



Kate and Andy Logan live in Sevenoaks with Freya, 9 and twins James and Ruby, 6.



Seal **Church of England** **Primary School**

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Kate has happy memories of Seal C of E School and is delighted that her children love it too

Simply the best

As an ex-student of Seal C of E School, Kate enjoyed her time and was keen to send her own children. "We had a choice of several schools, and I chose Seal because it is the best," says Kate. "I have lovely memories and wanted the same for my own children. It's very friendly and welcoming."

Caring and polite

Kate is also impressed by the behaviour of children at Seal.

"The school operates a strict but fair behaviour policy and pupils are very polite and friendly," she explains.

"For example when you visit the children will open the door for you but it feels very natural, as they are encouraged to treat each other nicely."

Out and about

Students can learn lots about nature through the school's excellent outdoor facilities.

"The children are very lucky because there is a brilliant nature trail, playground and outdoor equipment," says Kate. "My children love going to the woodland area and making camps and looking at the bug hotel."

Individual approach

All children are unique and staff are careful to treat them individually.

"When you have three children that are all completely different it really highlights how much the school caters for their individual educational and emotional needs," says Kate.

Developing strengths

Whilst Ruby settled at school very quickly, it took a little longer for James to adapt, but staff worked hard to help him.

"I think Ruby was emotionally a little more mature than James when they started," says Kate. "The staff were really brilliant, and very patient. I was so pleased with how the staff encouraged their strongest points and helped them develop in other areas."

Cool dudes

A range of motivational initiatives, including Cool Dudes, helps the children to succeed.

"James used to hate reading but now happily reads a book every night," says Kate. "The school holds a weekly Cool Dudes assembly and if a child has been struggling but tries really hard, as James did with his reading, they are called up on to the stage and given a certificate and badge. James thought becoming a Cool Dude was great and it really helped him!"

Dealing with challenges

Seal School prides itself on supporting children through difficult situations.

"If there is a problem you can always talk to the staff," says Kate.

"For example when my husband's dad died all my children dealt with it differently but Ruby was very upset. I spoke to her teachers and they were brilliant, keeping a special eye on her and helping her to deal with it in a way she could understand."

Fantastic rapport

Kate is delighted that her children are enjoying their time at Seal School just as much as she did.

"My children absolutely love going there every day," she says. "The twins are in a class of about 18-20 children, and they love all the teachers and class room assistants, who have built a great rapport with them. My children are very lucky and I wouldn't hesitate to recommend Seal School to anyone."

Children say:

Freya says: "I love coming to school for lots of reasons but my friends are one of them. If one of the class is struggling or someone is feeling lonely at lunch play we all look after each other! I love the sports day and all the tournaments we do! They are great fun".

Ruby says: "I love reading and playing with my friends. We get to do lots of fun craft things in 'plan, do, review'"

James says: "I like playing football with my friends, making camps in the wooded bit and I like junk modeling and making big rockets out of old boxes!"



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