

Coxheath Primary School Newsletter 09.10.26

Dates for the diary



TERM 1

12 Oct Safeguarding Training 9.15am

12 Oct Year 2 Five and Proud 2.30pm - Thurnham KS2 Hall / Allington KS1 Hall / Bodiam Yellow Building

12 Oct Year R Biscuit Bear 'Bake Off' and biscuit sale after school KS1 playground

13 Oct Harvest Festival

13 Oct Year 6 Parents Evening 1.00pm - 6.30pm

14 Oct Year R Phonics Workshop 2.30pm

14 Oct Year 3 Trip to Wakehurst

15 Oct PTA Non-Uniform Day - Donation £1 or chocolate for the chocolate tombola

15 Oct Last day of Term

16 Oct Trust Inset Day

TERM 2

02 Nov First Day of Term

02 Nov Year 6 Bikeability (all week Monday -Friday)

03 Nov New Parent Tours (YR 2027) 9.30 - 10.30am and 1.30-2.30pm

04 Nov New Parent Tours (YR 2027) 9.30 - 10.30am and 1.30-2.30pm

09 Nov New Parent Tours (YR 2027) 9.30 – 10.30am, 1.30 -2.30pm and 5.30-6.30pm

16 Nov Year 1 Phonics Workshop 9am

18 Nov Year 1 Phonics Workshop 9am

20 Nov PTA Christmas Fair 3.00pm

25 Nov Rochester Class Assembly 9.00am

02 Dec Canterbury Class Assembly 9.00am

03 Dec Rock Steady Concert 9.15am

08 Dec Year R Nativity to Parents and siblings 9.30am

10 Dec Year R Nativity to Parents (no siblings) 2pm

18 Dec Last Day of Term

TERM 3

04 Jan Trust Inset Day

05 Jan First Day of Term

School Contact Information

School Phone Number 01622 745553

OFFICE@COXHEATH.KENT.SCH.UK **- General enquiries**

ATTENDANCE@COXHEATH.KENT.SCH.UK **- All absence related matters**

SENCO@COXHEATH.KENT.SCH.UK **- All matters for SENCO**

Meet the SEN Team

CASC@COXHEATH.KENT.SCH.UK **- Extended services booking enquiries and requests**

After School Club Emergency Number 07902 520715

PTFA@COXHEATH.KENT.SCH.UK **- All matters for the PTFA**

Curriculum Link

Please click on the link to view the curriculum page on the school website.

Message from the Headteacher

We had our first Five and Proud events this week, and it was a wonderful opportunity for the children to share the work they are proud of and talk about their learning.

These events not only give the children a purpose for their work, but knowing that they will be sharing it also encourages them to think carefully about both their learning and the presentation of their work. We hope the events gave you an opportunity to see what your children have been learning this term. As we progress through the year, we hope you will be able to see their learning journey and the progress they make over time.

We appreciate that some parents and carers may not always be able to attend these events. Please be assured that we will ensure all children have the opportunity to share their work with school leaders and other members of staff, so that everyone can celebrate their achievements and talk about their learning.

Thank you to everyone who attended and supported the children. If you have any feedback about how we could improve these events in the future, please do let us know. Your feedback is always welcome.

It was also wonderful to see that we have a significant number of reading volunteers who generously give up their time to come into school and support our drive to improve reading.

Your time and commitment have a huge impact on our pupils and benefit them greatly. Hearing children read regularly to an adult helps to develop their fluency, confidence and enjoyment of reading, while also giving them valuable opportunities to talk about and share books. Your support therefore makes a real difference to their progress.

On behalf of all the children and staff, I would like to say a huge thank you for your continued support. We truly appreciate the time you give, and you really do make a difference.

I am sure you are aware that we carefully monitor attendance across the school. In doing so, we have already noticed a significant number of children being absent from school to celebrate their birthdays.

We completely understand that birthdays are exciting and special occasions for children. However, a birthday does not warrant a day off school. Every day of learning is important, and even a single day of absence can mean that a child misses valuable learning, experiences and opportunities.

If this pattern continues, it not only impacts on your child's individual learning and attendance, but also has a significant impact on the school's overall attendance. We therefore ask that birthdays are celebrated outside of school hours wherever possible, so that children can continue to benefit from their full school experience.

Thank you for your continued support in helping us maintain strong attendance and ensuring that every child has the best possible opportunity to learn and make progress.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend and enjoy some well-deserved time together. We look forward to seeing everyone back in school next week, for our final week of learning and fun!

Giacomo Mazza

Attendance

Congratulations to **HASTINGS** class for achieving 100% attendance this week!

