

Sutton Valence Primary School

Encouraging respect, inspiring resilience and building positive relationships...



Welcome back to a new school year!

It has been lovely to welcome all the children back and see their smiley faces each day. The children have settled in really well with their new teachers and the teachers have been so impressed with their new classes this week!

Today we had our 'Welcome Back' assembly which focussed on our three school values—Respect, Resilience and Relationships. We used the Tale of the Three Seeds to learn how important these values are to help us be the best we can be. We all thought of a goal that we would like to work on next week that would help us to show one of the values.

Staffing Update

It has been lovely to welcome Mrs Stewart and Miss Belsey to our school team this year. They have slotted in to the team brilliantly and are very impressed with the children's behaviour and hard work.

We say a huge congratulations to Miss Hartigan who got married in the summer holidays. She will now be Mrs Spain!

Miss Hunter is now officially on Maternity Leave and we wish her all the best.

Who to Contact

Class teachers are available at the end of each day for a quick chat. If you require a more in depth chat, you may be asked to make an appointment.

A member of staff is available on the drive and at the KS1 and KS2 gates each morning from 8:45—8:55.

If you have a safeguarding question or concern, please use our new email address: safeguarding@sutton-valence.kent.sch.uk. This will ensure you are directed to a member of the safeguarding team.

For other day to day enquiries, please contact the school office.

Class Dojo

By the end of today, you should have received a QR code to join Class Dojo. This is our new platform for rewarding the positive behaviours we see in school. Children can collect points and earn rewards throughout the year. Please note that this is a FREE service and you do not need to pay for any plans to be able to see the points your child is earning at school. Just click the 'x' or 'no thank you', this will not change your experience of Class Dojo. Please note that we will not be using the messenger service. All forms of communication with your child's class teacher will remain through the above channels. Any messages sent via Class Dojo will not be read or responded to. We hope you enjoy seeing at home all of the positive behaviours your children are showing us in school!

SVGA Autumn Show—Sunday 7th September

The children have been working hard to produce their entries for the show on Sunday during Earth class.

All parents and carers are welcome especially Y2 and Y3 to see their children's entries, it is open to the public from 14.30—16.00 in Sutton Valence Village Hall.

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Notices

- Please can we ask that you make use of the whole drive during drop off in the morning. This is to make sure the flow of traffic continues, the main road doesn't get clogged up with traffic and more children are able to exit their cars in one go. If your child is in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2, you are still able to drop them off at the end of the drive and an adult will be there to ensure your child walks to the KS1 and Reception gate.
- Please can we remind you to park at the village hall and walk down when picking your child/ren up from school. Thank you to all those who do this already, it is greatly appreciated.
- Parents and Carers should only be parking up in the school car park if you are collecting your child/ren from wraparound care.
- Please can we remind you to enter and exit the village hall car park using the correct entrance and exit.
- Piano lessons are available in school this term, for more information please contact Kathy Robinson on 07930 919340 or kathyhct@gmail.com
- Instrument lessons are available in school from this term— <https://forms.gle/buMW7PEAo7y94UnV9>

Key Dates

Thursday 11th September	Y6 Kent Test	Wednesday 17th September	YR Kent Messenger class photo
Friday 19th September	Jeans for Genes Day	Friday 26th September	Macmillan Coffee Morning Details TBC
Wednesday 8th October	Individual photos and family photos	Wednesday 15th October	Y4 Lullingstone visit Details TBC
Friday 17th October	Inset day		

Sutton Valence Primary School Reception open day visits

Wednesday 1st October at 14.00
Friday 3rd October at 09.30
Wednesday 8th October at 14.00
Friday 10th October at 09.30
Wednesday 15th October at 14.00
Wednesday 5th November at 14.00
Friday 7th November at 09.30

For children starting school in September 2026

Please contact the school office to book a place

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