

MADGINFORD PRIMARY SCHOOL



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FOREWORD

As Headteacher I would like to welcome you to Madginford Primary School.

Our school is an exciting place where we strive to develop confident, self-assured young people who love to learn, to contribute and to achieve.



Children get one chance with their education and we passionately believe that their primary school experience should be magical, filled with inspirational and unforgettable learning experiences. We put the learning of every child at the heart of everything and drive relentlessly towards excellence in all that we do.

We are deeply committed to working in close partnership with parents and the local community. Visits are warmly welcomed and I look forward to meeting you.

Mrs A Woolcombe
Headteacher

Our school values:



OUR SCHOOL



Our school boasts extensive modern facilities. The tree lined playing field enhances the setting which provides a full range of sporting possibilities. There are well laid out gardens and a large open site - few schools could offer better facilities for science and nature observation.

The school also features two dedicated ICT suites, a well-stocked library, an art area with a gallery, a music room, two indoor hall spaces and an outdoor sports zone as well as four playgrounds and other spaces for children. Our hot school dinners are cooked on-site and our kitchens hold five stars for food hygiene.

The school prides itself on its friendly welcoming atmosphere where your child's talents and potential are recognised and nurtured.



We also run both on-site breakfast and after-school clubs at very competitive prices where the children enjoy playing and tucking into their food!

CURRICULUM



Subjects are organised into carefully planned themes to ensure that skills, concepts and knowledge link together to produce a purposeful outcome where children will be able to demonstrate their learning.

Maths

We want children to be inspired mathematicians who use their knowledge and deep understanding of mathematics to reason and solve problems.

Literacy

We are teaching children to read for pleasure and knowledge whilst enabling them to become skilled writers. We allow dedicated time for literacy and our 'millionaire reader' scheme allows our eminent readers to wear our prestigious purple polo shirt.



Computing is taught in our dedicated ICT suites in a cross-curricular manner using up to date software on modern equipment.

French is taught throughout the school to help promote cultural understanding and Year 5 currently undertake a visit to a boulangerie near Boulogne.

Music

Our specialist music teacher ensures children learn to play drums, keyboards & recorders as well as more specialist instruments.



Creative Arts

Our new art suite allows plenty of space which the children can use throughout their time at school to develop their creativity.

PSHE & Citizenship

We help the children develop self-confidence, independence, a sense of social justice and moral responsibility to ensure they make the most of their abilities.



PE & Sport

With our large sports field, all-weather Olympic Zone & indoor PE facilities, the school is well-equipped to provide both curricular PE education as well as additional sporting teams.



DISCIPLINE

Our school has a positive behaviour programme which strikes a healthy balance between rewards and sanctions which are clearly specified and used by all members of staff. We expect very high standards of behaviour and work hard to maintain these.



ASSESSMENT RECORDS AND REPORTS



Your child's progress will be carefully monitored as they journey through the school, including regular parent consultation evenings. Teachers ensure that children are making progress towards achieving their full potential.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

Our school has clear and high expectations for wearing our correct uniform. This helps to create a sense of belonging and equality amongst the children.



SCHOOL COUNCIL



The School Council is made up of elected pupils from each class. One of the aims is to involve our pupils in real life issues to help them develop important life skills. It also encourages them to listen to and value each other and their opinions.

ATTENDANCE

We expect excellent levels of attendance at our school. This helps the children to settle and feel part of school life. Apart from illness, time off during term time cannot be authorised except in the most exceptional circumstances and we are sure you will respect this.



OUR ADMISSIONS POLICY

If the school is oversubscribed, we adopt the KCC allocation criteria. Children with a statement of special educational need will be considered before the application of the following oversubscription criteria:



- Children in Local Authority Care or previously in Local Authority Care
- Current Family Association (Sibling Link)
- Health and Special Access Reasons
- Proximity of children's homes to school

SAFEGUARDING STATEMENT

Madginford Primary School is a community and all those directly connected (staff, governors, parents, families and pupils) have an essential role to play in making it safe and secure. The school recognises our moral and statutory responsibility to safeguard and promote the welfare of all children.

We also recognise the importance of providing an ethos and environment within school that will help children to feel safe, secure and respected; encourage them to talk openly; and enable them to feel confident that they will be listened to. We are alert to the signs of abuse and neglect and follow our procedures to ensure that children receive effective support, protection and justice.