

St Mary's Church of England Primary School, Dover



Learning for life with God as our guide

Friday, 15th November 2024



Our Christian Values

Peace; Friendship; Respect; Trust; Perseverance



A Message from Mrs Comfort

Anti-Bullying and Mental Health Week

This week we have been observing our annual Anti-Bullying and Mental Health Week, using the 2024 national theme of "Choose Respect". Children came to school in odd socks on Tuesday to celebrate and support everyone being unique. In lessons each class has explored ways in which we can make a difference and take a stand against bullying.



A SPOTacular Day!

We have been very pleased to support the national Children in Need fundraiser once again. Thank you for your donations towards our collection. So many children and staff have come to school (wearing superhero, yellow or Pudsey related clothing) and have brought money to donate to this amazing charity. The children did lots of fun activities during the day, including creating a Spotacular T-shirt and Pudsey Bear design to enter a class competition. We also explored the work of the BBC Children in Need charity around mental health.



Parent/Carer Consultation Meetings

We are all really looking forward to seeing you at our parent/carer teacher meetings the week after next. The deadline for choosing your appointment is **18th November**, following that we will assign the remaining time-slots. Meetings will be held in the hall, so please come to the main reception. Your child's workbooks will be available for you to look at and you will each have a 10-minute appointment with your child's class teacher. Mr Lamprell and I will also be present so do take the opportunity to speak to us too if you wish.

If you have children with you they should sit with you whilst you are waiting for your appointment and either join you at the teacher's table or continue to sit quietly on the waiting chairs; thank you for your support with this.

Your child will benefit from you attending this meeting with the class teacher. If you have not yet booked an appointment please log onto your Parentmail account and do so today.

Reception Class 2025

Do you have a child born between 1st September 2020 and 31st August 2021? If so they will be eligible to start school in September 2025. We invite families to book an appointment to come and have a look around our school at a time to suit. We have been overwhelmed with the number of New Intake Tours that Mr Lamprell has carried out already and are really pleased to meet with these families. Please remember to contact the office on 01304 206887 / office@stmarysprimary.net if you or anyone you know has a child due to start school.

Wishing you all a good weekend.

Mrs Helen Comfort – Executive Headteacher

Learner of the Week

Congratulations go to the following Learners of the Week:

Class R – Turtles Class Learner of the Week is **Alex!** Alex has shown good listening skills on the carpet and wowed us with his super reading! He has also been a really kind friend to others. Well done Alex!



Class 1 – Our Learner of the Week in Starfish Class is **Arthur!** Arthur has shown great progress in his writing and has persevered to ensure that his letter formation is clear, and his writing is on the line. Well done – keep up the hard work Arthur!

Class 2 – **Catalina** is our Learner of the Week in Otters Class as she has been attentive and focused in all lessons. Catalina has produced good pieces of work in English, and used all the skills taught to be a successful writer. Keep making us proud Catalina!

Class 3 – Our Learner of the Week in Puffins Class is **Jerusha!** Jerusha has been a superstar this week and has enjoyed our English text 'How to Wash a Woolly Mammoth'. Jerusha has tried her best in PE and even had the confidence to demonstrate her dance in front of the whole class! You make us smile every day Jerusha!

Class 4 – **Jay** is Penguins Class Learner of the Week as he has demonstrated such a positive and enthusiastic attitude towards all of our learning. Jay haw wowed us in maths, and challenged himself in English using a range of fronted adverbials. Well done Jay – we are proud of you!

Class 5 – Orcas Class Learner of the Week is **Aidan!** Aidan's work has improved massively this week and he has had a brilliant week! We are all so proud of you and the amazing week you have had! Keep it up!

Class 6 – **Eddie** is our Learner of the Week in Seahorses Class as he has worked really hard on his concentration and this has paid off in his work! He has shown super perseverance in maths and can now confidently use long division, with or without remainders. A fantastic week Eddie!



Collective Worship at St Mary's CEP School, Dover

The children contributed well in Collective Worship as the focus was based around Anti-Bullying Week. The importance of respect, peace and kindness was a common theme that permeated throughout the week with the pupils being able to provide examples of how they demonstrate these attributes at school and at home. I wonder how you show peace and respect towards others? Why are these things so important in the busy-ness of our daily lives?

The school community raised awareness by wearing odd socks on Tuesday - to celebrate how we are all unique - and dressing up in yellow/spotty/superhero-themed clothing today. It is important to remember that not all children feel safe or at peace in their lives. We took time to give thanks for those who respond with care, kindness and compassion in our school, community and the wider world to make sure that all children can feel a sense of peace and happiness.

Thought for the Week

"KINDNESS IS THE
ABILITY AND
DESIRE TO HAVE A
POSITIVE IMPACT
ON OTHERS."

- RAKTIVIST



HOUSE POINTS

1st - **TEMPLE** - 298 points

2nd - **LANG** - 277 points

3rd - **RAMSEY** - 227 points

4th - **FISHER** - 181 points

Go with the Flo....

