



Newsletter

Success with a Smile

Week ending 2nd October 2026

Message from the Head Teacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been another busy and enjoyable week at school, with lots to celebrate! This week, we were delighted to present our Head Girl, Sophie, and Head Boy, Enzo, along with our Deputy Head Girl, Amelie and Deputy Head Boy, Hudson, with their new school blazers. They look incredibly smart and I know they will take great pride in representing our school in their new roles.

We also came together to celebrate Harvest with our annual Harvest Assembly. A huge thank you to Mrs Fraser for leading such a wonderful assembly and for helping us to reflect on the importance of harvest, gratitude and giving. It was lovely to see so many children taking part and sharing in this special celebration.

Our Celebration Assembly this morning was another highlight of the week, and

it was wonderful to see so many of our children receiving their Bronze Royalty Certificates in recognition of their achievements in following our school values. We are incredibly proud of them and look forward to seeing many more certificates being awarded as the school year progresses. Well done to all of our children for another fantastic week of learning.

I hope you all have a restful and enjoyable weekend.

Mrs T. Dennis



Harvest Assembly, led by Mrs Fraser



This Week's Attendance

Whole school attendance: 96.3%

R/KS1 winners: Apple - 99.7%

KS2 winners: Pine - 99.2%

Congratulations to our winning classes this week!



Head Girl, Sophie and Head Boy, Enzo

Bikeability This week, our pupils have taken part in Bikeability cycle training, with Year 6 sessions running from Monday to Thursday and Year 4 taking part today.

Those ready for the next stage of their training had the opportunity to develop their skills by cycling safely on the roads, while others worked on building their confidence and cycling skills in the playground. It has been a fantastic opportunity for our children to develop an important life skill, helping them to become safer, more confident and more independent cyclists.



Tag Rugby Competition



On Wednesday this week, our Tag Rugby team took part in a competition at Southend Rugby Club and represented the school brilliantly throughout the day.

The team got off to a fantastic start in the group stages, winning their opening two matches. The next two games proved more challenging against some very strong opposition, leaving us with a record of two wins and two losses by the end of the morning. This was enough to secure third place in our group and qualify for the Super 10s competition.

In the afternoon, we faced four more teams and once again started strongly with a victory in our first match. Our second game was against a team we had narrowly lost to during the morning, giving us the perfect opportunity to put things right. Unfortunately, we did not produce our best rugby in the first half, but the team showed great character and determination to battle back in the second half and reduce the deficit. Despite the spirited comeback, we were unable to close the gap completely.

The third game could have gone either way, but our players demonstrated excellent teamwork, resilience and determination to come away with a well-deserved victory. This meant our final match became a decider for a place in the semi-finals.

Unfortunately, we ran out of steam, we were up against a very strong team who eventually progressed to the final.

Overall, it was a thoroughly enjoyable day, filled with excellent rugby, teamwork and sportsmanship. Most importantly, our children represented the school fantastically both on and off the field. We are incredibly proud of their efforts and the positive attitude they showed throughout the competition.

Well done, team!



Harvest 2026

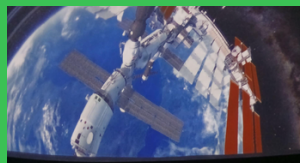
A huge thank you to all our staff and our wonderful families for your incredibly generous Harvest donations. Your kindness and support have been amazing, and we are so grateful for everything you have given.

Your donations will help support HARP, our local homeless charity. HARP works with people in our local community who are experiencing homelessness or struggling to access the essentials they need.

Thank you once again for your generosity and for helping us to celebrate the spirit of Harvest.



Planetarium Visits Prince Avenue



This afternoon, Year 5 had an exciting visit from an inflatable planetarium as part of their Science topic of Earth & Space.

The children had the opportunity to step inside the planetarium and explore the wonders of space. They learned about Apollo missions, life on the International Space Station, Black Holes, Aurora, and the planets. An amazing learning experience of awe and wonder, bringing their classroom learning to life in a fun and memorable way.

This is always a fantastic experience that encourages the children to ask questions, share their ideas and discover more about the amazing world beyond our planet.

Coming up...

Charity Non-Uniform Day



In support of

YOUNG MINDS



Wear Yellow for Non-Uniform Day, in support of 'Young Minds' a mental health charity supporting young people.

We are asking for a £1 donation per child wearing non-uniform, which should be made in via school gateway payments

Friday
9th
October

HELLO
YELLOW!

Reception Curriculum Meeting

We would like to invite Reception parents and carers to come and learn more about what we are learning in Reception. You will get key information about our school day, how you can help at home and upcoming topics.

This Reception Curriculum Meeting will be held on Thursday 8th October at 2pm in the school hall (entrance to the left of the front car park).

We look forward to seeing you all then.



Clubs

w/c 05.10.26

Monday:



- Performing Arts
- Colouring Club
- Drawing Club
- Y5 & 6 School Football Team



Tuesday:

- Y3 & 4 Football
- Archery
- TT Rockstars/Maths
- Creative Club
- Poetry Slam
- Y2 & 3 Film Club
- Y4 - 6 Film Club
- Lego Club
- Y6 Homework Club
- Chess Club

Wednesday:



- Darts
- Y5 & 6 Football
- Table Tennis
- Little Stylists
- Girls Netball
- Cookery Club

Thursday:



- Dodgeball
- Story Yoga
- Choir
- Art Club
- Basketball
- Tag Rugby
- Craft Club
- Outdoor Explorers

Friday:



Running Club
Sports Circuits
ICT Games
Papercraft



Help us win £1,000 of LEGO® Education resources!

