



Welcome To Tenterden Church of England School

We are part of a Multi-Academy Trust with Tenterden Church of England Junior School, Rolvenden Primary School, St Michaels Primary School and Homewood School and Sixth Form Centre.



WITH GOD AS OUR COMPANION, WE LEARN, GROW AND FLOURISH.

Together, all the governors, parents/carers, children and staff work as a caring team to create a flourishing community growing like the mustard seed into a beautiful tree.

We learn together and support each other to grow in our skills, knowledge and understanding through our inspiring, engaging curriculum.

We create happy learning environments in which equal opportunities for all thrives and safeguarding is paramount.

We celebrate all achievements and enjoy our time in school; caring for each other and building strong relationships. We value pupil voice and work as one to take care of each other as we learn and play.

OUR SCHOOL

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SCHOOL STRUCTURE

Class Structure 2026–2027

- The school structure is reviewed annually and is based on pupil numbers and dependent on the number of children on roll in the October census. We aim to have two classes in each year group.
- For September 2026, there will be two classes in each year group, named after endangered animals.
 - Year 3: Orangutan & Rhino
 - Year 4: Lion & Hippo
 - Year 5: Whale & Shark
 - Year 6: Pangolin & Penguin
- During Term 5, we review class organisation for the following year.
- Decisions about keeping classes together or mixing them are based on the needs of the cohort and pupil numbers.



THE SCHOOL DAY & ATTENDANCE

- School hours: 8:50am – 3:20pm
- Gates open at 8:40am. Children enter independently and begin a morning activity in their classroom.
- Gates close at 8:50am. Learning starts promptly, so please ensure children arrive on time.
- If your child is late, please report to the school office. Please tell the office the reason for lateness.
- All children are dismissed by their class teacher at 3:20pm on the front playground. Staff dismiss children in line with our safeguarding policy. Adults collecting must be named and 18+ years of age. Any changes to pick up please inform the office.
- We aim for 100% attendance which gives children the best chance of success.
- Attendance and punctuality are monitored, and support is available if needed.
- Please report absences before 9:00am each day by phoning the office.

All holidays during term time are unauthorised and may result in a penalty notice.

TRANSITION

Transition to the Junior School

Children are already familiar with many areas of the Junior School and some of the staff. Our transition programme helps build confidence and excitement for the move to Year 3.

Transition activities include:

- Visits to the Junior School
- Story time with class teacher
- Transition booklet and activities
- Four-day Transition Week in their new classroom
- Playtimes with a Year 3 buddy
- Collective worships (attend in person and virtual)
- Invitation to the Year 6 dress rehearsal
- End-of-year Junior School disco



There will be opportunities to ask questions and attend additional visits where required.

WRAP AROUND CARE

Early Birds (Morning Club at the Infant School)

8:00am – 8:50am

£2.50 per session

Drop off at the Infant School; Junior children are escorted across by staff.

After-School Club (Pick up from the Infant School)

3:20pm – 5:00pm

£10.00 per session (To secure, a place MUST be paid the term before)

Junior children are escorted to the Infant School by staff.

Both clubs are very popular and places are secured through termly bookings. Please contact Mrs Crook for availability and bookings.



SCHOOL UNIFORM

SCHOOL UNIFORM SCHOOL UNIFORM CAN BE BOUGHT ONLINE FROM: WWW.MYCLOTHING.COM

School Uniform

- School zipper fleece (for outdoor wear only) - Non compulsory
- School Sweatshirt or Cardigan (for indoor and outdoor wear)
- Terms 1-4 Blue Shirt and Tie
- Terms 5 & 6 - Light Blue Polo Shirt
- Summer dress navy check
- Trousers - Grey*
- Skirts - Grey/Navy
- Socks and tights - White, Grey or Navy (plain)**
- Shoes - Black (no boots , trainers or open toe shoes)
- Hair accessories - to be kept to a minimum, no large bows or clips.
- Earrings - All earrings are to be studs only for safety.

Children will be asked to take out any hoops or they can wear tape on them provided by the parent/carer.

* Please note some stores label tight fitting trousers as school trousers, these are not acceptable as school uniform. Please buy straight legged trousers. Please see our website for images or speak to the school if you are not sure what to buy.