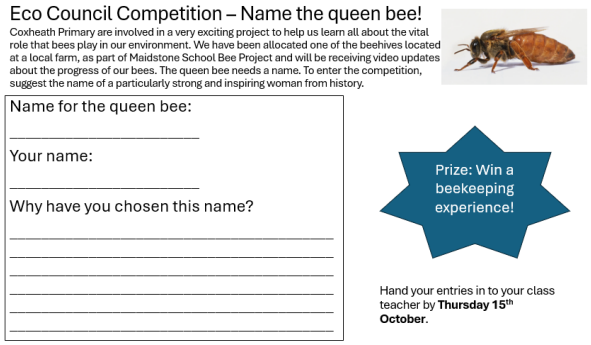
As a reward, you'll enjoy extra breaktime next week— well done for your fantastic effort and commitment.

Year	Class Percentages					
R	Dover	90.23%	Leeds	97.38%		
1	Rye	97.04%	Hever	90.00%		
2	Allington	92.96%	Thurnham	92.96%	Bodiam	97.78%
3	Hastings	100.00%	Sissinghurst	95.79%		
4	Scotney	97.57%	Tonbridge	97.92%		
5	Rochester	97.57%	Canterbury	97.52%		
6	Pevensey	94.10%	Herstmonceux	89.93%		

Harvest Festival Tuesday 13th October



Eco Council Competition - Name the Queen Bee



Eco Council Competition – Name the queen bee!

Coxheath Primary are involved in a very exciting project to help us learn all about the vital role that bees play in our environment. We have been allocated one of the beehives located at a local farm, as part of Maidstone School Bee Project and will be receiving video updates about the progress of our bees. The queen bee needs a name. To enter the competition, suggest the name of a particularly strong and inspiring woman from history.

Name for the queen bee:

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Your name:

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Why have you chosen this name?

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Hand your entries in to your class teacher by **Thursday 15th October**.

Children's Commissioner: Your school's response count for The Big Future

The Big Future is asking children and young people about their lives, their experiences and their hopes for the future. They will be using the results to build a national picture of what matters to children today and to ensure their views are heard by Government.

The survey takes just a few minutes to complete and can be accessed here:
https://www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/thebigfuture

Christmas Art Competition

We have been sent details of an exciting Christmas art competition. Please see the flyer below for information on how to take part and enter your child's artwork.



Calling *all* budding young artists

We've teamed up with FENWICK to give the children of Kent the chance to design *Kent Life* magazine's 2026 Christmas cover

To enter, youngsters must live in Kent and be in full-time education.

A selection of entries will be published in the Christmas issue – along with the child's first name, age and school.

The winner's drawing will feature on the cover.

To enter a drawing, painting or illustration simply scan and email to kentchristmascover@newsquest.co.uk with the creator's name, age and school, no later than Tuesday, October 27, 2026.

Entries must have a festive design and the judges are especially keen to see some of Kent's landmarks in there too. Entries must be text-free – so no writing on designs. Good luck!

ABOUT OUR PARTNER

In 1882, when John James Fenwick started a Paris-inspired department store in England's north-east, many thought the idea was too bold. From outfitting the pioneering British aviatrix Lady Isobel Chaytor to novel collaborations with the circus, the brand that JJ Fenwick founded has long pioneered its own style. That pioneering spirit is an inspiration for the Fenwick of today. Fenwick Canterbury is a four-storey flagship department store located on St George's Street within the Whitefriars shopping area. Fenwick in Royal Tunbridge Wells is a prominent three-story department store in Royal Victoria Place shopping centre. ● *fenwick.co.uk*

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PTFA Events


COXHEATH
PRIMARY SCHOOL
PTFA
A MAGICAL
CHRISTMAS
EXPERIENCE
SANTA'S
GROTTO
£12
PER CHILD
Includes a gift
FRIDAY 20TH NOVEMBER
3.15 – 6PM
Meet Santa
Meet The Grinch
Meet real reindeer
TICKETS ON ARBOR FROM
14TH OCTOBER
Meet Santa in his grotto at the Christmas Fair
LIMITED SPACES AVAILABLE


COXHEATH
PRIMARY SCHOOL
PTFA
CHRISTMAS
FAIR
A magical Christmas experience
FRIDAY 20 NOVEMBER 2026
3.15 – 6PM
Santa ★ Reindeer ★ Christmas carols ★ Marshmallows
Chocolate tombola ★ Christmas slime ★ Lots of stalls
Meet real reindeer



Loose Holiday Play Scheme Booking Form

Bookings are now open for our Holiday Play Scheme, based at Loose Primary School, over the 2-week October half term.

Bookings can only be made by clicking OCTOBER HOLIDAY PLAY SCHEME BOOKING FORM – Fill out form or by using the form on our school website. Please note that booking requests via email will not be processed. Bookings will close on the 12th October at 12.30pm.

You will receive an email to say we have your booking request. Please note this is not a confirmation of your booking - you will receive a separate booking confirmation email containing payment information within 72 hours.

We will be open on Friday 16th October, Monday 19th - Thursday 22nd and Monday 26th - Thursday 29th October. We will not be open on Fridays. The club runs from 8.30am-4.30pm and is open to all children from Year R to Year 6.

