



Trawden Forest Primary School Prospectus



Welcome to Our School

Headteacher's Welcome

Trawden Forest Primary School is a small rural primary school where all children seen as individuals, are valued and are encouraged to achieve their personal best. We are fortunate that our large spacious building is surrounded by beautiful countryside and have extensive school grounds comprising of our Forest School, a large grass playing field, a large playground area and a bright and stimulating enclosed playground for our EYFS children.

I am extremely proud to lead a team that is committed to children's well-being, achieving high standards and providing the very best opportunities for all in our care. Our staff team work hard to deliver a rich and challenging curriculum; to prepare children for future education; and to help them acquire the skills and enthusiasm needed to embrace the opportunities, responsibilities and experiences of later life. They provide a happy, supportive and purposeful environment, and a curriculum that excites and stimulates children's imaginations and creative thinking.

I hope you enjoy exploring our school through this Prospectus. Please do not hesitate to get in contact with us if you require any further information.

Thank you,
Mrs Stinchon



**Every Child
Matters
Every Moment
Counts**

Vision and Partnership

School Vision

As a school community, we nurture pupils to become motivated and resilient so that they can attain their full potential, whilst encouraged to be curious and develop a life-long love of learning. We understand that each pupil possesses unique qualities and, we seek to recognise their individuality and develop who they are in a safe, respectful and caring environment. Here at Trawden, we aim for every child to acquire essential knowledge to become successful and we make the most of every learning opportunity.

School Partnerships

We are always ready to welcome adults into school and place a great emphasis on the importance of a successful home/school partnership. There are many opportunities when adults are invited into school to share special occasions or volunteer in a variety of ways.

We benefit greatly from the wonderful support and commitment from our Governing Body and active PTA. We also cast our net wider and have developed good links with other schools, colleges, sports clubs, charities and businesses both locally and in the wider community. We have a strong link with Marsden County Primary through the Building Bridges project.



What our Parents say...

"The schools communication is fantastic, my child is listened to and encouraged throughout."

"Good communication, a wide range of after school activities, a strong feeling of care and respect among staff and children."



Achievements and Curriculum

Achievements

We are extremely proud of the progress and achievements of all our pupils in all subject areas. Our statutory results are the highest compared with other schools locally and we are in the top 20 in Lancashire too. Our pupils also achieve highly in Art, Music and Sport and have won many awards and competitions and achieved high grades.

Curriculum

Our Curriculum aims to provide children with the skills and knowledge necessary to be confident, successful and responsible global citizens in the 21st Century. We provide a stimulating curriculum which motivates the children to become multi-faceted individuals with the ability to think for themselves.

Our curriculum will provide learning which steers children towards developing the following:

- Essential learning skills: resilience and independence
- Ability to be creative and resourceful
- Ability to work both individually and collaboratively
- Deeper learning through questioning and reasoning
- An understanding of the fundamental need to learn from, protect and improve our environment and local area
- A positive awareness of their own identity and self worth.



Inclusive and Healthy School

Inclusion

Through our school ethos, curriculum and vision, we openly value differences and celebrate the uniqueness of each individual and endeavour to offer opportunities and challenges to everyone. In our school we respect everyone. They all have:

- The right to be safe
- The right to be listened to
- The right to enjoy, learn and achieve
- The right to be respected and make a positive contribution
- The right to grow
- The right to achieve economic well-being

The School follows the Code of Practice and keeps a register of children who have specific needs. A copy of the School's S.E.N. policy and local offer are available for parents to read at any time and can be downloaded from the website.

Behaviour

We expect high standards of behaviour from all our children at all times. Rules are kept to a minimum and the children are made aware of their purposes. We aim to maintain a high level of discipline by developing in our children self - respect, respect for others and mutual tolerance. Any incidents are dealt with in a prompt, firm way.

Healthy School

Healthy eating - Our aim is to promote healthy eating and to make breaks and lunchtime a safe and enjoyable experience. Our excellent school lunches are locally-sourced and provide delicious homemade, nutritionally balanced meals cooked in our 5-Star Hygiene Award kitchen. Children in KS1 are offered a free piece of fruit at morning break and the PTFA and Year 6 operate a healthy snack Tuck Shop for children in Key Stage 2.

Personal Development

Healthy bodies and minds – our fantastic adventure playgrounds, wild garden, field and wooded area encourage all the children to be fully active during breaks. Through whole school strategies to promote social and emotional wellbeing, nurture, cooperation and friendship are an integral part of school life. Children are encouraged to develop their interests and grow their talents: they are all celebrated as being unique.



What a parent says, "Our child wants to come to school, which is a great success as she is enjoying her learning journey."

Culture Capital and Forest School

Culture Capital

The Curriculum is regularly enriched with wonderful first hand experiences that support and enhance each area of study with visits to theatres, parks, museums, the local environment, workshops, sports events and many more. In Year 5 and Year 6 the children take part in a residential visit to adventurous outdoor activity centres – this promotes strong bonds and team building among the children, peers and staff. Our curriculum aims are enriched with a wide range of opportunities and activities. Some of the activities are specifically chosen to enhance current learning or they are chosen by the pupils. These activities allow pupils to follow their own lines of enquiry, work independently whilst growing their talents and developing interests. They also encourage the pupils to grow into confident individuals in the community.