Diarrhoea and Vomiting

We have seen a slight increase in the number of children who have been off school as they have been reported as suffering with Diarrhoea and Vomiting.

A good hygiene routine is key to stopping the spread of this bug. Hand washing is one of the most important ways to prevent the spread. This applies to the child who is ill and the person looking after them.

Hands should always be washed, using liquid soap if possible:

- Before and after caring for your child
- After using the toilet
- Before eating or handling food
- After cleaning up a mess (vomit, faeces or urine)

Other ways of preventing the spread of infection are to:

- Keep a separate towel for family members who have symptoms
- Dispose promptly of used tissues and other items that your child may have coughed or sneezed on
- Wash soiled clothing, bed linen and towels in a washing machine. Use the hottest wash for that fabric
- Clean baths and washbasins thoroughly and disinfect after use
- If cleaning up diarrhoea or vomit, wash the surface with hot soapy water and disinfect before allowing to dry. If using bleach remember that it can remove the colour from fabrics and can burn the skin

Mrs Debbie Morris – Family Liaison Officer

The winning House for best
attendance this week is...
LANG !!



GOLDEN MANNER POINTS

1st - **Class R** - 84 points

Joint 2nd -

Class 2 & Class 6

82 points

Please note time and location for this sale!

Baby and Children's Nearly New Sale



Saturday 16th November 2024

10:00am - 12:30pm

Sandwich Technology School,
Deal Road, Sandwich, CT13 0FA

Clothes

Swimwear

Maternity

Equipment

Toys

Bedding

Books

Shoes

Register now to sell
If possible please avoid bringing buggies

Cash only
Please bring your own bags

Admission £1.50

Children Free

To register to sell or for more information please email:

fosis2019@yahoo.com



Sandwich Nearly New Sale

Proceeds will be split between Sandwich Infant and Junior Schools.

Term 2 2024

Monday 18th November:

Class 5 Swimming

Tuesday 19th November:

Class 1 Library Visit

Class 4 Ukulele Sessions

Multi-Skills Club – Classes 1, 2 & 3

Wednesday 20th November:

Class 5 Swimming

Thursday 21st November:

Football Club – Classes 4, 5 & 6

Friday 22nd November:

Class 6 Lantern Workshop

As always, please don't hesitate to make contact via email or telephone with any queries, comments or concerns you may have.

Helen Comfort - Executive Headteacher

Matthew Lamprell – Head of School

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<https://www.st-marys-dover.kent.sch.uk/>

<https://www.facebook.com/St-Marys-C-of-E-Primary-School-820857021275490/>

<https://twitter.com/stmarysdover>

FOR COLLECTIONS PLEASE CONTACT
PMASSISTANT@DOVER.FOODBANK.ORG.UK



Naughty November

1ST NOVEMBER - 30TH NOVEMBER

IN THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER
WE ASK KINDLY THAT EACH
ORGANISATION
PARTICIPATING IN OUR FOOD
FIGHT COLLECTION, COLLECT
CHRISTMAS SWEETS AND
TREATS.

THANKYOU FOR YOUR
PARTICIPATION.



Admission to

Primary school in Kent 2025

Apply online at

[kent.gov.uk/primaryadmissions](https://www.kent.gov.uk/primaryadmissions)

Opens Tuesday 5 November 2024 and closes at
midnight on Wednesday 15 January 2025

For children born between
1 September 2020
and **31 August 2021**,
Transferring to Primary school
in **September 2025**

What to do

Choose a school

It's important to find out more about the schools you are interested in before you decide to name them on the application form.

Read the guide to Primary admissions at www.kent.gov.uk/primaryadmissions.

You can name up to three Primary schools, inside or outside of Kent, but you must name them all on the same application.

Apply for a school place

A simple, fast, convenient process which opens **Tuesday 5 November 2024** and closes at **midnight on Wednesday 15 January 2025**.

You will first need to set up an online account. The applicant is you, the parent/carer; you will then need to add your child's details before starting an application. You will receive a confirmation email that your application has been correctly submitted.

You can log back in at any time to view the information submitted.

Receiving your offer

On offer day (**Wednesday 16 April 2025**) an email will be sent after **4pm** informing you of your offer.

You must accept or decline the school place you have been offered by **Wednesday 30 April 2025**.

A link to a guide with information you will need to provide the school with will be in your offer email.

If it has not been possible to offer your child a place in your preferred school, you have the right to appeal. You can also add their name to the school's waiting list.

Moving house during the application window will likely complicate your application and we therefore advise you to pay special attention to key dates in the admissions process. KCC has no discretionary authority to vary the process for parents who cannot complete address moves in time to make use of them for admissions purposes. If you have queries relating to this, please email the team on one of the email addresses below.