** Children are permitted to wear plain knee high socks, socks must not go over the knee.

P.E.Kit

- Shorts - Black or Navy
- Polo T-shirt/T-shirt - White
- Tracksuit - Black or Navy - No logos
- Trainers (for outdoor PE)

Children come into school in their PE kit on their PE days, the teacher will be communicate these to you via Dojo.



Pre-Loved Uniform

We have a shelving unit with lots of uniform that everyone is welcome to have at anytime.

SCOPAY

SCOPAY is our secure online system that helps parents and carers stay connected with school.

Through SCOPAY, you can make payments for trips, and events, and view information about your child's account. The system is available 24/7, making it a convenient and paperless way to manage many aspects of school life from your computer, tablet or mobile phone.

Log in details will be sent out to you the first week of term.



OUR SCHOOL COMMUNITY

- **Positive Growth Mindset**
- **Golden Rules and Restorative Justice**
- **Communication and Celebration**
- **Curriculum continuity from Tenterden Infant School to Tenterden Junior School**
- **Christian Distinctiveness**
- **Christian Values**
- **TPF Website**
- **Welcome Pack Contents**



POSITIVE GROWTH MINDSET

- All staff use positive language so if a child finds something tricky they are not fixed on the fact that they can't do something, rather they can't do it YET so they try again. This links with faithfulness – believe in yourself.
- We say it is the power of the word 'YET'.
- Children are able feel safe to take risks and try their best. We focus on learning from our mistakes. In this way children make progress in their learning and remember what they have learnt.
- All staff give positive verbal feedback in a lesson to help children understand the learning and help children to make progress



Our Golden Rules

- We are gentle
- We are kind and helpful
- We listen
- We are honest
- We work hard
- We look after property