The cost is £27.50 per day. Your child will need to bring a packed lunch and named water bottle and snacks; please ensure all are nut free (including no chocolate nut spreads please).

The holiday club daily activities will include sports, games, craft, baking and lots of outside fun. We will potentially be swimming on Monday 19th and Monday 26th October with our qualified swimming teacher - this will be confirmed next week.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to email the holiday play scheme address holiday.playscheme@loose-primary.kent.sch.uk or call the Loose Primary school office on 01622 743 549 (term time only).

Kind regards

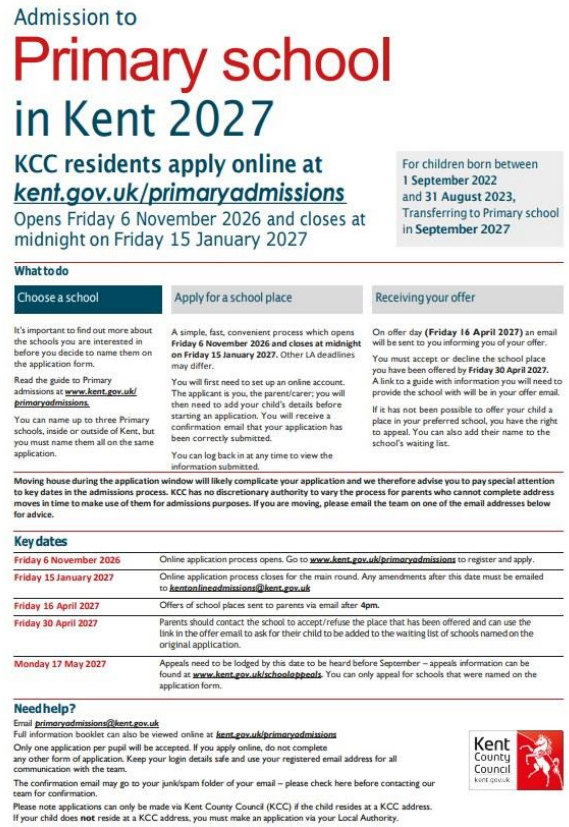
The Holiday Play Scheme Team

Reception Intake 2027 - Open Days



To sign up for a school tour for the Reception 2027 intake, please click here, or visit our website: **www.coxheath.kent.sch.uk**

Primary School Admissions



Admission to

Primary school in Kent 2027

KCC residents apply online at
kent.gov.uk/primaryadmissions
Opens Friday 6 November 2026 and closes at midnight on Friday 15 January 2027

For children born between **1 September 2022** and **31 August 2023**, Transferring to Primary school in **September 2027**

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 **Friday 6 November 2026 and closes at midnight on Friday 15 January 2027.** Other LA deadlines may differ.

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 **(Friday 16 April 2027)** an email will be sent to you informing you of your offer.

You must accept or decline the school place you have been offered by **Friday 30 April 2027.** 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 are moving, please email the team on one of the email addresses below for advice.

Key dates

Friday 6 November 2026	Online application process opens. Go to ***www.kent.gov.uk/primaryadmissions*** to register and apply.
Friday 15 January 2027	Online application process closes for the main round. Any amendments after this date must be emailed to ***kentonlineadmissions@kent.gov.uk***
Friday 16 April 2027	Offers of school places sent to parents via email after **4pm.**
Friday 30 April 2027	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.
Monday 17 May 2027	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?

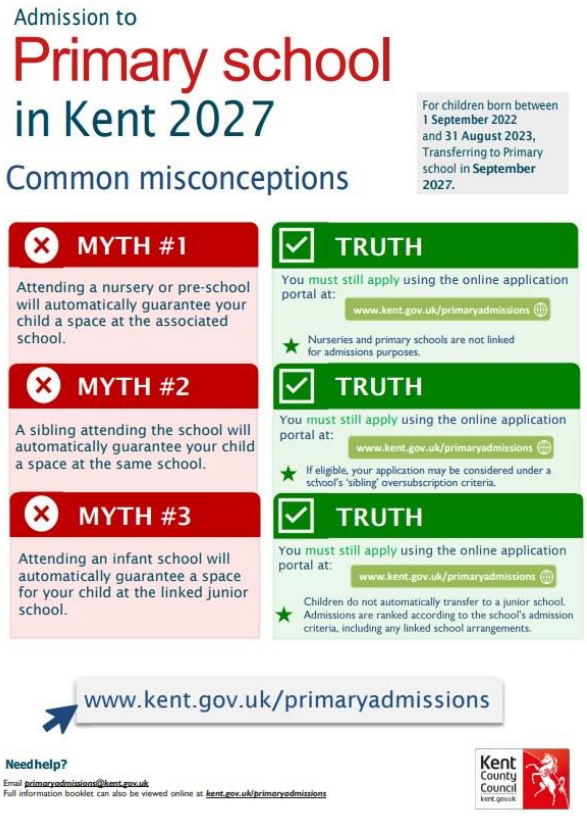
Email ***primaryadmissions@kent.gov.uk***
Full information booklet can also be viewed online at ***kent.gov.uk/primaryadmissions***

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 (KCC) if the child resides at a KCC address. If your child does **not** reside at a KCC address, you must make an application via your Local Authority.

