



INFORMATION FOR PARENTS



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South Brent Primary School



South Brent Primary School is a founding member of Ventrus Multi Academy chain (formally, The Primary Academies Trust). We converted to Academy status along with eight other primary schools across Devon. The Trust has now grown to include eleven Primary Schools and one secondary school.

Our chain is an exciting mix of urban and rural schools that range in size and context and are situated throughout Devon.



South Brent Primary School is at the heart of this vibrant village, which has a population of approximately 3000. There is a good range of small shops, pubs, societies and clubs.



Sited two minutes from the A38 Devon Expressway between Exeter and Plymouth, our school nestles in the Dartmoor countryside. The South Devon coast a few miles away makes this an attractive area.



We are fortunate to have a relatively new school building which is well resourced with excellent facilities and a new extension housing a demonstration site for Thrive (specialist emotional health and well being provision) and a Children's Centre provision for two days a week.



We are a group 2 school with 197 pupils currently on roll. The planned admission number is 40 pupils for most year groups.



An enthusiastic, committed and friendly staff work in 8 classes.

The School Building

The original school opened in 1877. In 1997 we were privileged to move into a new purpose built school building. The building comprises of 10 classrooms with associated resource areas, ICT suite, hall, library, kitchen, Jungle Den, offices, staffroom, play areas, access for people with disabilities and car parking.

A new extension completed in April 2011 now houses a drama hall, music room and a Children's Centre. The whole school 'family' is housed under one roof in a modern, spacious and comfortable environment with buildings well suited to the needs of the Academy, its vibrant Curriculum and to the challenges of the future.

We are an Operation Encompass school.

Operation Encompass is a partnership between the Police and designated school staff, known as Key Adults. Working together to safeguard children, the Police will inform the Key Adults within schools, prior to the start of the school day, about any incident where the child or young person has been present, or exposed to, domestic abuse.

Our Key Adults are trained to allow them to liaise with the police and to use the information that has been shared, in confidence, while ensuring that the school is able to make provision for possible difficulties experienced by children, or their families.



In every Force, in every school, for every child.

School Staff and Responsibilities

Headteacher: Mr Nick Burstow

Teaching Staff: Miss Paige Bassett
Miss Rachel Berry
Mrs Alice Faulkner
Mrs Shula Green
Mrs Rebecca Hawling
Mrs Jeni Hibbert
Mrs Alison Hilling
Mr Scott Malpas
Mr Ian Stephenson
Mr James Turner

First Aider at work: Mr Scott Malpas
Miss Charlotte Stafford

Designated Safeguarding Officers and identified key adults for Operation Encompass:

Designated Safeguarding Officer Mr Nick Burstow
Deputy Safeguarding Officer Mrs Anna Smith
Safeguarding Level 3 Trained Miss Ashleigh Houston

SENCO: Mrs Sophie Fennessey

Learning Support Assistants: Mrs Sarah Buckpitt
Miss Elizabeth Chandler
Mrs Nicol Edwards
Mrs Caroline Eugene
Miss Natasha Freeman
Mrs Tracey Friendship
Mr Matt Gibson
Mrs Rachael Grills
Ms Sasha Hancock
Mrs Alison Roberts
Mrs Lynne Scott
Mrs Abbie Skinner
Mrs Anna Smith
Mr Dan Smith
Miss Charlotte Stafford
Mrs Carol Winnington-Ingram

Business Administration Manager: Miss Ashleigh Houston

Administration Assistant: Mrs Jacqui Tidball

Curriculum Administration Support: Mrs Bonny Gregory

Catering Manager: Mrs Dawn Innocent
Catering Assistants: Miss Claire Goldsmith
Mrs Romany Morton

Premises Manager: Mr Matthew Clayton
Premises Cleaners: Mrs Tina Baker
Miss Trianda Baker

Mealtime Assistants: Miss Liz Chandler
Mrs Nicol Edwards
Miss Natasha Freeman
Mrs Rachael Grills
Mrs Sasha Hancock
Mrs Abbie Skinner
Mrs Anna Smith
Mr Dan Smith
Miss Charlotte Stafford

Other School Personnel:

Chair of Governors: Mrs Jacqui Hopper
c/o South Brent Primary School

Safeguarding Governor: Mr Bill Nolan
c/o South Brent Primary School

Clerk to Governors: Mrs. Charlotte French
c/o South Brent Primary School

Chair of School Association: Mrs D Vooght
c/o South Brent Primary School

Uniform Kit List

Any colour flat, low heeled shoe or sandal firmly secured to child's foot permitted.

Trainers permitted.

Boots **not** permitted.

Shoes with flashing lights permitted

Skates or blades **not** permitted.

Jewellery

Watches and stud earrings permitted.

Any other jewellery **not** permitted.

Headwear

Hats or headscarves are **Not** to be worn inside the school (unless by permission for a particular religious or medical reason).

Underwear

Thongs **not** permitted.

Make up and nail varnish

Make up and nail varnish **not** permitted.

The Modern Uniform Policy has three strands.

Strand One – Is a mandatory core and children are required to wear:-

Trousers, skirts or shorts

in black, grey or navy

Shirts

in white, sleeved (short or long) any style

Tops

in plain royal blue, sweatshirt, cardigan, jumper or fleece

PE Kit

blue T-shirt with school name printed on the back – purchased from school

plain black sports shorts

Strand Two – Free choices

Socks and tights – in any colour

Belts – in any colour

Footwear – in any colour but must comply with statement on footwear

Summer dresses – in blue and white – any style or pattern (checks/stripes)

Strand Three – School Range of Optional Accessories

(exhibited in our own catalogue and purchased through school)

Book Bags

Rucksacks

Drink Bottles

Pencils

PE Kit *(sports use only)*

- Track Suits

Safety Clothing

- Reflective jackets
- Sun screen kits

Our School is aware that children often walk and cycle to school in poor light and weather conditions. If clothing is dark it is sometimes difficult for children to be seen by drivers especially during the winter months. School Governors, as a result, have included reflective materials and safety items as part of their school's uniform catalogue.

**Parents and Carers are responsible for what
their children wear to school**



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South Brent School Association

Dear Parents

Calling new members!

You may not be aware that there is an active and friendly association, which supports the school in the purchase of items outside of the basic curriculum requirements. We are pleased to have been involved in a number of projects, which help to enhance the school surroundings and make lessons that little bit more enjoyable for the children. Some of our recent purchases include -

- School Adventure Playgrounds.
- CD's and Portable Sound System.
- Items for Africa Week.
- An extensive collection of non-fiction books for the school library
- Digital cameras
- Thrive resources
- Geography resources
- Visiting performance artists to enhance the curriculum

Membership is open to anyone who has an interest in supporting the school, not just parents. We arrange a number of events throughout the year, some specifically for the children, such as raffles, discos and competitions, and also some fun for the adults with social events and quiz nights etc.

If you would like to know more, please do not hesitate to speak to one of the committee members. A list of members is available from the School Administrator. You may already know some of us. Alternatively, I would be very happy to speak with you. Please feel free to contact me via the school office where I have a pigeonhole for any messages and correspondence.

I hope you will be able to join us, either as a committee member or as a person who is willing to volunteer your services on specific occasions.

Yours sincerely

Mrs D Vooght
Chair