sunday May 3rd 2026**



In the beautiful  
bluebell woods  
of Pippingford  
Park on the  
Ashdown Forest  
TN22 3HW



**Have fun & raise funds for conservation**

Two levels of challenge  
Family Fun - 4 miles  
Explorers Adventure - 6 to 20  
miles, choose your route

Full details on  
[www.ukrhinochallenge.com](http://www.ukrhinochallenge.com)



**Book here**



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## May 2026 Timetable

All regular sessions delivered live online via zoom. 90 minutes long  
**£24 each or FREE with School Membership**

Book online at [facefamilyadvice.co.uk](http://facefamilyadvice.co.uk)  
 Recordings available for 48 hours

School Anxiety	4 May 10am
Understanding Anger	4 May 7pm
Facing Defiance	5 May 10am
Supporting Healthy Screen Use	5 May 7pm
Cannabis and Ketamine Awareness	11 May 10am
Anxiety Explained	11 May 7pm
Introduction to OCD	12 May 10am
What is ACT?	12 May 7pm
Decreasing Depression	18 May 10am
Raising Self-Esteem	18 May 7pm
Supporting Healthy Sleep	19 May 10am
Understanding the Teenage Brain	19 May 7pm
Autism: Improving Communication	25 May 10am
Improving Family Communication	25 May 7pm
Supporting a Child with ADHD	26 May 10am
Understanding Addictive Behaviour	26 May 7pm
<b>FREE Getting a Good Nights Sleep</b>	<b>28 May 7-8pm</b>



31 March 2026

Dear Headteacher

Weald of Kent Grammar School is again partnering with [Atom Learning](http://Atom Learning), to provide free access to Atom Home (normally £575.90/year) to all Pupil Premium eligible students in Years 3-6. Weald of Kent is proud to be open to students of all backgrounds and we want to encourage even greater representation at our school. This support is open to all PP-eligible children, not just those applying to grammar schools.

Weald of Kent is clear that intensive coaching and tuition are not in the long-term best interests of a child. Children should focus on mastering the Key Stage 2 learning objectives and having strong literacy and numeracy skills. We know that not every child has the same access to additional support at home, and hope this provision helps level the playing field.

We would also be very keen to speak to directly to your parents and carers to 'demystify' the grammar school system. Please do contact us directly on [school@wealds.org](mailto:school@wealds.org) if there is an opportunity or event that would be suitable for us to attend.

Please let your Years 3-6 families know about the support available (I have attached some sample wording for your newsletter).

#### How parents can get free access to Atom:

1. Parents complete the form here: <https://www.wealdofkent.kent.sch.uk/about/admissions/free-11-familialisation-materials>
2. Your school office will receive an email from Atom to confirm each child's PP eligibility.
3. Once verified, the free Atom Home account will be created and login details sent to the parent.

#### What is Atom Home?

Atom Home is an online platform that supports KS2 learning and 11+ preparation. It offers practice questions, mock tests, video tutorials and more to build children's confidence in English, maths, and verbal and non-verbal reasoning.

Whether or not your child plans to take the 11+, we hope this is an enjoyable and effective way of supporting KS2 progress.

If you would like to find out more, please email [pupilpremium@atomlearning.com](mailto:pupilpremium@atomlearning.com).

Thank you for your support, and I hope your eligible families enjoy making use of this provision.

Yours sincerely



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 Website: [www.wealds.org](http://www.wealds.org)  
 Weald of Kent Grammar School Academy Trust  
 Charity, Incorporated in England and Wales  
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# JARVIS BROOK FUNDRAISER FETE

**MONDAY 25th May 2026**  
**11am - 2pm**  
 Raising money for the JB skate park and scrapstore extension

**BBQ**  
**Bouncy Castle**  
**Face Painting**  
**Tombola**  
**Lucky Dips**  
**Craft Stalls**  
**Cakes**  
**Refreshments and lots, lots more**

Raise funds for your cause by having a table only £10. To book email [JBcommunityassociation@outlook.com](mailto:JBcommunityassociation@outlook.com)

At the Jarvis Brook Recreation Ground and Guidehall

Funded by

# CREATE MUSIC ACADEMY

**Play on, build confidence, and grow together**

Create Music Academy is a great place to develop your music skills in a fun and creative environment. Running from Mon 29 June - Fri 17 Jul 2026 in multiple venues across Sussex.

[createmusic.org.uk/create-music-academy](http://createmusic.org.uk/create-music-academy)

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The Inaugural Ashdown Forest Open Studios will run from Friday 4th, Saturday 5th & Sunday 6th September 2026.

Gala event at The Ashdown Forest Centre on Friday 4th September

### Artists & Makers

If you work or live in or around the Ashdown Forest

You are invited to join us for the 1st Ashdown Forest Open Studios

For more information & to register

Visit

[www.ashdownforestopenstudios.co.uk](http://www.ashdownforestopenstudios.co.uk)



## The Parenting Team

Being a parent is a journey...  
Let's make it a positive one!

For more information about our free courses, groups webinars and events. Scan the QR code



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## Exploring New Directions



**PeopleMatter**  
supporting jobseekers  
since 1997  
[www.people-matter.org.uk](http://www.people-matter.org.uk)

For Eastbourne and Wealden residents

### Helping Parents Grow, So Children Can Thrive

Practical workshops designed to help parents:

- reconnect with their strengths
- explore new job, training, or volunteering opportunities
- build confidence and wellbeing
- learn simple ways to encourage and support their children's aspirations

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