Key dates

Tuesday 5 November 2024	Online application process opens. Go to www.kent.gov.uk/primaryadmissions to register and apply.
Wednesday 15 January 2025	Online application process closes for the main round. Any amendments after this date must be emailed to kentonlineadmissions@kent.gov.uk
Wednesday 16 April 2025	Offers of school places sent to parents via email after 4pm .
Wednesday 30 April 2025	Parents should contact the school to accept/refuse the place that has been offered and can use the link in the offer email to ask for their child to be added to the waiting list of schools named on the original application.
Tuesday 20 May 2025	Appeals need to be lodged by this date to be heard before September – appeals information can be found at www.kent.gov.uk/schoolappeals . You can only appeal for schools that were named on the application form.

Need help?

Email primaryadmissions@kent.gov.uk

Full information booklet can also be viewed online at kent.gov.uk/primaryadmissions

Only one application per pupil will be accepted. If you apply online, do not complete any other form of application. Keep your login details safe and use your registered email address for all communication with the team.

The confirmation email may go to your junk/spam folder of your email – please check here before contacting our team for confirmation.

Please note applications can only be made via Kent County Council if the child resides at a Kent address. If your child does **not** reside at a Kent address, you must make an application via your Local Authority.



Lunch Menu – Week 3
Week beginning Monday 18th November 2024

If you pay for your child's cooked lunch, the cost will be **£2.50 a day**. **This payment will be made directly to the school and must be paid for in advance.** Please note payment details below: -

Name of Account - KCC RE DOVER ST MARY'S CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL
Sort Code - 60-60-08
Account Number - 83294082
Reference – [Child's Name] Lunch

		Menu - November 2024 - March 2025		
		Week One 04/11/25/11/06/01/27/01/24/02/17/03	Week Two 11/11/02/12/13/01/03/02/03/0324/03	Week Three 18/11/05/11/20/01/10/02/10/03/31/03
Monday	Option 1	Home-made Pizza	Mac n Cheese	Pea & Basil Pesto Pasta
	Option 2	Tomato Pasta	Pasta Provencale	Tomato Pasta
	served with	Pasta Peas & Sweetcorn	Garlic Dough Balls Peas & Sweetcorn	Garlic Flatbread Peas & Sweetcorn
	Option 3	*Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans	*Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans	*Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans
Tuesday	Option 1	Beef Burger	Breaded Chicken Steak	Mild Chicken Curry
	Option 2	Quorn Sausage	Veggie Nuggets	Veggie Bolognese with Pasta
	served with	Herby Diced Potatoes Baked Beans & Sweetcorn	Jacket Wedges Baked Beans & Sweetcorn	Rice Carrots & Green Beans
	Option 3	*Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans	*Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans	*Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans
Wednesday	Option 1	Chicken Pie & Gravy	Sausages with Yorkshire Pud & Gravy	Roast Pork with Gravy
	Option 2	Veggie Pie	Quorn Sausage & Gravy	Winter Vegetable Bake
	served with	Roast Potatoes Local Seasonal Vegetables & Cooks Choice	Roast Potatoes Local Seasonal Vegetables & Cooks Choice	Roast Potatoes Local Seasonal Vegetables & Cooks Choice
	Option 3	*Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans	*Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans	*Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans
Thursday	Option 1	Pork Meatballs	Lasagne	Sausage Roll Slice & Gravy
	Option 2	Meatless Meatballs	Veggie Burritos	Quorn Sausage Roll
	served with	Pasta Carrots & Green Beans	Garlic Bread Peas & Cauliflower	Mash Peas & Carrots
	Option 3	*Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans	*Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans	*Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans
Friday	Option 1	Fish Fingers	Fish Fingers	Fish Fingers
	Option 2	*Cheese Puff	Curried Veggie Pasty	*Pizza Whirl
	served with	Chips/Pasta Baked Beans & Sweetcorn	Chips/Pasta Baked Beans & Sweetcorn	Chips/Pasta Baked Beans & Sweetcorn
	Option 3	*Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans	*Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans	*Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans
Dessert		Frozen Dessert Fresh Fruit/Jelly	Frozen Dessert Fresh Fruit/Jelly	Frozen Dessert Fresh Fruit/Jelly
		Marble Sponge & Custard Fresh Fruit/Jelly	Fruit Crumble & Custard Fresh Fruit/Jelly	Chocolate Cake & Chocolate Sauce Fresh Fruit/Jelly
Dessert		Cookie Fresh Fruit/Jelly	Cookie Fresh Fruit/Jelly	Cookie Fresh Fruit/Jelly
		Raspberry Buns Fresh Fruit/Jelly	Krispie Cake Fresh Fruit/Jelly	Lemon Drizzle Cake Fresh Fruit/Jelly
Dessert		Cooks Choice of Dessert Fresh Fruit/Jelly	Cooks Choice of Dessert Fresh Fruit/Jelly	Cooks Choice of Dessert Fresh Fruit/Jelly

 Suitable for Vegetarians

 Suitable for Vegans & Vegetarians

 Contains Fish

All items are subject to availability

All items with * can be made Vegan Friendly

www.wholeschoolmeals.co.uk