

# St Mary's Church of England Primary School, Dover



Learning for life with God as our guide



Friday, 17<sup>th</sup> October 2025

## Our Christian Values

Peace; Friendship; Respect; Trust; Perseverance



## A Message from Mrs Comfort

All of sudden, it seems, Term 1 has come to an end. What a busy and fulfilling term this one has been with many good learning opportunities and experiences.

As we look forward to all that Term 2 will bring, I am very pleased to confirm with you all our brand new wrap around care provision – information about this came out last week but is below also for your reference.

### Wrap-Around Care Launching from Term 2

After-school wrap-around care will officially begin from Term 2, starting Tuesday, 28<sup>th</sup> October – this will be led by 'Jack in a Box Education'.

There will be **three sessions to choose from**, all beginning at the end of the school day:

- **Until 4:15pm – £5.50**
- **Until 5:00pm – £10.00 (includes a hot snack)**
- **Until 5:45pm – £14.00 (includes a hot snack)**

All bookings are managed easily through 'Jack in a Box's' online booking system. When registering, you will also have the opportunity to share any additional information needed to support your child.

Sessions can be booked up until **2:30pm on the same day**, giving you that extra last-minute flexibility when you need it most.



To register or book, please use the link below:

<https://jackinabox.magicbooking.co.uk/Identity/Account/Login>

If you need help with the online booking system please don't hesitate to speak to the office staff or to Mrs Morris, FLO.

This is a fantastic addition to our offer at St Mary's CEP and, with our already well-established Breakfast Club we will have safe, secure and seamless on-site provision from 8am to 5.45pm every day. We are really looking forward to welcoming the children to afterschool care and providing a fun, safe, and nurturing environment for them at the end of the school day.

### Reception Class 2026

**Do you have a child born between 1st September 2021 and 31st August 2022?** If so they will be eligible to start school in September 2026.

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.

I wish you all a good half term break. All children are due back in school on **Tuesday, 28<sup>th</sup> October** for the beginning of Term 2.

**Mrs Helen Comfort – Executive Headteacher**

## Collective Worship at St Mary's CEP School, Dover

Following on from completing their Black History Month work, the children explored the inspiring figures of Martin Luther King Jr and Harriet Tubman in Collective Worship.

The children discussed the positive impact that these individuals had on the lives of many and how views changed for the better. I wonder how Martin Luther King followed examples of Jesus set in the Bible verse, 'If someone does wrong to you, do not pay him back by doing wrong to him. Try to do what everyone thinks is right. Do your best to live in peace with everyone' (Roman 12:17-18).

Harriet Tubman used her faith in God and her knowledge of Bible stories to encourage and inspire her to stand up for freedom of all the slaves. Furthermore, pupils made links to their lives how they have shown bravery and courage in school, as well as being a 'voice for the voiceless'.

The term ended in fantastic style as a range of awards were given out, as well as our very popular Reading Raffle Prizes - well done to all the children for a super term.



### Free Family Art Workshop at Dover Museum!

Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> October 2025

10.00 - 3.00 drop in

Make a haunted room!!!!



Suitable for children aged 6+  
Children must be accompanied by a responsible adult at all times.

### Term 2 2025

#### Monday 27<sup>th</sup> October:

- STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY

#### Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> October:

- FIRST DAY OF TERM 2
- 'Jack in a Box' After School Care Begins
- Football Club

#### Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> October:

- Drama Club
- Multi-Skills Club
- Art Club

#### Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> October:

- Class 5 – Local Visit
- Class 4 – Ukulele
- Cricket Club
- Computing Club

#### Friday 31<sup>st</sup> October:

- Forest School
  - Class R – morning
  - Class 6 – Afternoon
- Science Club
- Secondary Common Application Form Deadline for Parents



## MODEL FEST



AT THE MUSEUM 10am - 4pm

18TH-26TH OCTOBER 2025

### Planes, Trains & Automobiles

A series of model displays including:

**WARHAMMER**  
40,000



**BOLT ACTION**

**SCALEXTRIC**



**& much more!**

Usual Museum entrance prices apply, see webpage

for more information



@RAF Manston History Museum

If you have any questions, please contact us at

info@rafmanston.co.uk



Subject to change due to unforeseen circumstances including, but not limited to, weather conditions, mechanical breakdowns and shortage of volunteers and/or exhibitors.