Kent County Council kent.gov.uk



Admission to

Primary school in Kent 2027

For children born between **1 September 2022** and **31 August 2023**, Transferring to Primary school in **September 2027.**

Common misconceptions

MYTH #1

Attending a nursery or pre-school will automatically guarantee your child a space at the associated school.

TRUTH

You must still apply using the online application portal at: www.kent.gov.uk/primaryadmissions

★ Nurseries and primary schools are not linked for admissions purposes.

MYTH #2

A sibling attending the school will automatically guarantee your child a space at the same school.

TRUTH

You must still apply using the online application portal at: www.kent.gov.uk/primaryadmissions

★ If eligible, your application may be considered under a school's 'sibling' oversubscription criteria.

MYTH #3

Attending an infant school will automatically guarantee a space for your child at the linked junior school.

TRUTH

You must still apply using the online application portal at: www.kent.gov.uk/primaryadmissions

★ Children do not automatically transfer to a junior school. Admissions are ranked according to the school's admission criteria, including any linked school arrangements.

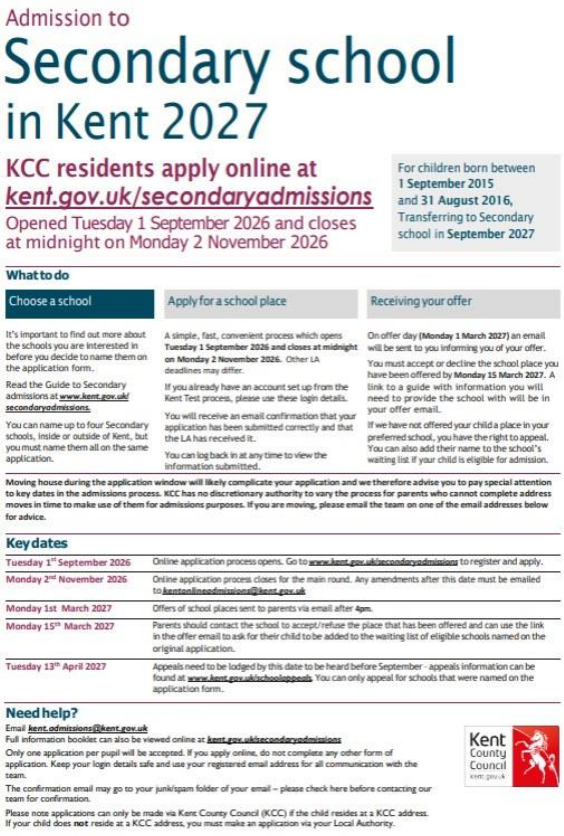
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Secondary School Information



Admission to

Secondary school in Kent 2027

KCC residents apply online at kent.gov.uk/secondaryadmissions

Opened Tuesday 1 September 2026 and closes at midnight on Monday 2 November 2026

For children born between **1 September 2015** and **31 August 2016**, Transferring to Secondary school in **September 2027**

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 Secondary admissions at **www.kent.gov.uk/secondaryadmissions**.

You can name up to four Secondary 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 1 September 2026 and closes at midnight on Monday 2 November 2026.** Other LA deadlines may differ.

If you already have an account set up from the Kent Test process, please use these login details.

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Receiving your offer

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Key dates

Tuesday 1st September 2026	Online application process opens. Go to www.kent.gov.uk/secondaryadmissions to register and apply.
Monday 2nd November 2026	Online application process closes for the main round. Any amendments after this date must be emailed to kentonlineadmissions@kent.gov.uk
Monday 1st March 2027	Offers of school places sent to parents via email after 4pm.
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Kent County Council

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If you are unable to access the online site, an alternative format can be requested by emailing kent.admissions@kent.gov.uk.

Sutton Valence School



St Simon Stock Catholic School



St Simon Stock Catholic School welcomes applications from families of Catholic and other Christian denominations, other faiths and any other parents who seek and will support the Christian ethos of our school community.



" Pupils are proud to belong to their inclusive and welcoming school. They feel highly supported by caring staff. Staff take the time to know their pupils as individuals. This includes identifying the help they need to be successful. "
OFSTED Report - Jan 2026

Starting your journey

The transition from primary school to secondary school can be an anxious time for many children and their parents. Our aim at St Simon Stock Catholic School is to make this special and important time a positive and enjoyable experience.

