THE MEADOW COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL AND PRE-SCHOOL





Prospectus



A very warm welcome to The Meadow Community Primary School and Pre-School. Our vision is to provide a nurturing, stimulating and safe environment for your child to learn, discover and develop through play based learning. Our motivating environment develops confidence, creativity and discovery, both inside and outside of the classroom.

We follow the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) curriculum framework in order for your child to build skills in all seven areas of learning. This then readies the children for Year 1 and beyond.

Our overall objective is that every child will gain new skills and understanding through play. They will learn at their own pace and share their discoveries with each other, with adults in the setting and with their families and carers at home.

We believe that education starts in the home so we look to encourage families to form good relationships with us. We have an open door policy and are available to parents especially at the beginning and end of the day. In school we have a Family Support practitioner Mrs Powell who will discuss any issues that parents need guidance and advice with regarding their child.

Mrs Jill Hoy EYFS Coordinator

What makes us unique?

At The Meadow Community Primary School and Pre-School we believe that every child deserves the best possible start in life and support to fulfil their potential. We are based in the Early Years Foundation unit which has recently been decorated to be bright and inviting ready to learn.

We take advantage of the many opportunities on offer to us, such as the wonderful grounds, play equipment and vast outdoor space and woodland. Children who attend our setting receive the best of both worlds; learning through play in a school environment, while being given the chance to explore the great outdoors including our nature area.



Our Curriculum

We follow the Early Years Foundation Stage curriculum covering all seven areas of learning. The children build on their own skills and apply them to different situations.

The seven areas of learning develop children's personal, social and academic skills. The children learn new expertise for example taking turns when playing games, phonics, writing their name and sentences, learning their numbers and how to apply these. The children learn about the world around them including the local environment and other countries.

The children are taught in a variety of ways throughout the day. We free-flow throughout the day and the children can access different learning opportunities independently. The children will have short carpet times and teacher-led tasks.

Children change their reading books once a week and are encouraged to read at home as much as possible. Homework is sent home weekly so that you know what your child has been learning and how they can show you their new skills.





Working in Partnership with families

The Meadow Community Primary School and Pre-school recognises parents as the first and most important educators of their children. There are many ways in which parents can support their child, particularly through exchanging information about your child's needs, home activities, interests and progress with the staff.

We aim to have good communication with all parents/carers to enable us to plan activities to include those that interest the child away from the setting and to include the parents/carers in their child's progress and development at school. We will achieve this through: informal communication, such as when handing over children at the start or end of the day.

We send home weekly, a week at a glance which informs you about what the children will be learning the following week.

We have special days and open days when parents are invited into school. Parents can come into school and see what their child has been learning.



School Uniform

The children wear school uniform which is a green jumper or cardigan, grey or black trousers, skirt or pinafore and a white or green t-shirt, shirt or blouse and black shoes.

What to bring

We have lots of fun at school the following is needed every day:

- A warm coat/ rain mac
- A spare change of clothes in a named bag
- A drinks bottle containing water
- A PE kit

Dinners

Children are entitled to a free school dinner until the end of Key Stage One. The menu has options each day that the children can choose from and the kitchen will address any dietary requirements.

<u>Snacks</u>

The children can have milk and toast in a morning: they receive free milk until their fifth birthday. Toast is paid for via the schools Weduc system.

The children receive fruit in the afternoon from the fruit scheme.

Pupil premium

Parents can apply for pupil premium if they are in receipt of various benefits. This entitles children to free school meals, free milk and help with trips. A form to apply for this is available in school.



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