

School Prospectus

2026-2027

We Care. We Learn. We Forgive.





"Live life in all its fullness"

John 10:10

Welcome



A very warm welcome to Platt Church of England Primary School. We are delighted that you are considering joining our school community, and we hope this prospectus provides you with the key information you need.



As a Church of England school, our identity is rooted in our Christian ethos, inspired by the parable of the mustard seed. Where we believe that the smallest seed of hope, faith or talent can be nourished and grow into something magnificent and strong.



Our vision guides us to provide a rich and diverse educational experience, helping every child to grow into a confident, successful, and caring individual. At Platt CEP School, children feel safe, supported, and genuinely valued as part of a nurturing environment where they learn to care for one another.



I had the great privilege of becoming the Headteacher in April 2026. From the very beginning, I recognised how truly special and unique our school is. It offers a calm, welcoming atmosphere, much like a family, where every child is known, supported and encouraged to reach their full potential.



We would be delighted to welcome you for a visit. Please feel free to contact the school office (office@platt.kent.sch.uk) to arrange a tour, and we will be happy to show you around.



Warm regards,

Gemma Hunter

Mrs Gemma Hunter
Headteacher



Our Vision

*Rooted in faith, we grow together
to live life in all its fullness.*



Our Vision

“Live life in all its fullness” John 10:10

Like Jesus’ teaching in the parable of the mustard seed, we believe that children at Platt Primary are like seeds with the potential to grow and flourish as they are nurtured and encouraged to develop their unique gifts.

We are a family where we care for others and the world around us, we learn as a community and grow in wisdom and we forgive as God forgave us.

Our guiding vision statement permeates through every aspect of school life and we strive to ensure children leave us with the skills they need to live their life to the full. Our aim is that by the end of their time with us, our children are happy and confident, performing in all aspects of our curriculum to the best of their ability and equipped to succeed in the next chapter of their educational journey.

Our Values

Compassion, Friendship

Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other

Wisdom, Koinonia

Learning together. Encourage one another and build each other up

Forgiveness, Hope

Treat others the same way as you would want them to treat you



CURRICULUM

Platt Church of England Primary School

An inspiring curriculum

At Platt Church of England Primary School, we offer a dynamic and engaging curriculum designed to challenge and inspire our pupils. We regularly review and adapt our curriculum so that it reflects the evolving needs of our pupils and the world around them. Centred on high-quality literature and global themes, it empowers children to think critically, engage with the world and become advocates for its future.

Our curriculum is aligned with the National Curriculum and the Early Years Foundation Stage Statutory Framework, ensuring a comprehensive balance of knowledge and skills.

English and Mathematics are taught daily to secure well-developed core learning. Religious Education is taught weekly, helping pupils to develop a deeper understanding of themselves and others.



A broad and balanced education

Science, History, Geography, Art, Design and Technology, Relationships, Sex and Health Education, Computing, Music and Physical Education are taught throughout the week. Through engaging topics and meaningful experiences, pupils develop knowledge, skills, curiosity and a real love of learning.

Music and creativity

Music holds a special place in school life. We nurture musical expression through weekly lessons, daily singing and opportunities for children to learn an instrument. Private music lessons are available, while our school orchestra gives pupils a valuable platform on which to develop confidence and performance skills.

Computing and digital learning

In Computing, pupils use Chromebooks and iPads to develop essential digital skills. They learn programming and general computer use, alongside creative applications such as film-making and music editing.



Physical education and sport

Our pupils thrive in sport. Inclusive practice ensures that every child can participate in team games, competitions and individual activities.

Coaches from PASS PE and Dartford Football Club support the delivery of our sports curriculum and after-school clubs. Our enrichment programme is open to all pupils, providing further opportunities for physical and personal development.



Learning beyond the classroom

We enrich classroom learning through educational visits and visiting speakers whenever possible, helping pupils connect their studies with wider experiences and the world around them.

OUR SCHOOL SITE

A welcoming environment for learning, creativity and growth

A modern learning environment

Opened in 2021, our school building is light and airy, creating a calm environment for pupils and staff. Its thoughtful design allows children and their work to take centre stage.