To assist with this, we invite children to join us for activities and events from Year 5 onwards.
For further information, visit our website: ssscs.co.uk

A School with High Expectations

At St Simon Stock Catholic School we aim to provide the best possible education for all our students by ensuring:

- **Outstanding Academic Success** – Our most recent Progress 8 score of +0.22 means students consistently exceed expectations, achieving approximately one grade higher across all subjects compared to similar schools in Maidstone.
- **Excellence in Every Subject** – From STEM to the Arts, our students thrive in a high-achieving environment, preparing them for universities, apprenticeships and future careers.
- **Whole-Child Development** – Beyond academic success, we nurture character, resilience, and wellbeing, ensuring every student is confident and well-rounded.
- **A Supportive, Values-Driven Community** – Rooted in Christian principles, we foster respect, kindness, and ambition, creating a welcoming and inspiring place to learn.
- **Engagement through House Spirit and Enrichment** – Providing opportunities for teamwork, competition, personal enjoyment, and charitable service through a vibrant House system and diverse enrichment activities.
- **Inclusion and Support** – Providing nurture and tailored pathways for students who need additional support.

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reception@ssscs.co.uk | ssscs.co.uk

St Augustine Academy







Maidstone Grammar School for Girls



Maidstone Grammar School
for Girls
Non sibi sed omnibus

MGGS Year 5 Taster Lessons!



We are excited to announce the release of dates for our next **Year 5 Taster Lesson**!

These events are a wonderful opportunity for students to experience the vibrant community and outstanding education offered at Maidstone Grammar School for Girls (MGGS).

Give your daughter the chance to ignite her curiosity with our interactive Taster Sessions. These sessions are a fantastic way for Year 5 students to get a taste of life at MGGS:

- Science 'Fireworks'
  Wednesday, 4th November 2026
  4.00-5.00pm

A dazzling hands-on lesson filled with exciting experiments!

See you there; it's going to be a "banger"!

A forward-thinking community with a tradition of excellence

Buckland Road, Maidstone, Kent ME16 0SF T: 01622 752103 E: central@mggs.org www.mggs.org

Oakwood Park Grammar School




Can't make it
on Saturday
3RD OCTOBER?
USE THE QR CODE OR HEAD TO OPGS.ORG, CLICK ON THE BANNER AND HEAD TO OPEN MORNINGS TO BOOK


PRIMARY LINKS
LEARN. EXPLORE. BELONG.
OAKWOOD PARK
GRAMMAR SCHOOL
Witches & Wizards
A SCIENCE ADVENTURE!
A spellbinding Primary Links session where science meets magic!
POTIONS
HERBOLOGY
MAGICAL SCIENCE
Explore the magical world of science through hands-on experiments and enchanting challenges!
TODAY'S LESSONS:
MAGICAL REACTIONS
WIZARDING ENERGY
SPELLBINDING SCIENCE
4PM – 5:30PM
An exciting Primary Links visit at Oakwood Park Grammar School

St Gregory's Catholic School

Where your child can discover their talents, their passions, and their excellence.



Join us for our Open Events and discover how we support your child's journey through enrichment and opportunity.

OPEN DAY
Saturday 27 June – 11.00am to 1.00pm
An opportunity to meet our staff and have a tour of the school

OPEN MORNINGS
Tuesday 7 July & Friday 18 September – 9.00am to 10.30am
Headteacher talk at 9.00am; tours at 9.15am

OPEN AFTERNOON
Wednesday 7 October – 1.20pm to 2.45pm
Headteacher talk at 1.20pm; tours at 1.35pm

OPEN EVENINGS
Wednesday 16 September & Thursday 15 October – 5.00pm to 7.30pm
Headteacher presentations at 5.15pm and 6.45pm

Find out more about our Open Events, Sports and Dance Academies.
Scan the QR code or visit:
sgschool.org.uk/open-events

St Gregory's CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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office@sgschool.org.uk | sgschool.org.uk

Welcome to St Gregory's

At St Gregory's, we believe a child's education should begin with who they are – not who they are told to become. We proudly offer a learning environment where talents are celebrated, passions are nurtured, and students are challenged to unlock their unique potential.

As a proudly Catholic, inclusive and caring co-educational school, we welcome families of all faiths and none, where every individual feels valued and supported to flourish.

Students Progress Beyond Expectations

Ranked as one of the top non-selective schools in Kent, our unwavering expectations for excellence result in many students outperforming the progress of their peers elsewhere. Our team of dedicated, highly-skilled staff are genuinely interested in the welfare and progress of each individual and, across the ability range, motivate all our students to achieve the very best they can. We are extremely proud of our students' excellent academic progress, and it is this commitment to truly knowing each child that creates an environment where students can thrive.

Enrichment Strengthens Personal Development

Alongside our rich, ambitious curriculum, students also benefit from an extensive range of sporting, cultural, physical and extra-curricular activities. This inclusive programme of enrichment ensures that every child has the opportunities they need to become a well-rounded individual and the very best version of themselves.

Scan the QR code to watch our school video and discover what truly makes St Gregory's different.

