



Newsletter

Success with a Smile

Week ending 25th September 2026

Message from the Head Teacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been wonderful to see our children settling so well into the new school year and making the most of all the opportunities on offer with the start of our extra-curricular clubs this week. There really is so much on offer, with something for everyone, and there is a real sense of energy and enthusiasm for this. Extra-curricular clubs are an important part of school life and help our children to develop confidence, independence and a sense of belonging.

We were pleased to host a meeting this week, held by Southend Council and Daniel Cowan regarding the Experimental Traffic Regulation Order on Hornby Avenue. Well attended by residents, it was good to see some of our families attending and sharing their points with the council.

As a school, we will always push for improved safety for all of our community. Your part in that, we ask you as parents of our children, to RESPECT our residents by parking considerately, this includes not parking across driveways. We urge you to allow more time to travel to school and park in a safe space that ensures the safety of everyone.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support and for working in partnership with us to make Prince Avenue such a wonderful place for our children to learn and grow. I hope you all have a wonderful weekend!

Mrs T. Dennis



This Week's Attendance

Whole school attendance: 97.2%

R/KS1 winners: Walnut - 99.6%

KS2 winners: Pine - 100%

Congratulations to our winning classes this week!



Congratulations & Baby News!

We are delighted to share some lovely baby news from our school family! Two of our wonderful members of staff; Mrs Marley and Miss Diebelius have welcomed their new arrivals this week and are now beginning their maternity leave.

A huge congratulations to both families! We wish them lots of love, happiness and precious time together as they enjoy this very special new chapter with their baby boys.



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SOUTH EAST ESSEX ACADEMY TRUST

needs YOU

BECOME A SCHOOL GOVERNOR

- Influence decisions that affect the school and the wider school community.
- Help raise standards and improve outcomes for all pupils.
- Work closely with school leaders and other governors.
- Be part of a team that supports and challenges the school to be its best.

Email us to express your interest at info@seeat.org - we may have a school governor position for you.

Could You Be a Governor?

Good governance is all about people working together to make a positive difference for our children and young people.

Across SEEAT, our Trust Board provides strategic oversight and accountability across all of our schools, while our Local Governing Bodies bring valuable knowledge and insight from within individual schools and their communities.

Our local governors have a real understanding of the experiences and priorities of their school community, including areas such as attendance, safeguarding, behaviour and parental engagement. Their local knowledge and different perspectives help us to ask the right questions, provide challenge and support our schools to continue moving forward. It's a team effort, with everyone playing an important part.

Our Local Governing Body meetings are now underway for the new academic year, and we are always keen to hear from people who might be interested in becoming a governor.



Poland
Nursery 2-3 Year Old Room



Slovakia
Nursery 3 - 4 Year Old Room



Wales
The Orchard



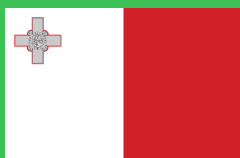
Spain
Reception



Italy
Year 1



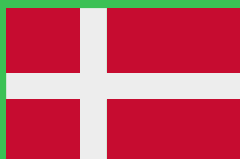
Germany
Year 2



Malta
Year 3



Finland
Year 4



Denmark
Year 5



Lithuania
Year 6

European Day of Languages

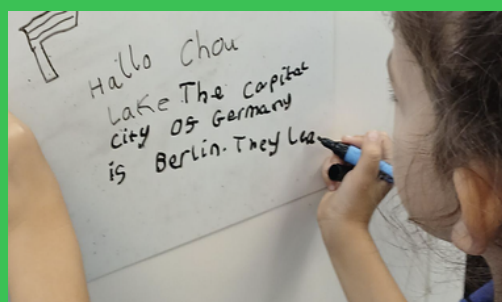


Today, we celebrated European Day of Languages with a fantastic day of learning, fun and inclusion under this year's theme, 'Languages Unite!'

European Day of Languages celebrates the wonderful linguistic diversity across Europe and encourages lifelong language learning. We are particularly lucky at Prince Avenue Academy and Nursery to have many families who speak a wide range of European and non-European languages, making this a wonderful opportunity to celebrate the languages and cultures within our school community.

Each year group was allocated a European country to explore, with classrooms proudly displaying flags and learning about their chosen country. Every child also received a 'passport' of activities, which they completed throughout the day. Once an activity was finished, their passport was stamped, giving everyone the feeling that they had travelled across Europe!

The children also enjoyed European dance workshops, including Irish dancing, which were running throughout the entire day. It was wonderful to see everyone getting involved, learning something new and celebrating the many ways that languages and cultures can bring us together.



Coming up...



Favourites Day



Thursday 1st October is Favourites Day!

We will have a special Favourites Day menu available for all children. Meals should be booked in advance via the School Gateway app, before 8.00 a.m. on the day.

The standard Favourites Day menu is shown above. Children with a special dietary menu will have been contacted directly with the options available to them.

We hope the children enjoy their favourite meals!

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HONESTLY GOOD FOOD

Clubs

w/c 28.09.26

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



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



Coming up...