Vaulted ceilings and carpeted floors create a natural feel that complements our indoor-outdoor ethos and our on-site Forest School.



Purpose-built facilities

The school benefits from on-site catering, a dedicated Design and Technology room and a Forest School space. These facilities help children build an appreciation of the natural world while strengthening relationships with their peers through practical and outdoor learning.

A communal library and several additional rooms provide flexible spaces for whole-class teaching, focused small-group work and tailored provision.

DESIGNED AROUND CHILDREN

- Light, calm classrooms and flexible learning spaces
- On-site catering and a dedicated Design and Technology room
- A communal library and rooms for small-group provision
- An on-site Forest School supporting practical outdoor learning

Outdoor space

Our permanent outdoor learning environment enables Reception and Year 1 pupils to learn outside throughout the day. It sits within a multi-purpose playground where all children can explore, create, play and perform.

Resources include balance bikes, ball games, building materials, a reading nook, a creative area and performance stages. It is a lively and enjoyable place in which children can develop confidence and imagination.



Play, movement and wellbeing

Children have access to a MUGA (Multi-Use Games Area), where ball games are encouraged through a daily rota. Our Parent Association has raised funds for an adventure trail, enabling pupils to climb, balance and build fitness, as well as a sun canopy that provides essential shade.

The Governors have also funded a Willow Dome, offering a quiet place for peaceful play. Our large sports fields provide space for team sports, athletics and time to sit on the grass and talk with friends.

'' *The school lives its vision in order 'to understand and respect one another'. This has resulted in strong and supportive relationships within the school, and respect and encouragement for those with differences. This is evident in the good behaviour that contributes to a calm learning environment.*

SIAMS, July 2023

School Meals

Our catering provider – Contract Dining Company – cook and serve nutritious meals onsite in our school kitchen. Pupils receive generous portions and also have access to an exotic selection of fresh fruit and a healthy salad bar.

Our catering staff are highly trained, including a high level of allergy training, and they embrace our school ethos and values to ensure our pupils feel loved and cared for throughout the school day.





SCHOOL UNIFORM

INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

- ♥ We Care
- ♥ We Learn
- ♥ We Forgive

Our school uniform helps create a strong sense of belonging, pride and community. It supports equality, reduces distractions and helps every pupil feel part of the Platt family.

RECEPTION & KEY STAGE 1

WINTER UNIFORM



- White shirt or blouse
- Dark green cardigan or V-neck jumper (optional branded)
- Grey trousers or shorts
- Grey skirt or pinafore dress
- Grey or white socks/tights

SUMMER UNIFORM



- White shirt or blouse
- Dark green cardigan or V-neck jumper (optional)
- Grey trousers or shorts
- Grey skirt or pinafore dress
- Green gingham summer dress
- Grey or white socks

KEY STAGE 2

WINTER UNIFORM



- White shirt or blouse
- School tie*
- School blazer*
- Dark green cardigan or V-neck jumper (optional branded)
- Grey trousers or shorts
- Grey skirt or pinafore dress
- Grey or white socks/tights

SUMMER UNIFORM



- White shirt or blouse
- School tie*
- School blazer* (unless advised)
- Dark green cardigan or V-neck jumper (optional)
- Grey trousers or shorts
- Grey skirt or pinafore dress
- Green gingham summer dress
- Grey or white socks



Summer uniform may be worn during Terms 1, 4, 5 and 6, or as otherwise advised by the school. Sun hats are required in warmer weather. School branded sun hats are available from the school office or Goodies.



PE KIT



INDOOR PE

- White or bottle-green polo shirt*
- Black or bottle-green shorts
- Black or bottle-green tracksuit bottoms (if required)
- Plimsolls or trainers



OUTDOOR PE

- White or bottle-green polo shirt*
- Black or bottle-green shorts
- Black or bottle-green tracksuit bottoms
- School outdoor jacket*
- Trainers



SWIMMING

- One-piece swimsuit or trunks
- Towel • Swimming hat • Goggles (optional)
- Verruca protection if required

FOOTWEAR



- Plain black, sensible and safe school shoes
- Flat shoes suitable for active school life
- Fastenings children can manage independently
- Trainers only on PE days or when authorised

JEWELLERY & APPEARANCE



MAY WEAR

- One pair of small plain stud earrings
- A simple watch



MAY NOT WEAR

- Smart watches
- Rings, bracelets or necklaces (except medical or religious reasons)
- Make-up • False nails
- Nail varnish

Jewellery must be removed for PE and swimming.