We look forward to welcoming you to St Gregory's.
Register for our Open Events : sgschool.org.uk/open-events

St Gregory's CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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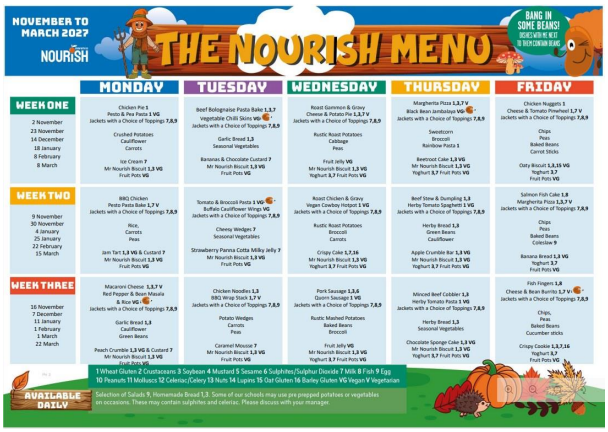
Cool Milk



Dinner Menu



Please see the new **Nourish** menu starting on WEEK 1 after half term – from Monday 2nd November.



2026/2027 Term Dates

Coxheath Primary School

ACADEMIC YEAR 2026-27

Term 1	
01.09.2026	Staff Training Day
02.09.2026	Start School
15.10.2026	Last Day of Term
16.10.2026	Staff Training Day
Term 2	
02.11.2026	Start School
18.12.2026	Last day of Term
Term 3	
04.01.2027	Staff Training Day
05.01.2027	Start School
12.02.2027	Last Day of Term
Term 4	
22.02.2027	Start School
25.03.2027	Last Day of Term
Term 5	
12.04.2027	Start School
03.05.2027	Bank Holiday
28.05.2027	Last Day of Term
Term 6	
07.06.2027	Start School
21.07.2027	Last Day of Term
Staff training days are dates when the children do not attend school	

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External Clubs held at Coxheath School

External Clubs

Gymnastics Club	Monday (After School)
Spanish Club	Wednesday (After School)
Sama Karate Club	Thursday (After School)

Rock Steady	Thursday (In School)
Irish Dancing	Friday
Make Time for Music	During school hours

Please see the Coxheath school website or notice board for more information.

https://www.coxheath.kent.sch.uk/page/?title=External+Clubs&pid=315




ROCK STEADY
A FUN AND INCLUSIVE WAY TO LEARN MUSIC
Choose from: Drums, guitar, bass, keyboard or vocals.
Accessible and hassle-free!
Takes place in school, instruments provided and no experience necessary!
Have fun and learn by playing
Children work their way through a curriculum of up to 300 musical skills.
Taught by professional musicians
Rocksteady band leaders are highly trained musicians who make learning music fun.
Much more than music
Improves wellbeing, confidence, social skills and academic achievement.
Progress at their own pace
Your child can achieve an exam-free, Ofqual-regulated Trinity music qualification!
End every term on a high note
Watch your child shine as they perform in their end of term concerts.
£46.48 per month (no payment in August). Money back guarantee for the first month.
Cancel at any time.
98%
of parents say their child loves or enjoys their Rocksteady lessons
"Rocksteady is his favourite time of the week. He can't get to school quickly enough on a Monday morning!"
Lisa
92%
of Rocksteady pupils report greater confidence and self-belief
BOOK YOUR CHILD'S PLACE ONLINE!
0330 113 0330
info@rocksteadymusicschool.com
TRINITY


ASG
working to get kids active
ACTIVE SPORTS GROUP
GYMNASTICS
Coxheath
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Parent Workshop

Me & My Child: Understanding Resilience

08/10/2026 10:30am —12:30pm

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Understanding Your Child's Behaviour

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Supporting Your Child with Worries & Fears

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Me & My Child: Understanding Resilience

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Understanding Neurodiversity

07/12/2026 12:30pm —14:30pm

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Understanding Neurodiversity

7/12/2026 12:30pm—14:30pm

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Do you have questions about neurodiversity? Maybe you would like to build on your understanding of children's different ways of experiencing the world. Would you like to come and meet with other parents and carers and learn about ways to support your child?

You are invited to a workshop about understanding neurodiversity. We also discuss helpful strategies that you can use at home to help support your child.

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Parent Workshop

The Mind, The Body and You

15/12/2026 10:30am—12:30pm

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You are invited to a workshop about understanding eating disorders/ disordered eating in primary school-aged children. We will discuss what to look out for and how to support your child at home. Including:

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- Warning signs to look out for
- Supporting our children through role modelling and active listening
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Parent Workshop

Supporting Your Child with Worries & Fears

18/11/2026 12:30pm –14:30pm

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Are your child's worries and fears starting to impact their day to day life? Would you like to come and meet with other parents and carers and learn about ways to support your children so they can manage their concerns and enjoy themselves more?