🌾🍎 Harvest 2026 🍎🌾

HARP Harvest Appeal 2026

URGENTLY NEEDED:

Coffee
Sugar
Pot Noodles/Super Noodles
Tinned Meals: Curry, Chili
Breakfast cereal
Squash
Cooking Sauces
Fray Bentos Meat Pies and Puddings
Cooking Oil
Tinned Pasta: Ravioli, Macaroni
Tinned New Potatoes
Tinned Soup

NEEDED:

Biscuits
Rice
Packet Pasta Sachets
Jam
Peanut Butter
Chocolate Spread
Cup a Soup
Tinned Veg
UHT Milk
Tinned Fruit
Tinned Veg
Rice Pudding
Custard
Microwave Rice
Condiments: Mayo, BBQ etc
Crisps
Pasta

Remember to check the dates!

All our Harvest donations are going straight to support people experiencing homelessness locally, helping provide food, essentials, and care through HARP's services.

www.harphomeless.org

HARP

Harvest is a special time of year when we stop to appreciate the food and things we have, and think about how we can share with and help others.

This year, our Harvest Appeal is supporting **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.

Every donation, big or small, can make a real difference. Donations help HARP provide food, meals and essential supplies, as well as supporting people through challenging times.

We'd love our school community to come together and show just how generous we can be! Perhaps your family could choose an item or two from the donation list and bring them into school as part of our Harvest collection next week.

Thank you for helping us to show our children the importance of kindness, generosity and looking out for others. Donations can be made until Thursday 1st October.

Free School Meals Important Update



Changes to the eligibility criteria for **Income-Based Free School Meals** mean that more families on a lower income may now qualify.

We have completed checks for our new Reception pupils and contacted parents where their child is eligible. We have also contacted families in Years 1-6 who are already known to be eligible. **If you have received an email from us, no further action is required.**

If you **have not received an email**, please check your junk/spam folder. If there is still nothing, we encourage you to complete the **short online application** using the link below. You will receive an immediate YES/NO response, and any successful application is sent directly to the school—so there is nothing else you need to do. <https://fsm.lgfl.net/>

HELP US WIN UP TO £1k WORTH OF LEGO®

... COLLECT TOKENS IN YOUR LOCAL PAPER ...

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!

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.

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



Term Dates 2026/27

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

Attendance Matters

A calm, organised morning routine is one of the most effective ways to improve school attendance—because it reduces stress, avoids last-minute panic, and helps children (and adults) start the day positively.

What does a calm & organised morning routine look like?

- Night Before: Prepare uniform, pack bags, and get everything ready.
- Wake-Up Time: Keep a consistent wake-up time and allow enough time to get ready (45-60 mins before leaving).
- Simple, Predictable Routine: Get dressed. Eat breakfast. Wash & brush teeth. Leave home.
- Use Checklists: Visual checklists help children stay on track.
- Ready Zone: Keep bags, shoes and coats in one place.
- Limit Screens: Avoid TV and devices before school – this can often cause more stress when they have to put them away.
- Stay Positive: Use calm reminders and praise effort.
- Buffer Time: Aim to be ready 10 minutes earlier than needed – this can help when things go wrong.
- Emotional Support: Talk, reassure, and support any anxieties.
- Positive Send-Off: End with a smile, hug, or encouraging words



MORNING
Routine

How to keep in touch



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



Send us a message via the school gateway app



Don't forget to like our facebook page



Follow us on Instagram
@princeavenueacademynursery



Follow our SEEAT family of schools on Instagram
@seeat_academy_trust

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.

southend-on-sea
health 4 life
a healthier future for the whole family

For children and young people striving towards a healthier lifestyle

The Health4Life Team can offer healthy eating and healthy lifestyle advice to families to help them make small changes. This could be through:

- Telephone advice
- Fussy Eating & Healthy Lifestyle Workshops
- 1:1 direct support in school/clinic
- 6 Week Healthy Lifestyle Programme
- School Assemblies



To register or find out more information scan the QR code or
Call: 01702 534843
Email: health4life@southend.gov.uk


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PHYSICAL ACTIVITY

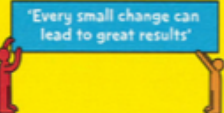


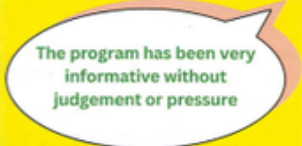



LOOKING AFTER YOUR TEETH

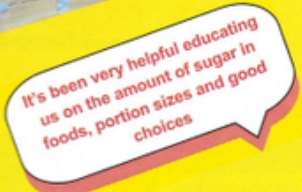



PORTION SIZES




FUSSY EATING


SNACKS & LUNCHBOX IDEAS


BODY POSITIVITY

Community Advertising

WE ACCEPT CHILDCARE VOUCHERS & OFFER TAX-FREE CHILDCARE!

MEGA CAMPS

KIDS DAY ACTIVITY CAMPS

CHILDCARE FROM 8am - 6pm

AGES 4 - 14

OCTOBER CAMP 2026

CHECK WEBSITE FOR OCTOBER LOCATIONS & DATES

WALL CLIMBING



KIDS FAVOURITE

FANCY DRESS



GO KARTING IS BACK



ANIMAL WORKSHOP



DIFFERENT MEGA ACTIVITIES, ARTS & CRAFTS 🎨 AND SPORTS ⚽ AVAILABLE EACH DAY



MULTIPLE LOCATIONS THROUGHOUT ESSEX & KENT THIS OCTOBER

CHECK WEBSITE FOR LOCATIONS & DATES

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BOOK ONLINE NOW!
WWW.MEGACAMPS.NET
OR CALL 0333 012 4378

ALL OUR STAFF ARE
DBS CHECKED