BAGS & OUTDOOR CLOTHING



- Platt school book bag*
- Small rucksack (Key Stage 2)*
- Waterproof coat
- Additional warm clothing in colder weather

KEY INFORMATION



Only 3 items are essentially branded: school tie, PE bag and school rucksack.



Branded items are available from Goodies.



Pre-loved uniform available through the PTA Uniform Shop at affordable prices.



If you need support with uniform, please contact the school.



We are here to help.

No child will be excluded from school due to difficulties with uniform. Please speak to us.



For full details, please visit:
platt.kent.sch.uk/Parents/School-Uniform

*Available to purchase from Goodies - Platt Church of England Primary School <https://www.goodies.co.uk/product-category/schools/platt-church-of-england-primary-school/>

School uniform is something that helps unite us as a school. It also removes the pressure of fashion and brands. Our school uniform is distinctive and smart and sets the tone for the learning that we complete.

Our outdoor learning is also very key. All pupils wear their PE kit on their PE days and for Forest School. All pupils are expected to wear the school PE kit and no other sports kit. We have the same high expectations as with regular uniform. We will also require that all pupils have a full set of waterproofs and wellingtons to leave in school. This will ensure we can be out in our environment come rain or shine.

New school uniform is available to order via a direct on-line ordering system from Goodies the suppliers. <https://www.goodies.co.uk/> The school office hold small items such as bottles, hats and ties. Also we have a wealth of second-hand uniform available.



THE SCHOOL DAY

A calm, purposeful rhythm for learning and growth

ARRIVAL AND REGISTRATION

Gates open at 8:35 am, with drop-off until 8:45 am. Registration closes promptly at 8:55 am.

Reception

The day begins with an independent settling activity, helping children make a smooth and confident start. Phonics follows in groups, using the principles of the Read Write Inc. programme.

After a fruit and milk break and outdoor play, the teacher introduces the learning focus to the whole class. Children then explore it through carefully planned, child-led activities, with adults guiding and extending their learning in groups.

Each week includes a dedicated PE session and a Forest School experience, giving children opportunities to move, explore and learn in the natural environment.

Lunch begins at 12:00 pm. Children sit together for a school meal or packed lunch, followed by outdoor play and a choice of activities.

Before home time, children reflect on their day and express gratitude for what they have learned. The class then shares a story before dismissal at 3:15 pm.

8:35-8:45	Gates open
8:45-8:55	Registration
9:15-9:30	Collective Worship
9:30-10:30	Lessons
10:30	Break time
10:45-12:00	Lessons
12:00-1:00	Lunch and prayer
1:00-1:05	Registration
1:05-3:00	Lessons
3:00-3:15	Reflection, prayer and story

A DAY WITH PURPOSE

Every part of the school day is designed to balance focused learning, reflection, creativity, movement and time together.

Wrap Around Care

Before and After School Programmes offers fun and affordable childcare delivered in a safe and supervised environment. Staff are expertly trained, DBS-checked to an enhanced level, first aid qualified and experienced in and passionate about the activities they offer.

- ✓ Activities designed for all ages and interests
- ✓ Create lifelong friendships over exciting adventures beyond the classroom
- ✓ Delivered by a team of expertly trained school professionals
- ✓ Weekly Children's Meetings to put them in control of their experience
- ✓ Promotes fun, curiosity and mindfulness
- ✓ Healthy Breakfast & Nutritious After School Snack available each day



Admissions

If you are interested in your child joining our school, please take a look at our admissions page on our school website for the latest admissions policy and the relevant forms. We warmly welcome you to come and visit our school in person and see for yourselves what a wonderful, family-orientated school we have. Please contact the school office to arrange a tour or [check our website for our New Entrants](#) Open Mornings in October and November.

"the main reason we chose Platt is the strong sense of community between the children, parents and teachers that we feel the school offers" Parent