

MILSTEAD & FRINSTED C OF E NEWSLETTER

June 19th 2026



Dear Parents and carers,

What a wonderful first week back at Milstead! The sun has been shining and we are back to business as usual. I want to thank you all again for your support throughout our time at Bredgar and as a community we were pleased we could keep education going.

Thank you to those of you who were able to attend our celebration worship at Bredgar last week to celebrate Miss Wallis being silver Winner of teacher of the year award. We are incredibly proud of her as we are of all our teachers.



Reminders

**REMEMBER -
SPORTS DAY AND THE SUMMER
FAIR IS THE 2ND JULY 2026**

PTA

OUR PTA IS WONDERFUL!

THANK YOU TO OUR PTA FOR RUNNING THE FATHERS DAY SALE THIS PROVED REALLY POPULAR SO THANK YOU!

THURSDAY 2ND JULY WE WILL BE AT THE CRICKET GROUND FOR THE MILSTEAD SPORTS DAY AND PTA SUMMER FAIR. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO SUPPORT AND KNOW ANY LOCAL BUSINESS WHO COULD DONATE HIGHER VALUE ITEMS FOR OUR TOMBOLA PLEASE SPEAK TO KATIE, DAN OR MELLISSA FROM THE PTA.

MRS DOWLING IS THIS WEEKS STAFF SPOTLIGHT

MRS DOWLING IS RECOGNISED FOR HER OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTION TO OUR SCHOOL COMMUNITY AND THE WIDER TRUST. SHE CONSISTENTLY GIVES HER ALL, AND HER DEDICATION IS ESPECIALLY EVIDENT IN HER ORGANISATION OF THE RESIDENTIAL PROGRAMME, NOT ONLY FOR OUR OWN SCHOOL BUT ALSO FOR FOUR SCHOOLS ACROSS THE TRUST. THIS VALUABLE OPPORTUNITY HELPS TO ROUND OFF PUPILS' TIME AT MILSTEAD, WHILE ALSO ENABLING CHILDREN TO BUILD FRIENDSHIPS AND CREATE LASTING MEMORIES WITHIN OUR WIDER TRUST COMMUNITY.

HER CALM, INCLUSIVE APPROACH ENSURES THAT EVERY PUPIL FEELS SUPPORTED AND INCLUDED. MRS DOWLING ALSO PLAYED A KEY ROLE IN MOVING THE SCHOOL TO BREDGAR AND THEN BACK AGAIN, AND THIS TRANSITION WOULD NOT HAVE BEEN AS SMOOTH WITHOUT HER DETAILED KNOWLEDGE AND EXCELLENT ORGANISATIONAL SKILLS.

MRS SMITH COULD NOT DO HER JOB WITHOUT HER SUPPORT, AND THE SAME IS TRUE OF MRS DIXSON. THANK YOU, MRS DOWLING, FOR YOUR PROFESSIONALISM, KINDNESS AND COMMITMENT.

STAFF SPOTLIGHT



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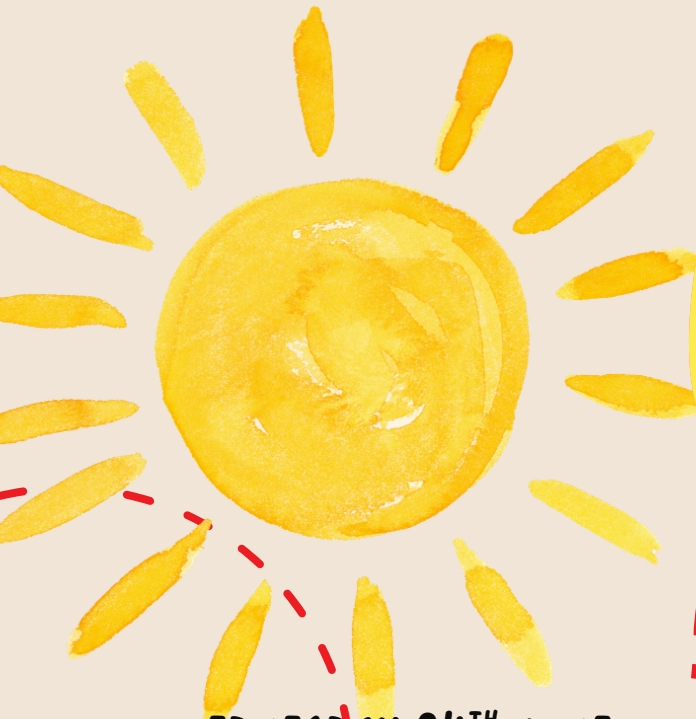
OUR AMAZING PGL TRIP



YEAR 6 REALLY ENJOYED THEIR TIME AT PGL AND
HAVE MADE MEMORIES THAT WILL LAST A LIFE TIME !



