

Harewood C of E Primary School

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“Education For Life In All Its Fullness”

Information for Prospective Parents

Personal tours of the school for prospective new parents are possible by contacting the school office. This is the best way for you to get a flavour of who we are, what we do and to see if what we offer is what you would like for your child.

(There may be times when tours need to be limited due to COVID restrictions but if this is the case, we will let you know when you contact us to book a time.)



Who are we?

Harewood C of E Primary School is a small village school of 105 pupils situated at the heart of Harewood Village. The school was originally built in the mid eighteenth century to provide an education for local children but over the years it has been extended and modernised and now draws children from the surrounding villages and North Leeds. We are very proud of our heritage and continue to have links with the Harewood Estate.

What do we believe?

We strive to combine a loving, caring community, in which all our children feel nurtured and secure, with a stimulating educational environment, through which they can make the best possible progress. All that we do is underpinned by our Christian ethos, in which each and every individual is valued and the education of the whole child - spiritual, moral, mental, physical, social and emotional - is our goal. Through this approach we seek to enable all our children to develop an understanding of themselves, in the context of our modern World, and to blossom and progress so that they can fulfil their potential. It is an affirmation of our approach that both OFSTED and the Diocese have rated the school highly in their most recent inspections.



Structure of the school

The school has an intake of 15 children per year. Class 1 (Reception) has just 15 children and its own dedicated classroom and outdoor learning space. Beyond Class 1 the classes are made up of 2 year groups with just 4 classes in total. In addition to the classes we have a library, ICT suite and Hall which are used by all the classes. Outside we have 3 play areas and a playing field with climbing/play equipment.



High Expectations

We are proud of the high expectations and standards throughout the school, and we consistently achieve excellent results in the National Assessments at the end of each Key Stage. We do place great importance in providing a broad and stimulating curriculum, to encourage a love of learning and enable all our children to achieve success. We also seek to further enrich the curriculum with visiting speakers, school visits, themed weeks, productions, school clubs, Italian, sports and individual music lessons.



In addition to high expectations in terms of attainment we also strive for high standards in terms of behaviour and appearance. Our school council recently helped to develop our behaviour code and our policy for Anti-bullying. Pupil involvement in areas like this is very important to us.

We have a traditional school uniform which helps our sense of identity and pride in who we are and the standards we strive for. School expects high standards in terms of attendance and punctuality. Both of these are consistently higher than the Leeds and National averages and play a large part in ensuring a quality education can be provided for our children.

Links with our community and beyond.

At Harewood we have a strong and active Parent, Teacher Association (PTA) who regularly hold events for the children and adults. In addition to raising funds to support the work of the school the PTA events build links between families, the school, the community and this all helps to give Harewood its family feel.

As a Church School we have strong links with the Harewood and Collingham parishes. The vicar is one of our school governors and visits school to deliver worship on a weekly basis. We have links with a range of local charities which we support during the year. We feel it is important for the school to support others where we can, and for the children to be aware of how they can help others.

The school is part of the Wharfe Valley Learning Partnership which is a group of schools in outer Leeds. Working alongside these other schools in the area, we provide activities that enhance the learning experiences for our children and give them the opportunity to work with, and compete against, children locally and prepare them for the transition to much larger high schools.

Please take a tour of our website to find out more about us, our aspirations, curriculum and the activities our children benefit from during their time with us.

We look forward to working with you in the future if you choose Harewood as the school for your child.

A. Ratcliffe
Headteacher