Restorative Justice

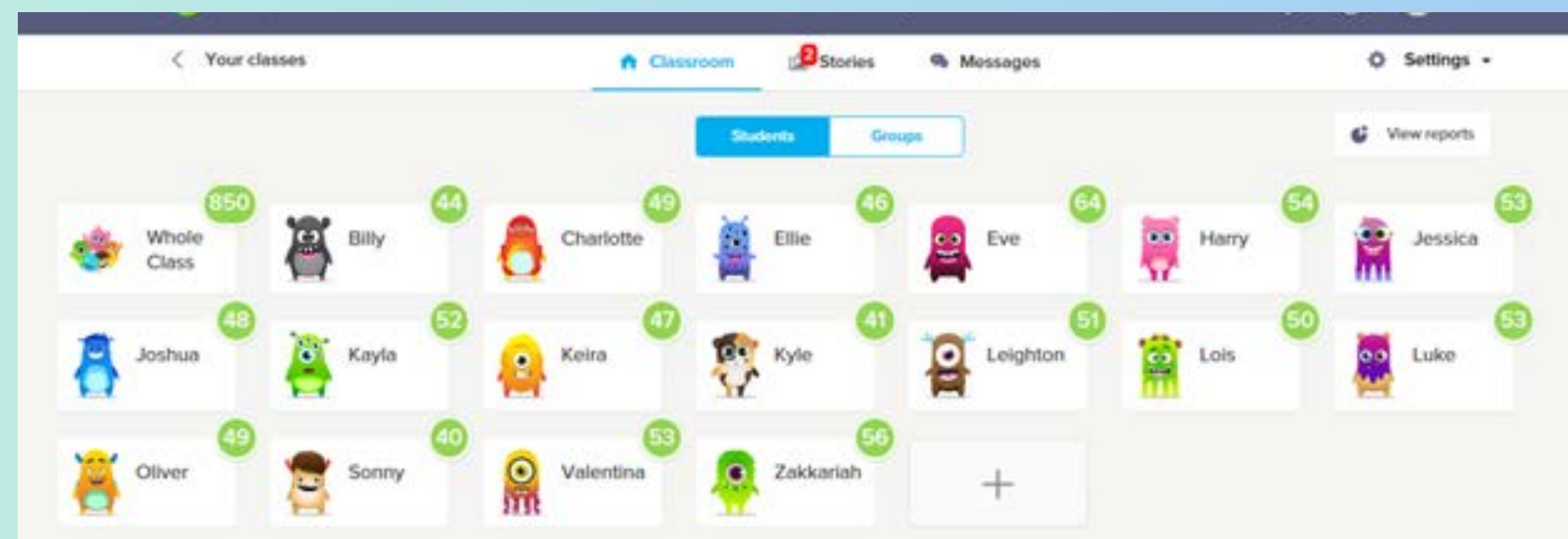
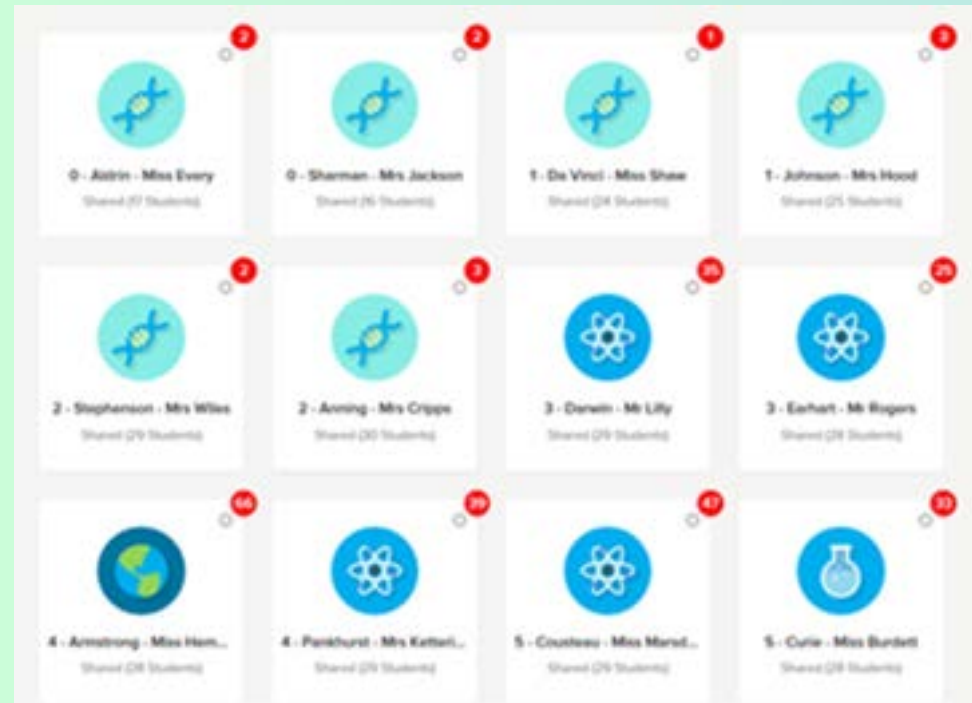
We use these questions to help children reflect on inappropriate behaviours and help them to make Wise Owl choices to move forward:

- 1.What happened?
- 2.What were you thinking?
- 3.How were you feeling?
- 4.Who's been affected/upset?
- 5.What do you need to do to make things better?
- 6.How can we all move forward?

COMMUNICATION AND CELEBRATION

We use Class Dojo to communicate with all parents/carers. Each child has their own icon and staff give reward Dojo points for achievements and effort linked to Growth Mindset, Homework and Golden Rules.

Dojo certificates are given out after achieving multiples of 50 points. Multiples of 100 are celebrated in Celebration Assemblies along with Value Award Certificates.



CURRICULUM CONTINUITY FROM TENTERDEN INFANT SCHOOL TO TENTERDEN JUNIOR SCHOOL

We are federated with Tenterden Infant School, creating a seamless learning journey from EYFS to Year 6. Staff work closely together to ensure consistency in teaching, learning and curriculum development.

Children benefit from familiar approaches, strong relationships and opportunities to learn, play and celebrate together across both schools.



