

*“Building positive relationships with parents is seen as a priority at Sundridge and Brasted Primary School.”*

*"The parents that I spoke to on Assessment Day couldn't speak highly enough of the level of support that they and their children receive from the school. One parent said, "the school may be there for the child, but they've held our hands."*

*National Nurture School UK Accreditation  
July 2023*

*“What I love about Sundridge and Brasted is that we are a small, cosy school like a large family. Everyone sticks together and helps each other out.”*

*Florence, Y6*

*“Our teachers make us smart by teaching us in helpful ways. I like learning lots of things, it's fun”*

*Louie, Y3*

*"Driven by the Christian vision, the curriculum has been carefully designed to meet the needs of those it serves. For example, new knowledge and experiences captivate pupils by taking them into a world beyond theirs. Carefully chosen texts spark conversations around situations of injustice and disadvantage. As a result, pupils are successfully equipped with the language needed to discuss difference and inequality."*

*SIAMS 2024*



*“This is a thoughtful, nurturing and inclusive school. Every pupil is treated as an individual. They are genuinely loved and cared for. Staff develop strong relationships with the pupils and their families. They know each pupil really well. Pupils’ uniqueness is celebrated and their different needs are well-supported.”*

*"Pupils enjoy learning."*

*OFSTED 2023 'GOOD'*

*“All the adults are kind and help us. They make sure we are ok and celebrate good things with us.”*

*Darcey, Y5*



# Welcome and Introduction

At Sundridge & Brasted, we provide a vibrant and nurturing environment where everyone feels safe, valued, and inspired to learn. We take pride in our strong village ties, built on honesty, trust, and respect.

Our students aim high, celebrate achievements, and develop essential life skills through engaging, hands-on experiences. We equip our learners to thrive in the future as confident, curious, and proactive members of society.





# Our Approach

At Sundridge & Brasted CE Primary School, our learning approach is built on the belief that children thrive when they feel happy, settled, and safe. We recognize that strong, trusting relationships between children and adults are key to successful learning, and we prioritize getting to know each child's unique strengths and areas for development.

Our staff are committed to working closely with children, gently challenging them to ensure they reach their full potential. We place great importance on fostering resilience, independence, and social communication, helping children build meaningful relationships and develop essential life skills as they grow.



**National Nurturing  
School Award  
2023**



# Who's who?

## Senior leadership team



Tom Hardwick is our Executive Headteacher (NPQH, NPQEL).



Colette Taylor-Hicks is our Head of School.



Moira Wilson is our Inclusion Leader.



Sue Purkiss is our Business Manager.



# Who's who?

## Teaching staff



Kayleigh Gallagher is our Squirrel class teacher  
(Reception)

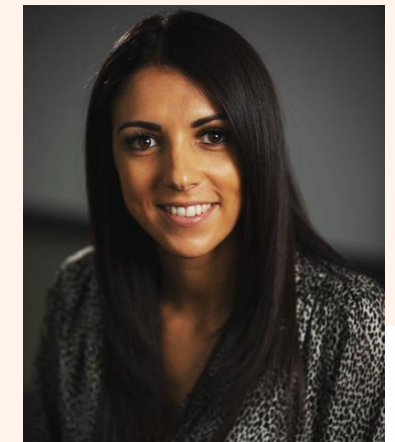


Noah Alliston is our Hedgehog class teacher  
(Years 1 and 2)



Hannah Godbeer is our Owl class teacher  
(Years 3 and 4)

Erica Cleary is our Fox class teacher (Years 5  
and 6)





## Who's who? Safeguarding team

The designated Safeguarding Leads in school are:

Tom Hardwick

Colette Taylor-Hicks

Helen Prestage



# Who's who?

## The HIVE Team



- Pastoral Care and Inclusion are incredibly important to us here at Sundridge.
- Mrs Wilson, Mrs Watson, Miss Fowler, Ms Scott and Miss Smith make up our Hive Team. They work closely with pupils and their families to make sure that all children are able to access their learning and have fun doing so. They lead on our pastoral care provision and ensure that everyone feels listened to and supported.
- We are able to offer counselling and Emotional Literacy Support as well as Drawing and Talking therapies.
- They also work with our staff to ensure that learning in class is adapted to meet everyone's needs.
- All staff work closely with parents to ensure the best care and progress for the children and in addition, Ms Scott runs weekly drop-in sessions for parents to give them an opportunity to chat and seek additional support. Tea and biscuits too!





# School Overview

## History and Reputation:

Sundridge Primary School was established in 1860 and amalgamated with Brasted Primary school in the 1970s.

The school is deeply integrated into the local community, maintaining strong ties with the parish church and local community. The school's welcoming atmosphere, committed staff, and focus on excellence ensure that every child is encouraged to reach their full potential.

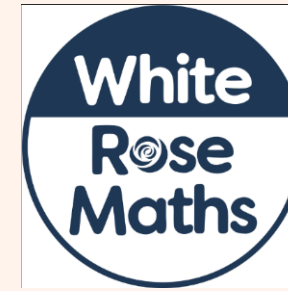
## School Environment:

We have 3 buildings: the main school building for the office, hall, library, toilets, Hedgehog, Owl and Fox class and separate buildings for Squirrel class (which includes a toilet) and Woodlands, which we use for breakfast club, afterschool club, small group teaching, meetings and piano lessons. We also have a lovely playground, and wonderful new play equipment, an outdoor classroom/quiet area and access to the Dairy Field.