## Learner of the Week

### Congratulations go to the following Learners of the Week:

**Class R** – Turtles Class Learner of the Week is **Ruby-Rose!** Ruby-Roses' confidence has grown so much in the last few weeks. She is trying new foods at lunchtime and has also enjoyed trying our new delicious jam bagels! Ruby-Rose has shown resilience in class and is becoming braver at sharing her ideas on the carpet. Well done Ruby-Rose, we are so proud of you!

**Class 1 – Melissa C** is our Learner of the Week in Starfish Class as she has been working really hard to improve her letter formation. Melissa perseveres with letter shapes and tries hard to get them to 'sit on the line'. She is a kind friend to others and plays brilliantly on the playground. Melissa always makes good choices in the classroom and is an excellent learner. Keep up the hard work Melissa!

**Class 2** – Our Learner of the Week in Otters Class is **Delilah!** Delilah is a sweet and thoughtful girl who has shown excellent perseverance in maths. She always keeps her work neat and takes pride in her learning. Delilah demonstrates our school values of respect, friendship and perseverance in everything she does, and is a wonderful example of kindness. Well done Delilah!

**Class 3 – EVERYONE** is Puffins Class are our Learners of the Week for their kindness, cheerfulness, positivity and hard work. They have all made our supply teacher, Ms Richardson, very welcome during Term 1. Well done Puffins Class!

**Class 4** – Our Learner of the Week in Penguins Class always tries their best in everything that they do, and take such pride in their work. They are always willing to help others, without even needing to be asked! Not only this, but they do all of this with a smile on their face! They demonstrate our Christian values of friendship, trust and peace and we are all so proud of them!

**Class 5** – Orcas Class Learner of the Week is **Waleed** as he has tried very hard in his maths this week! We can see the effort that Waleed is making, even when he finds things tough. Waleed showed great empathy and respect during our recent visit to the Church, and enjoyed investigating the history of the graves. Well done Waleed – we are so proud of you!

**Class 6 – Henley** is our Learner of the Week in Seahorses Class for the brilliant effort and enthusiasm he has shown at school. Henley has impressed us in maths, and is working exceptionally hard to improve his handwriting and presentation in English. He is a wonderful role model for the class, always kind, calm and sensible. An amazing week, as always Henley! Well done!

## Go with the Flo...

### The Trussell Trust - Help through Hardship helpline



If you're worried about money and struggling to afford essentials, The Trussell Trust free helpline can help with for personalised support.

The advisers can help you get the support you need if you're struggling to afford essentials like food, heating and toiletries. They can also advise which benefits you're entitled to, guide you through any claims, and help you with emergency issues.

If you're feeling overwhelmed or struggling to cope, they can also refer you to [Mind's Infoline](#). Their advisers will provide support and information to help you take care of your wellbeing.

Call now: **0808 2082138**

Lines open Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm. Closed on public holidays.

**Mrs Debbie Morris – Family Liaison Officer**

## GOLDEN MANNER POINTS

1<sup>st</sup> – **Class 2** – 122 points

2<sup>nd</sup> – **Class 6** – 112 points

Joint 3<sup>rd</sup> – **Class 3 & Class 4** – 105 points

## HOUSE POINTS

1<sup>st</sup> – **RAMSEY** – 207 points

2<sup>nd</sup> – **TEMPLE** – 199 points

3<sup>rd</sup> – **LANG** – 172 points

4<sup>th</sup> – **FISHER** – 151 points

Admission to

# Primary school in Kent 2026

Apply online at

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

Opens Friday 7 November 2025 and closes at  
midnight on Thursday 15 January 2026

For children born between  
1 September 2021

and 31 August 2022,

Transferring to Primary school  
in September 2026

## 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](https://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 **Friday 7 November 2025 and closes at midnight on Thursday 15 January 2026**.

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 (**Thursday 16 April 2026**) 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 **Thursday 30 April 2026**.