Little Wandle Phonics
Talk for Writing approach to build
oracy confidence
Maths Mastery using the White Rose
Scheme and NCTEM materials



CHRISTIAN DISTINCTIVENESS

"The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed... Though it is the smallest of all seeds, yet when it grows, it is the largest of garden plants and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and nest in its branches." > — Matthew 13:31-32



We see every child as a unique, precious mustard seed. We provide a nurturing, inclusive environment where children of all backgrounds can learn, grow, and flourish with their God as their companion. Just as the mustard tree welcomes the birds of the air, we welcome visitors and each other to our school. Our children are invited to experience the togetherness through collective worship—a daily invitation to pause, reflect, and wonder—while also developing a deep curiosity and appreciation for different faiths and worldviews. We do not seek to mold everyone the same; rather, we cultivate a space where every individual feels safe, valued, and free to develop.

We are guided by our four core values.

CHRISTIAN VALUES

Love

We love because He first loved us. Love is the soil that allows our seeds to grow.

Kindness in Action: Speaking gently to one another and using encouraging words. Looking out for those who are lonely, inviting isolated peers to join in games, and celebrating everyone's differences.

Perseverance

Like the mustard seed pushing through the dark soil, we keep going even when it is hard.

Resilience: Staying focused on a task or a challenge, listening to feedback. Cheering on friends when they struggle and celebrate with them to say, 'Well done.'

Respect

We honour the unique worth of every person in our school and at home; valuing diversity.

Care for the Environment: Looking after our school building, resources, and the natural world around us. Demonstrating good manners, using "please" and "thank you," and respecting personal space and boundaries.

Faithfulness

We are reliable, trustworthy and open to the spiritual journey, learning the true meaning of commitment.

Trustworthiness: Being honest, telling the truth even when it is difficult. Entering into collective worship with an open heart and a quiet mind, respecting the invitation to pray, sing, or reflect deeply. Learning what is right from wrong.

OUR SCHOOL WEBSITE

WWW.TENTERDENPRIMARYFEDERATION.KENT.SCH.UK



The screenshot shows the homepage of the Tenterden Primary Federation website. The header is dark teal with white text for navigation: TENTERDEN PRIMARY FEDERATION, OUR SCHOOLS, SAFEGUARDING, GOVERNORS, PARENTS AND CARERS, KEY INFORMATION, TEPTA, and CONTACT US. There are also icons for social media and a search icon. The main content area features the school's name in large teal letters, a tagline, a paragraph of text, and two buttons for 'Tenterden Infant School' and 'Tenterden Church of England Junior School'. A large circular image of a child writing is on the right, with a 'Watch Video' button overlaid.

TENTERDEN PRIMARY FEDERATION OUR SCHOOLS SAFEGUARDING GOVERNORS PARENTS AND CARERS KEY INFORMATION TEPTA CONTACT US

Tenterden Primary Federation

Together, we learn, grow and flourish

We are very proud of our two schools who work together in a strong partnership, known as the Tenterden Primary Federation.

Tenterden Infant School
LEARN MORE

Tenterden Church of England Junior School
LEARN MORE


Watch Video

WELCOME PACK

- **ADMISSIONS/HEALTH/MEDICAL INFORMATION**
- **CONTACT INFORMATION**
- **DAILY ROUTINE – INFORMATION FOR PARENTS**
- **100% ATTENDANCE**
- **CLASS DOJO**
- **ADULT CODE OF CONDUCT – 1 COPY MUST BE RETURNED TO SCHOOL**
- **SCHOOL/HOME CHILD AGREEMENT – 1 COPY MUST BE RETURNED TO SCHOOL**
- **FREE SCHOOL MEALS**
- **SCHOOL MEAL REQUIREMENTS**
- **NUT ALLERGY**
- **BE SAFE ONLINE**
- **KS2 RULES FOR ACCEPTABLE USE OF ICT AND THE INTERNET**
- **DATA PROTECTION**
- **PERMISSION TO COLLECT**
- **IMAGE CONSENT**
- **ADMINISTERING MEDICINE**
- **EARLYBIRD AND LATEBIRD CLUBS**
- **SCHOOL UNIFORM**
- **PARKING CONCESSIONS**



PLEASE NOTE THAT THE FORMS IN **RED** MUST BE RETURNED TO THE JUNIOR SCHOOL BY 1ST JULY 2026. PLEASE ENSURE THAT THE OFFICE STAFF HAVE SEEN YOUR CHILD'S BIRTH CERTIFICATE.



Thank you for attending today. We look forward to continuing our partnership with you as we support your child to Learn, Grow and Flourish .