

RYE COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

DREAM ~ BELIEVE ~ ACHIEVE



PROSPECTUS

Welcome to Rye Community Primary School

Our school is a kind, caring and welcoming space where all children feel safe and well-looked after. We strongly believe we are a family; so every child is known to us as an individual and their unique interests and talents are recognised and celebrated. We are committed to nurturing an inclusive environment but also promoting academic excellence.

Our curriculum is broad and balanced with a clear sense of developing well-rounded children through their educational journey. Our children understand the importance of being kind, caring and respectful. Lessons are exciting and engaging with reading, writing and maths not only taught every morning but sewn into all areas of the curriculum.



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Our children have access to wonderful resources both in school and in the local area. Rye and its surrounds are rich learning environments that we use to prepare pupils for life in modern Britain with global responsibilities.

We offer access to life enhancing experiences and stimulating extra-curricular activities whilst ensuring children value these opportunities and make the most of what we have to offer.



Our teachers and associates are experienced and professional - bringing with them boundless energy. Not only do they ensure lessons meet the needs of all learners but they make playtimes fun and mealtimes a time to reflect on family values. Because of this dedication and commitment, children enjoy superb relationships with adults that allow them to thrive in the classroom.

Rye Community Primary School is a very special school that values children and family. Every morning, when we open our gates, I know that everyone comes together to make it an environment where all children can dream, believe and achieve.



Miss Kelly Martin
Headteacher





Aquinas comprises a distinctive and diverse community of academies with a shared purpose and ethos.



We are committed to mutual support and respect in pursuit of educational excellence for children and young people, educating the whole person. We are driven to provide 'life transforming learning'.

Whilst we are one trust with one mission, each academy maintains its own unique characteristics and individual identity within the community it serves. To assist this work, an Advisory Council in each academy supports our school leaders: acting as a critical friend; refining strategy; and providing advice on a broad range of issues effecting the educational sector. This aspect of governance allows us to draw on the expertise of parents and members of the local community to ensure each academy is exceptionally well-led.

Our vision is to ensure the life chances and educational achievements of all children and young people in our academies are positively transformed because they are part of our strong trust.

OUR EDUCATIONAL MISSION



"I love Rye Community Primary School - everyone is so friendly and kind. My favourite subjects are English, History and PE. We do lots of fun activities and I'm really looking forward to our school trip this term "

RYE COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL STRIVES TO:

- Nurture an environment where children are happy, healthy and feel included;
- Create a can-do attitude in our young people so they have the resilience to join in;
- Offer a vibrant curriculum which challenges every child to excel;
- Unlock the gifts and talents in every learner regardless of ability, background or need;
- Develop a love of learning and high aspirations children need as they grow;
- Engage positively and work closely with the families and community we serve.





OUR STORY

Rye Community Primary School brought together two local schools and a nursery in a modern purpose-built school with state-of-the-art facilities. Our location not only affords us fantastic views of the historic town but also provides the peace and tranquility appropriate to our rural surroundings. Whilst we are a busy learning environment, pupils also have space to think, make friends and appreciate where they come from.

With contemporary buildings surrounded by natural beauty and exemplary access to the local town, Rye Community Primary School offers all our young people an exceptional start to their lives in the most remarkable setting.



OUR COMMUNITY



"We have lots of exciting after school clubs - my favourites are art, cooking and gymnastics"

We are proud to be a community school. Working closely with residents and businesses, we make sure children recognise the importance of community and the rich history of the area.

Our school plays an important role in family life; we celebrate the skills, talents and abilities of all our children and bring people together to celebrate them.

Because children join our preschool from the age of two, we build strong relationships with our families who know we will be with them as their youngsters grow up.



Sharing the school site with our secondary partner, Rye College, allows us to offer our oldest pupils many high-quality experiences unavailable to other schools.

Our shared mission to offer children an exceptional education means a seamless secondary transition, parallel approaches to teaching as well as a continuation of our school values.



OUR CURRICULUM

Our children enjoy a broad and balanced curriculum which secures essential skills whilst covering a wide range of exciting subjects and topics. We want all pupils to be confident readers, passionate writers and thoughtful mathematicians.