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

<b>Friday 7 November 2025</b>	Online application process opens. Go to <a href="https://www.kent.gov.uk/primaryadmissions">www.kent.gov.uk/primaryadmissions</a> to register and apply.
<b>Thursday 15 January 2026</b>	Online application process closes for the main round. Any amendments after this date must be emailed to <a href="mailto:kentonlineadmissions@kent.gov.uk">kentonlineadmissions@kent.gov.uk</a>
<b>Thursday 16 April 2026</b>	Offers of school places sent to parents via email after 4pm.
<b>Thursday 30 April 2026</b>	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.
<b>Wednesday 13 May 2026</b>	Appeals need to be lodged by this date to be heard before September – appeals information can be found at <a href="https://www.kent.gov.uk/schoolappeals">www.kent.gov.uk/schoolappeals</a> . You can only appeal for schools that were named on the application form.

## Need help?

Email [primaryadmissions@kent.gov.uk](mailto:primaryadmissions@kent.gov.uk)

Full information booklet can also be viewed online at [kent.gov.uk/primaryadmissions](https://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.



## Thought for the Week



### Lunch Menu – Week One

Week Beginning Monday, 27<sup>th</sup> October 2025

If you pay for your child's cooked lunch, the cost will be **£2.75 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

whole school meals		MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<p><b>DATES:</b></p> <p><b>Week 1:</b> 27<sup>th</sup> Oct, 17<sup>th</sup> Nov, 8<sup>th</sup> Dec, 9<sup>th</sup> Jan, 26<sup>th</sup> Jan, 23<sup>rd</sup> Feb, 16<sup>th</sup> March.</p> <p><b>Week 2:</b> 3<sup>rd</sup> Nov, 24<sup>th</sup> Nov, 12<sup>th</sup> Jan, 2<sup>nd</sup> Feb, 2<sup>nd</sup> March, 23<sup>rd</sup> March.</p> <p><b>Week 3:</b> 10<sup>th</sup> Nov, 1<sup>st</sup> Dec, 19<sup>th</sup> Jan, 9<sup>th</sup> March, 30<sup>th</sup> March</p> <p><b>Allergens:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Gluten/Wheat</li> <li>2. Dairy/Milk</li> <li>3. Eggs</li> <li>4. Soya/Soyabeans</li> <li>5. Mustard</li> <li>6. Celery</li> <li>7. Fish</li> <li>8. Molluscs</li> <li>9. Shellfish/Crustaceans</li> <li>10. Sesame Seeds</li> <li>11. Nuts</li> <li>12. Lupins</li> <li>13. Sulphur Dioxide</li> <li>14. Peanuts</li> </ol> <p>All items with * can be made Vegam. All items with ** can be made Dairy Free.</p>	<p><b>WEEK 1</b></p> <p><b>WEEK 2</b></p> <p><b>WEEK 3</b></p> <p>All items are subject to availability.</p>	<p>Vegetable Pasta Bake <b>1</b> Garlic Bread <b>1,4</b> Mixed Vegetables.</p> <p>Jacket Potato with *Cheese &amp; Beans <b>2</b>.</p> <p>Yoghurt &amp; Fruit Compote <b>2</b> Fruit Jelly or Fresh Fruit.</p>	<p>Beef Tacos <b>1,2</b> Veggie Burrito <b>1</b> Vegetable Rice. Carrots &amp; Green Beans.</p> <p>Jacket Potato with *Cheese &amp; Beans <b>2</b>.</p> <p>Carrot Cake <b>1,3</b> Fruit Jelly or Fresh Fruit.</p>	<p>Roast Chicken, Stuffing &amp; Gravy <b>1</b> Vegetable &amp; Chickpea Tart <b>1</b> Rustic Roasties Cabbage &amp; Sweetcorn.