You are invited to a workshop which focusses on understanding what anxiety is, the symptoms you may notice in your child and some techniques to help manage this anxiety.

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Parent Workshop

Understanding Your Child's Behaviour

12/10/2026 10:30am -12:30pm

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Are you currently experiencing difficulties with your child at home? Would you like to come and meet with other parents and carers and learn about ways to enjoy your time more with your child?

You are invited to a workshop about understanding and communicating with your child. It will help you consider factors which influence behaviour. We also discuss techniques that you can use at home for behaviours that you feel are difficult to manage.

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Me and My Child: Understanding Resilience

08/10/2026 10:30am -12:30pm

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Would you like to come and meet with other parents and carers to reflect and generate ideas of how you can be a positive role model of resilience for your child?

You are invited to a workshop about understanding resilience and its importance in your child's development. It will help you to consider factors which can help to build your child's' resilience in the context of caring relationships.

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Creativity for Wellbeing – Book hedgehogs	Tues, 6 Oct	10am to 12 midday	Fusion Healthy Living Centre, Parkwood
Men's Sheds – guest speaker	Mon, 12 Oct	10am to 12 midday	Greensand Health Centre, Headcorn
Nurture in Nature	Tues, 13 Oct	10am to 12 midday	Mote Park Learning Space
Mindful Living	Mon, 9, 16 & 23 Nov	1 to 3pm	Maidstone Community Support Centre
Discovering Your Inner Strength and Potential	Wed, 18 & 25 Nov	10am to 12 midday	Greensand Health Centre, Coxheath
Create a Better Christmas	Wed, 2 Dec	10am to 12 midday	Greensand Health Centre, Coxheath
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Maidstone Family Hubs

Timetable

14th September 2026 - 23rd October 2026

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Our Family Hubs:

South Borough
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Stagshaw Close, Maidstone, ME15 6TL
Mon - Thur 8.30am - 4.30pm
Fri 8.30am - 4pm
Southborough@kent.gov.uk

Infozone
03000 419470
3 Palace Avenue, Maidstone, ME15 6NF
Mon 10am - 5pm
Tue-Thur 9am - 5pm
Fri 9am - 4.30pm
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Monday	**South Borough** Young Parents (Booking required) 11.30-1.30	**South Borough** Stepping Up (Booking required) 4.00-5.30 7-11 years	**Infozone** Understanding Your Child Parents of Adolescents (Booking required) 4.30-6.00		
Tuesday	**South Borough** Stay & Play 9.30-11.00	**South Borough** Baby Massage (Booking required) 1.30-2.30 2-6 months	**South Borough** Introducing Solids (Booking required) 1.30-2.30 2nd Tuesday of the month	**Infozone** Time to Shine Seniors (Booking required) 4.30-6.30 11-19 years	**Infozone** Strengthening Family Relationships (Referral only) 10.00-12.00
Wednesday	**Virtual** Online Safety for Parents 10.00-11.00	**Infozone** Baby Group 10.00-11.00 Pre walking 0-12 months	**Infozone** NCT Infant Feeding Clinic 1.00-3.00	**South Borough** Time To Shine Juniors (Booking required) 4.00-5.30 7-11years	**Infozone** Compass (11-19) (Referral only) 4.30-5.30 11+ years
Thursday	**South Borough** Talking Walk Ins 9.30-11.30 2nd Thur of the month	**South Borough** Health Visitor Clinic 1.30-3.30	**South Borough** Time To Shine Juniors (Booking required) 4.00-5.30 7-11 years	**Infozone** Youth Peer Mentoring (Booking required) 4.30-6.00 14-19 years	
Friday	**South Borough** NCT Infant Feeding Clinic 9.30-11.30	**Infozone** Baby Massage (Booking required) 10.00-11.00 2-6 months			

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Information

Time to Shine Seniors (Booking required)
Small, supportive groups for children 12+ with neurodiverse needs to build confidence and social skills through fun activities.

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Introducing Solids (Booking required)
A workshop run by the Health Visiting team to guide you through the weaning journey.
Book when baby is 4-6 months.
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Parkwood & South Borough.
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Stepping Up (Booking required)
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To express an interest please email Southboroughfh@kent.gov.uk

Understanding Your Child - Parents of Adolescents (Referral only)
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Baby Group
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Please note we hold 2 Baby Groups a week: Greenfields & Infozone.