Our teachers make sure children experience not only these 'basics' but are taught the full National Curriculum in ways that engage their natural curiosity.



We like to celebrate learning in a variety of ways including a regular 'sharing assembly'. As a result, our youngest become eager and enthusiastic, experiencing the joy of learning whilst preparing for academic success.

We have additional resources to help children and families including several teaching assistants each with their own special skill for engaging children with learning. Our Family Liaison Officer works closely with parents and carers to support their child whilst our Inclusion Officer helps children live out our values.



Our early years classes have a planned curriculum which is play-based. Skilled practitioners use children's interests to take their next steps. Learning through play and friendship is central to each child's progress as well as a vocabulary rich curriculum that starts from a child's first moments in school with us.

We understand how important every day is to a child's education. Therefore, we focus on consistency throughout the school. Pupils stick with the same approaches to phonics, hand-writing and calculation during their time with us which means they quickly become competent learners.



"I've really enjoyed learning to play the guitar"

"Our class really enjoys computing - we have a special ICT suite"

OUR SCHOOL VALUES



Our values are important to us



We want all our pupils to proudly say "I RESPECT"



I RESPECT



At Rye Community Primary School, with our pupils, families and community, we place "I RESPECT" at the centre of all we do. As we work together to realise our personal best, we ensure children can DREAM, BELIEVE and ACHIEVE.

I - Independence

We think for ourselves and develop our independent learning skills.

R - Resilience

We learn from our mistakes and never give up.

E - Equality

We treat everyone fairly and ensure everyone has the same rights and opportunities.

S - Smart

We follow the school's dress code and make sure our school looks neat and presentable.

P - Partnership

We work together in teams to achieve our goals, strengthen our ideas and solve problems.

E - Effort

We participate fully in our lessons and make sure we are engaged so we can achieve our best.

C - Caring and Compassionate

We are kind, co-operate with each other and show empathy to others as well as the environment.

T - Truthful

We are honest and take responsibility for our own actions.

OUR SCHOOL DAY

TIMINGS

08.30 - Doors Open

08.45 - Morning Registration

10.15 - Assembly

10.30 - Morning Break

12.00 - KS1 Lunch

12.15 - KS2 Lunch

12.45 - KS1 Registration

13.00 - KS2 Registration

15.00 - End of School Day

15.00 - 16.00 - After School Clubs



OUR UNIFORM



Our pupils wear school uniform to be smart and should take pride in wearing it everyday. The school uniform colours are navy and yellow. Our requirements are gender neutral.



Our pupils come to school dressed in their PE kit on the days which they have PE lessons.

PE Branded

- PE T shirt (optional)

PE Non Branded

- Plain white t shirt or polo shirt
- Black jogging bottoms, leggings, shorts or skirt
- White socks
- Black plimsoles
- Black or navy blue hoody for winter months

Branded

- Tie
- V neck jumper
- Cardigan

Non Branded

- Black footwear
- Neutral socks or grey tights
- Grey tailored shorts, trousers, pinafore dress, skirt or skort
- White shirt or blouse
- Blue and white checked summer dress or playsuit



We run a programme of extra curricular clubs after school to further enhance pupils' enrichment opportunities. Activities are wide ranging across sporting, academic and creative pursuits.



See our website for further information on our uniform policy and our local stockist:
www.ryeprimary.co.uk/school/uniform.



Joining Us

ADMISSIONS POLICY

Our admission policy is operated through East Sussex County Council. Families in the county should apply through East Sussex whilst families in Kent should apply through their own county council.

TRANSITION

Each year, as our eldest pupils leave us for secondary school, we prepare for the arrival of a new cohort of excited little learners starting their educational journey.

Although starting a new school is an exciting time, for some it may also be a little daunting. Our home visits are designed to ensure young children join us with as much confidence as possible.

Our morning tours at the start of each academic year provide an opportunity for prospective families to look around and see us in action.

SAFEGUARDING

Rye Community Primary School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expects all colleagues and volunteers to share this commitment. We have a number of policies and procedures in place that contribute to our safeguarding commitment; these can be viewed on the 'policies' section of our website.



Why Choose Us



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In-year admissions

Rye Community Primary School accepts in-year admissions. If you are moving into the area, or considering a change of school, please contact us in the first instance.