</p> <p>Jacket Potato with *Cheese &amp; Beans <b>2</b>.</p> <p>Shortbread <b>1</b> Fruit Jelly or Fresh Fruit.</p>	<p>Pork Meatballs <b>1</b> Meatless Meatballs <b>1</b> Pasta <b>1</b> Broccoli &amp; Carrots.</p> <p>Jacket Potato with *Cheese &amp; Beans <b>2</b>.</p> <p>Lemon Cake <b>1,3</b> Fruit Jelly or Fresh Fruit.</p>	<p>Fish Fingers <b>1,7</b> *Cheese Pizza <b>1,2</b> Skin on Fries or Pasta <b>1</b> Baked Beans &amp; Sweetcorn</p> <p>Jacket Potato with *Cheese &amp; Beans <b>2</b>.</p> <p>Cooks Choice <b>1,3</b>.</p>
		<p><b>MONDAY</b></p> <p>Mixed Bean Wrap <b>1</b> Pasta <b>1</b> Peas &amp; Sweetcorn.</p> <p>Jacket Potato with *Cheese &amp; Beans <b>2</b>.</p> <p>Yoghurt &amp; Fruit Compote <b>2</b> Fruit Jelly or Fresh Fruit.</p>	<p><b>TUESDAY</b></p> <p>Chicken Tacos <b>1,2</b> Sweet Potato &amp; Spinach Dhal <b>6</b> Savoury Rice <b>6</b> Broccoli &amp; Mixed Veg.</p> <p>Jacket Potato with *Cheese &amp; Beans <b>2</b>.</p> <p>Chocolate Cake <b>1,3</b> Fruit Jelly or Fresh Fruit.</p>	<p><b>WEDNESDAY</b></p> <p>Roast Pork Veggie Meatloaf <b>1,4</b> Rustic Roasties Swede &amp; Peas.</p> <p>Jacket Potato with *Cheese &amp; Beans <b>2</b>.</p> <p>Shrewsbury Biscuit <b>1,3</b> Fruit Jelly or Fresh Fruit.</p>	<p><b>THURSDAY</b></p> <p>Beef Bolognese Veggie Bolognese Pasta <b>1</b> Carrots &amp; Sweetcorn.</p> <p>Jacket Potato with *Cheese &amp; Beans <b>2</b>.</p> <p>Chelsea Buns <b>1,4,12</b> Fruit Jelly or Fresh Fruit.</p>	<p><b>FRIDAY</b></p> <p>Fish Bites <b>1,7</b> Veggie Nuggets <b>1</b> Skin on Fries or Pasta <b>1</b> Baked Beans &amp; Peas.</p> <p>Jacket Potato with *Cheese &amp; Beans <b>2</b>.</p> <p>Cooks Choice <b>1,3</b>.</p>
		<p><b>MONDAY</b></p> <p>Tomato Pasta <b>1</b> Garlic Dough Balls <b>1,4</b> Mixed Vegetables.</p> <p>Jacket Potato with *Cheese &amp; Beans <b>2</b>.</p> <p>Yoghurt &amp; Fruit Compote <b>2</b> Fruit Jelly or Fresh Fruit.</p>	<p><b>TUESDAY</b></p> <p>Mexican Beef Tortilla Bake <b>1,2</b> *Veggie Tacos <b>1</b> Pasta <b>1</b> Carrots &amp; Peas.</p> <p>Jacket Potato with *Cheese &amp; Beans <b>2</b>.</p> <p>Joad Cookie Bun <b>1,3</b> Fruit Jelly or Fresh Fruit.</p>	<p><b>WEDNESDAY</b></p> <p>Sausages &amp; Gravy <b>1,12</b> Quorn Sausage &amp; Gravy <b>1</b> Mashed Potato Sweetcorn &amp; Baked Beans.</p> <p>Jacket Potato with *Cheese &amp; Beans <b>2</b>.</p> <p>Oat Cookie <b>1</b> Fruit Jelly or Fresh Fruit.</p>	<p><b>THURSDAY</b></p> <p>Curried Chicken Chunks <b>12</b> Vegetable Frittata <b>2,3</b> Rainbow Rice Cauliflower &amp; Peas.</p> <p>Jacket Potato with *Cheese &amp; Beans <b>2</b>.</p> <p>Marble Sponge <b>1,3</b> Fruit Jelly or Fresh Fruit.</p>	<p><b>FRIDAY</b></p> <p>Fish Fingers <b>1,7</b> *Cheese Pizza <b>1,2</b> Skin on Fries or Pasta <b>1</b> Peas &amp; Sweetcorn.</p> <p>Jacket Potato with *Cheese &amp; Beans <b>2</b>.</p> <p>Cooks Choice <b>1,3</b>.</p>

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

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

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

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