Time To Shine Juniors (Booking required)
Small, supportive groups for children aged 8-11 years with SEND to build confidence and social skills through fun activities.
Booking required
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Virtual Online Safety (Booking required)
6 sessions for parents on supporting children to stay safe online and using technology responsibly
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Strengthening Family Relationships (Referral only)
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Maidstone Family Hubs

Timetable

14th September 2026 - 23rd October 2026

All of our groups and services are free. For groups requiring booking at all Hubs, see our web site https://www.kent.gov.uk/education-and-children/kent-family-hub

Our Family Hubs:

Parkwood
03000 412700
Furfield Close, Maidstone , ME15 9JR
Mon - Thur 8.30am - 4.30pm
Fri 8.30am - 4pm
Parkwoodfh @kent.gov.uk

Greenfields
03000 412987
Rutland Way, Maidstone , ME15 8DR
Mon - Thur 8.30am - 4.30pm
Fri 8.30am - 4pm
Greenfieldsfh @kent.gov.uk

West Borough
03000 419361
Greenway, Maidstone , ME16 8TL
Mon & Tue 8.30am - 4.30pm
Wed 8.30am-12.00pm
Closed Fridays
Westboroughfh @kent.gov.uk

Monday	**Parkwood** Health Visitor & NCT Infant Feeding Clinic 9.30-11.30	**Greenfields** Stay & Play 9.30-11.00	**West Borough** Little Bookworms 10.00-11.30 1-4 years	**Parkwood** Introducing Solids Booking required 1.30-2.30 1st Monday of the month
Tuesday	**West Borough** Health Visitor Clinic 9.30-11.30	**Greenfields** Baby Group 10.30-11.30 0-12 months, pre-walking	**Parkwood** Booking required Little Talkers 10.00-11.00	**West Borough** NCT Infant Feeding Clinic 1.00-3.00
Wednesday	**Parkwood** Booking required Baby Massage 10.00-11.00 2-6 months	**West Borough** Booking required Baby, Family & You 10.00-12.00	**West Borough** Closed From 12pm	
Thursday	**West Borough** Stay & Play 10.00-11.30	**Greenfields** Booking required Understanding Your Child 10.00-12.00	**Parkwood** Stay & Play 1.00-2.30	
Friday	**Greenfields** Twins Group 9.30-11.30 0-4 years 2nd & 4th Fri of the month	**Greenfields** Talking Walk Ins 9.30-12.00 2-4 years 1st & 3rd Fri of the month	**West Borough** Closed All Day	

Please Note: Signing in will not be available until 10 minutes before the session starts.

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Information

Baby Group
A welcoming space to bond with your baby and meet other parents. Includes songs and sensory play. For babies who are 0 - 12 months pre-walking.
Please note we hold 2 Baby Groups a week: Greenfields & Infozone.

Baby Massage (Booking required)
A 4-week course to learn soothing massage techniques to help your baby relax, sleep better and ease colic. Great for bonding. For babies 2-6 months.
Please note we have 3 Baby Massage sessions: Parkwood, Infozone & South Borough.

NCT Infant Feeding Clinic
Friendly, free infant feeding support from pregnancy through early parenthood. Trained peer supporters help you feel supported and connected. A great way to meet other parents.
Please note we hold 4 Infant Feeding clinics a week: Parkwood, South Borough, West Borough & Infozone

Understanding Your Child (Booking required)
A 10-week course helping parents understand behaviour and emotions of your child aged 0-11.

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Talking Walk Ins
Play-based session where you can speak to a speech and language therapist. Only an adult who has parental responsibility can attend. 2-4 years
Please note numbers are limited. We host 2 sessions: Greenfields & South Borough.

Little Talkers (Booking required)
A playful 6-week course for 2-5 year olds to build speech, language and attention skills.

Health Visitor Clinic
A drop in clinic for you to come along, have your baby weighed and speak to a member of the Health Visiting Team. Please arrive 15 minutes before the end of the clinic.
Please note we hold 3 Health Visitor clinics a week: Parkwood, South Borough & West Borough.

Baby, Family & You (Booking required)
5 Week Course face to face
A supportive course for expectant and new parents to build positive routines and confidence in baby's first year.
To express an interest please email Westboroughfh@kent.gov.uk

Twins Group
Group run by parents for families with multiple births. 0-5 years
2nd & 4th Friday of the month

Little BookWorms
Step into the magical world of books! 3 Fun sessions with stories and activities. Free book packs included. For children aged 1 - 4.

Stay & Play
A relaxed session for families with play, singing, stories and messy fun for children aged 0-5.
Please note we have 4 Stay & Play sessions: Greenfields, Parkwood, South Borough & West Borough.

Mid-Kent MIND Baby Massage and Perinatal Wellbeing Course (Booking required)
Being a new parent is an incredible journey but it can also feel overwhelming at times. A supportive space for you and a chance to bond with your baby. For parents with babies aged 8 weeks to 6 months.
Booking Required
https://midkentmind.org.uk/adult-services/perinatal-support/

Healthy Start Vitamins
Are you eligible for Healthy Start Vitamins?
If so, complete this form to order Healthy Start Vitamins to your door

Free Early Education
Some 2 year olds can get up to 15 hours of free childcare per week!
For more information and how to apply

Useful Contact Numbers:
Health Visiting Team
0300 013 2204

Please Note:
For Health and Safety reasons there are room capacity limits in place.

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