# Curriculum and Learning Approach

- **Curriculum Overview:** We follow the Early Years Framework and the National Curriculum here at Sundridge & Brasted. We utilise the following schemes of learning to ensure our teaching is well planned, well sequenced, vibrant and engaging for all children:
- Early Reading – Read Write Inc.
- English – The Literacy Tree
- Maths – White Rose Maths
- Science, Geography, History, French, DT – KAPOW
- Art – Access Art
- PE – PE Planning
- RE – RE Today
- PSHE – Discover Education



# Forest School

Our reception children have a session of Forest School each week, led by Natalia Figa who is a wonderful Forest lead.

Each session is creative and fun, focusing on the natural environment, bush crafts, teamwork, and lots of play.

Sessions are held either on site or in the fields beyond St Mary's Church.



# Squirrel Class

Squirrel class have a wonderful large classroom and an outside area to play and learn. These areas change every day, following the children's interests and learning focus but here is a snapshot for you!









# Sports

We love sport at Sundridge & Brasted and are very lucky to have our very own Sports Coach, Mr Martin!

Mr Martin works with our Teachers to create really exciting PE lessons. He also takes the children to a huge variety of tournaments over the year!

PE lessons take place on site or in the Dairy Field.





# Our Houses

**Attenborough**

**Blackman**

**Farah**

**Nightingale**

We have four houses at Sundridge & Brasted, named after inspirational personalities.

All children are members of the same house throughout their time with us. House and vice captains plan and run various house competitions throughout the year focusing on different areas such as art, writing and sports, all chosen by the children. The children also compete in their house teams at Sports Day in the summer term.



# A typical school day

Breakfast Club 8:00am

Soft Start 8:30am

School Start 8:50am

Break time 10:50am

Lunch time 12:15pm

Home time 3.20pm

After School Club (Monday-Thursday)

3.20.pm-5.00pm



# Breakfast Club

- 8.00am-8.30am every morning
- Breakfast snack provided
- Suitable for all ages
- £2.50 per session



# After School Club

- Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday afternoons
- 3.20pm - 5.00pm
- Play and a light tea
- Suitable for all ages
- £10/day

# Clubs

## Lunchtime Clubs

Mondays – Cross Country

Wednesdays – Choir

Fridays - Sewing



## After School Clubs

Mondays – Football, Multisports

Tuesdays – Music Madness

Wednesdays – Spanish Speaking

Thursdays – Netball

Fridays – Street Dance



# Secondary Schools

Receiving schools include:

- Bennett Memorial
- Hillview School for Girls
- Judd Grammar School for Boys
- Knole Academy
- Leigh Academy Hugh Christie and Leigh Academy Tonbridge (formerly Hugh Christie and Hayesbrook Schools)
- Oxted School
- Trinity School
- Tunbridge Wells Boys Grammar
- Tunbridge Wells Girls Grammar
- Weald of Kent Grammar School for Girls



# School Dinners

Nourish Contract Catering provide our school dinners, which are cooked at Kemsing Primary School and transported to us each day.

There is always a choice of a main dish, vegetarian option, jacket potato, fresh fruit and a selection of desserts.

All reception children are currently entitled to a midday meal every at no charge, under the governments' 'Universal Free School Meal' scheme.

The meals are creative, healthy and tasty.



# School Uniform

Price & Buckland  
SCHOOLWEAR SINCE 1959

## Day wear for Reception children:

- Grey trousers/shorts/school tartan skirt
- Plain white polo shirt
- Red V neck knitted sweater with school logo
- Red knitted cardigan with school logo (optional)
- Red/white gingham summer dress
- Black or grey socks, black tights or white ankle socks with skirt/dress
- Black leather style school shoes



## PE Kit:

- Black shorts
- Red PE polo shirt with school logo
- Red crew neck PE sweatshirt with school logo
- Plain black tracksuit trousers without any logos
- Short white socks
- Trainers

All school uniform specific to our school is available from Price & Buckland.

# Communication with Parents

## **Parent-School Communication:**

Open door policy.

Staff available at drop off and pick up.

Quick check-ins after school when required, email, phone, weekly school newsletter (Friday).

Weekly parent drop-ins hosted by Ms Scott.

Two parents' evenings and one written report a year.

## **Involvement Opportunities:**

Join our PTA, support in school (1:1 reading or generic classroom support, support on school trips).







Squirrel class (Reception children) uses an on-line programme called 'Tapestry' which is an easy-to-use and secure online learning journal designed to help staff and families celebrate the children's learning and development. Each child has a profile, accessible by staff and the child's parents. Staff record the child's learning throughout the week and monitor progress.

We ask that parents accept the link via their email account, register themselves on the system so that they can see what is going on in class, celebrate the wonderful learning and achievements and upload their own comments, photos, news if they wish to do so.

Key messages will be put on Tapestry and parents can send memos to Squirrel staff if they have any queries.



# Next Steps and Q&A

## Applications:

Parents need to apply for primary school places online direct with KCC. [Primary school places - Kent County Council](#)

The system opens on Tuesday 5th November and will close Wednesday 15th January 2025. Parents have three choices to list in order of preference.

KCC will email you on Wednesday 16th April 2025 after 4pm to tell you which school you have been offered.

## Q&A:

Does anyone have any questions?



# Thank you for joining us!

We really hope that you have a lovely time visiting us here at Sundridge & Brasted.

If after your tour you have more questions, please do reach out to us and a member of our Senior Leadership Team would be happy to either speak with you over the phone or invite you in for a follow up meeting.

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