DIARY DATES 25-26



WEDNESDAY 24TH JUNE

@13:00 – 14:45

RECEPTION 26 PLAY AND STAY

THURSDAY 25TH JUNE

YEAR 6 TREAT

DAY

WEDNESDAY 1ST JULY

RECEPTION 26 PLAY AND STAY

@13:00 – 14:45

THURSDAY 2ND JULY

SPORTS DAY

TUESDAY 7TH JULY

WHOLE SCHOOL TRANSITION

TUESDAY 14TH JULY

OAK END OF YEAR PERFORMANCE

@13:30

WEDNESDAY 15TH JULY

OAK END OF YEAR PERFORMANCE

@16:00

MONDAY 20TH JULY

COMMUNITY PICNIC FOLLOWED BY

AWARDS @12 NOON

MONDAY 20TH JULY

CHURCH SERVICE @14:30

(CHILDREN TO BE COLLECTED FROM CHURCH AT 3 PM)

TUESDAY 21ST JULY

LAST DAY OF TERM

SCHOOL COUNCIL AND STEWARDS UPDATES



PARENT MAGAZINE

[HTTPS://CANVA.LINK/J4EXBTMW3CLMC7S](https://canva.link/J4EXBTMW3CLMC7S)
FOLLOW FOR THE WORK COMPLETED BY SCHOOL COUNCIL

MILSTEAD & FRINSTED CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

Admissions for 2026/2027

“ Learning together as a community so that everyone gets what they need, making the most of every opportunity, and ensuring no moment is wasted. “



WHAT MAKES US DIFFERENT:

- Small, nurturing school environment
- A truly hands on curriculum
- Endless enrichment opportunities
- Forest school sent in ancient woodland
- Inclusive and adaptive approaches
- Close links to local churches and community
- Idyllic location where children, can be children...every day is a welly boot day!

WHY CHOOSE US?

“Care and kindness are at the heart of this small, welcoming primary school. Relationships between staff and pupils are strong. Staff prioritise getting to know each family well. As a result, they are able to consider the needs of each pupil individually. Pupils are happy. They are exceptionally proud of their school.”

OFSTED 2025

Applications open on the 7th November ...
Make Milstead your school of choice for a unique experience

COMMUNITY AND WELLBEING

OUR FLO MRS MCGUANE



We are so happy to be back at Milstead! We have just over 4 weeks until the summer holidays. We all know that is a cherished time for families but it can bring mixed emotions with increased food and household costs as well as child care we will be sharing in the next few news letters support that is available and fun things that you can do over summer.

Savings Support on Energy Bills Holiday Offer - this will be updated for summer shortly

Don't forget to check out what our local family hubs have on offer!

Swale Family Hubs
For more information or to book email: Swale@kent.gov.uk

Timetable
20th April - 17th July 2026
Term Time Only and Excluding Bank Holidays

Our Family Hubs and Locations:
Milton Court Family Hub: 01622 42211
Murstons Family Hub: 01622 42211

Day	Milton Court Family Hub	Murstons Family Hub
Monday	Stay and Play 10:00 - 11:00	Little Book Worms 10:00 - 11:00
Tuesday	Compas 10:00 - 11:00	Stay and Play 10:00 - 11:00
Wednesday	Parenting Support Advice 10:00 - 11:00	Time to Shine 10:00 - 11:00
Thursday	Speak Out Youth 10:00 - 11:00	Parenting Support Advice 10:00 - 11:00
Friday	Baby Group 10:00 - 11:00	Baby Massage 10:00 - 11:00

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Woodgrove Family Hub: 01622 42211
Sittingbourne Library and Family Hub Co Location: 01622 42211

Day	Woodgrove Family Hub	Sittingbourne Library and Family Hub Co Location
Monday	Baby Family and You 10:00 - 11:00	Stay and Play 10:00 - 11:00
Tuesday	SEND Stay and Play 10:00 - 11:00	Time to Shine 10:00 - 11:00
Wednesday	Baby Massage 10:00 - 11:00	Online Safety 10:00 - 11:00
Thursday	Stay and Play 10:00 - 11:00	Together 10:00 - 11:00
Friday	Infant Feeding Support 10:00 - 11:00	Little Book Worms 10:00 - 11:00

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Leysdown Family Hub: 01622 42211
Sheppey Gateway: 01622 42211

Day	Leysdown Family Hub	Sheppey Gateway
Monday	Stay and Play 10:00 - 11:00	Stay and Play 10:00 - 11:00
Tuesday	Baby Family and You 10:00 - 11:00	Little Book Worms 10:00 - 11:00
Wednesday	Baby Group 10:00 - 11:00	Parenting Support Advice 10:00 - 11:00
Thursday	Stay and Play 10:00 - 11:00	Parenting Support Advice 10:00 - 11:00
Friday	Stay and Play 10:00 - 11:00	Parenting Support Advice 10:00 - 11:00