We're taking part in the LEGO® Education Token Collect Competition and need your help!



From 26th September to 5th November, tokens will be printed in your local Echo newspaper. The more tokens our school collects, the greater our chance of winning fantastic LEGO® Education resources worth up to £1,000.

How you can help:

- Pick up a participating local Echo newspaper during the promotion period
 - Cut out and save the LEGO® Education tokens
 - Gather as many as tokens as possible and bring them to the school office
- Every token counts, so please ask family members, friends and neighbours to get involved too.

Thank you for supporting our school and helping us bring more LEGO® Education resources into the classroom!

Year 2 Moving Monsters

On Friday 9th October 2.00-2.45pm, we will be holding a DT (Design and Technology) event for parents / carers in Year 2. Due to space constraints, we ask that only one adult attend per child please. Come along and help your child make a moving monster!

Coming up...



PROSPECTIVE RECEPTION PARENT TOURS

Reception Intake 2027

September 2027/28 Reception

DATES:

TUESDAY 13TH OCTOBER AT 9.00 A.M.

THURSDAY 22ND OCTOBER AT 10.00 A.M. AND 3.30 P.M.

WEDNESDAY 4TH NOVEMBER AT 2.00 P.M.

SATURDAY 7TH NOVEMBER AT 10.30 A.M.

MONDAY 23RD NOVEMBER AT 9.00AM AND 2.00 P.M.

TUESDAY 1ST DECEMBER AT 2.00 P.M.

FRIDAY 8TH JANUARY AT 9.00 A.M AND 2.00 P.M.

TO BOOK A TOUR:



office@princeavenue.co.uk



01702 311411



We look forward to welcoming you!

School Tours and Primary Admissions

Do you have a child who is due to start school in September 2027? If so, then we would love for you to come and view our wonderful school.

Dates and times of our school tours are:

Tuesday 13th October at 9.00 A.M

Thursday 22nd October at 10.00 A.M or 3.30 P.M

Wednesday 4th November at 2.00 P.M

Saturday 7th November at 10.30 A.M

Monday 23rd November at 9.00 A.M or 2.00 P.M

Tuesday 1st December at 2.00 P.M

Friday 8th January at 9.00 A.M or 2.00 P.M

To book a place on one of our tours please contact the school office:

Telephone 01702 311411 or email office@princeavenue.co.uk

You can apply for a reception 2027 school place anytime between 14 September 2026 and 15 January 2027.

You must apply through your local authority. Therefore you would apply to Southend-on-Sea City Council if you pay your council tax to them. You must make an application to your local authority, even if your child attends our nursery.

You will receive your school place offer from your local authority on 16 April 2027



Helpful information...



Mobile Phones We do not allow the use of mobile phones on our playground. We ask that you respect this for the safeguarding purposes of all members of the PAAN community. Please approach a member of staff if you have an urgent call to take and they will support you in doing so.



Term Dates 2026/27

[Click here for 2026/27 term dates](#)



Diary Dates



INDIVIDUAL PHOTOS
Friday 23rd October



HALF TERM
Monday 26th October - Friday
30th October inclusive



INSET DAY - SCHOOL CLOSED
Monday 2nd November



FLU IMMUNISATIONS
Thursday 26TH November

Attendance Matters

Reporting Absences

Please remember that absences need to be reported on a daily basis for both school and nursery pupils. A reminder that absences should be reported by either calling the school office on 01702 311411 or messaging on School Gateway. The school office has a 24hr answerphone service so if you are not able to speak to a member of the office team, please do leave a message. Please do not send a Dojo message to the class teacher.

Appointments

We have seen an increase in the amount of appointments happening throughout the school day and we ask for your support with arranging medical, dental & optician appointments, wherever possible, outside of the school day. Where this is not possible, we're asking our families to aim for appointments after 2pm so that children have accessed most of their day's education.

Thank you for your cooperation.



How to keep in touch



Call the School Office on
01702 311411 08.00 - 16:30 Mon - Fri



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gateway app



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page



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Community Advertising

Local organisations are always keen to offer the very best opportunities and offers for our families. Please see the following pages for details.



BEST START FAMILY HUBS LAUNCH EVENT

We are pleased to invite you to the launch of Southend's Best Start Family Hubs on the **Wednesday 7th October 2026 1-3pm**

What's happening?

- Enjoy fun play activities with your child
- Discover simple ideas to support learning and development at home
- Visit The Essential Spot for information, advice and support
- Find out about local services available for children and families
- Meet the Best Start Family Hub team

Location
Friars Family Hub
Constable Way
Shoeburyness
Southend-On-Sea
SS3 9XX

One adult per child. Children must be supervised at all times.
Booking is required.
For more information or to book your place, please email or call
BSILSessionbookings@southend.gov.uk
01702 220810

BEST START IN LIFE Southend-on-Sea City Council



CHAMPIONS ACADEMY
EST. 2022 • WHERE CHAMPIONS ARE BUILT

OCTOBER HALF TERM

U5 & U6 TALENT ID DAY

Come and show us what you've got! A fun morning of football and a pathway into our grassroots squads.

DATE
Monday 26 October

TIME
10:00am - 2:00pm

VENUE
Goals, Southend

AGES
U5 & U6 • Reception & Year 1

£5 ON THE DAY

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