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Byssing Wood Family Hub: 01622 42211
Dad's Stay and Play Saturday Groups: 01622 42211

Day	Byssing Wood Family Hub	Dad's Stay and Play Saturday Groups
Monday	Baby Group 10:00 - 11:00	Woodgrove Family Hub 10:00 - 11:00
Tuesday	Parenting Support Advice 10:00 - 11:00	Murstons Family Hub 10:00 - 11:00
Wednesday	Little Book Worms 10:00 - 11:00	Byssing Wood Family Hub 10:00 - 11:00
Thursday	Healthy Child Clinic 10:00 - 11:00	Leysdown Family Hub 10:00 - 11:00
Friday	Stay and Play 10:00 - 11:00	

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Information

Baby Group A welcoming space to bond with your baby and meet other parents.	Baby Massage A weekly course to learn soothing massage techniques to help your baby relax, sleep better and enjoy life.	Childminding Group A weekly course to learn how to become a childminder.	Citizens Advice Drop-In Get support with all of your legal, financial, and social issues.
Speak Out Youth A group for young people to share their views and experiences.	Introducing Solids A course to help you introduce solids to your baby.	Little Book Worms A course to help you read to your child.	Sensory Room A room for children to play and learn.
SEND Stay and Play A group for children with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities.	Stay and Play A group for children to play and learn.	Healthy Child Clinic A clinic for children's health issues.	Time to Shine A course to help you build your child's confidence.
Family Support A group for families to share their experiences.	Family Support A group for families to share their experiences.	Family Support A group for families to share their experiences.	Family Support A group for families to share their experiences.

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Baby Family and You A supportive course for expectant and new parents to build positive relationships and confidence.	Be You - Sittingbourne A weekly meet-up for LGBTQ+ young people aged 11-19.	Compas A 10-session course helping children aged 5-11 manage emotions and develop skills to cope with life's challenges.	Healing Together A 6-week trauma-informed programme for children aged 5-11 to support emotional wellbeing and recovery.
Little Talkers A playful 6-week course for 2-5 year olds to build speech, language and attention skills.	Making It Real Practical tips and activities to help parents support early reading and writing at home.	NCT Infant Feeding Support A friendly, free infant feeding support group for parents struggling with breastfeeding.	Parenting Support Advice Drop in for friendly advice on any parenting questions.
Online Safety A fun interactive session for children covering key online safety support.	Stepping Up A 10-session course to help parents manage emotions and make friends.	Stronger Family Relationships A workshop to help parents reduce conflict and build positive family relationships.	Together A 10-week course helping parents to understand behaviour and emotions from toddler to teen years.

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I would like to wish all our families a relaxing and enjoyable weekend! Enjoy those special moments together

SEN UPDATES



Sensory Room

Swale Family Hubs

Swale Family Hub Sensory Room is a specially designed space where families can relax, explore and engage in a soothing sensory experience.

This room is available to book for private sessions, offering a peaceful environment tailored to support families.

Bysing Wood FH

-  DAY: Monday - Friday
-  Time: 9am-4pm
45min session, last session 3pm
-  Address: Lower Road, Faversham, ME13 7NU

Leysdown FH

-  DAY: Monday - Friday
-  Time: 9am-4pm
45min session, last session 3pm
-  Address: Warden Bay Road, Leysdown, ME12 4NA

Woodgrove FH

-  DAY: Monday - Friday
-  Time: 9am-4pm
45min session, last session 3pm
-  Address: Johnson Road, Sittingbourne, ME10 1JS

Booking required – click the link in description

Contact Information: swalefh@kent.gov.uk



-  Visit your local Family Hub today
-  [Kent.gov.uk/familyhub](https://kent.gov.uk/familyhub)
-  [KentFamilyHub](https://www.facebook.com/KentFamilyHub)



IF YOU THINK YOUR CHILD WOULD BENEFIT FROM SOME SENSORY INPUT THROUGH THE SUMMER BREAK THIS OFFER FROM THE FAMILY HUB IS REALLY USEFUL

FOR LOCAL SEN GROUPS:

[HTTPS://WWW.FORUSTOO.ORG/BOOKINGS/](https://www.forustoo.org/bookings/)



I WOULD LIKE TO WISH ALL THE STAFF, CHILDREN, PARENTS AND COMMUNITY A LOVELY WEEKEND AND FATHERS DAY. WE LOOK FORWARD TO THE WEEK AHEAD HAVE A WONDERFUL WEEKEND AND I LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING THOSE OF YOU JOINING US TOMORROW FOR THE CHURCH FUNDRAISER!

BEST WISHES
MRS H SMITH