Forest School and Local Links

In order to make the most of our local area and outdoor environment, we have developed our own Forest School Progression document which enables our pupils to develop confidence, creativity and independence, whilst contributing to their social emotional learning. Children have the opportunity to build shelters, cook outdoors, observe nature and learn about lifecycles through first-hand experiences.

Children also have the opportunity to explore and lead activities and special events in the local area and visit the community shop, church, cenotaph, sports' clubs and the local activity centre.



**“They do a variety of activities throughout the year involving parents and outside organisations. The school and staff are always open and very approachable..”
(A parent.)**



Starting School

Admissions

We follow Lancashire's admission policy which can be accessed via the Lancashire County Council's website. Our admission number for each year group is currently 30.

When a school is oversubscribed on parental preferences, then the following priorities apply in order:

1. Children in public care at the time when preferences are expressed and who are still in public care at the time of their admission to school, and those who have been previously looked after, then
2. Children for whom the Local Authority accepts that there are exceptional medical social or welfare reasons which are directly relevant to the school concerned, then
3. Children with older brothers and sisters attending the school when the younger child will start, then
4. Remaining places are allocated according to where a child lives. Those living nearest to the preferred school by a straight line (radial) measure will have priority.

School Day

Doors open at 8:45am

Lunchtime 12pm - 1pm

Registration 8.55am

Afternoon Break 2:15pm - 2:30pm

First Break 10:30am - 10:45am

School Ends 3:30pm

School Calendar

HOLIDAY	SCHOOL OPENS	SCHOOL CLOSES
Autumn Term 1	Monday 4 th September 2023	Thursday 19 th October 2023
Half-Term		
Autumn Term 2	Monday 30 th October 2023	Thursday 21 st December 2023
Christmas		
Spring Term 1	Monday 8 th January 2024	Friday 9 th February 2024
Half-Term		
Spring Term 2	Monday 19 th February 2024	Thursday 28 th March 2024
Easter Break		
Summer Term 1*	Monday 15 th April 2024	Friday 24 th May 2024
Half-Term		
Summer Term 2	Tuesday 4 th June 2024	Friday 19 th July 2024

May Bank Holiday Monday 6th May 2024

Inset days:

1. Friday 1st September 2023 / 2. Friday 20th October 2023 / 3. Friday 22nd December 2023
4. Monday 3rd June 2024 / 5. Monday 22nd July 2024

<https://trawden.lancs.sch.uk/parents/term-dates>



Uniform and Useful Information

Uniform

Uniform is an important part of school life. It gives the children a sense of identity and pride in themselves and their school. It has also been shown that pupils' attitudes to work and school improves when they are wearing uniform.

Our school uniform consists of:

Bottle green sweat-shirt or cardigan bearing the school logo.

These can be obtained from Jean Junction 300 Burnley Road, Colne, Lancashire, BB8 8JN or they can be ordered via our ParentMail.

- White polo shirt
- Black trousers (not jeans or skin tight) Black knee length shorts (for Summer)
- Black or tartan skirt or pinafore
- Bottle green and white gingham dress (for Summer)
- Sensible black school shoes – NO fashion shoes/boots/trainers

It is important that all clothing, especially coats, is clearly labelled with your child's name.

Children with long hair must have it tied back.

P.E. Kit

Indoor: a white round neck t-shirt, black plain shorts and pumps to change into for P.E. lessons. These should be kept in a drawstring bag.

Outdoor: a white round neck t-shirt, black plain leggings or tracksuit bottoms and black trainers to change into for P.E. lessons.

Jewellery

We follow the Authority guidelines on jewellery and ask that children wear no jewellery except for no more than one pair of plain stud earrings, which must be removed for PE /swimming.

Before and After School Club

At Trawden Forest Primary School, we offer a Breakfast and After School Club called Forest Friends. Forest Friends is run by a small dedicated team who provide high-quality provision and activities for children from Reception to Year 6. Children are also provided with drinks and a snack during each session and sessions are reasonably priced.

Morning from 7:30am to 8:55am From 7:30am - £5.00 inc breakfast and 8:20am or later to 8.55am - £2.50

After School Club from 3:30pm to 5:30pm £4.50 per hour inc snack

Dinner and Milk Money

Milk is free for under 5's, when your child reaches 5, you can choose to pay for milk online via Cool Milk Ltd. The cost is 20p per day and payable via ParentMail.

School meals are free for all children in Key Stage 1 & EYFS.

Meals cost £2.30 per day from Year 3 onwards unless you are entitled to a free school meals (income based).



We believe that if children feel safe they can learn to:

be calm

be kind

be honest

be brave

be the best they can be!



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Further information

Further information and school policies can be accessed via the school's website or by contacting the school office manager - Mrs Sims who will be happy to provide copies of a range of information.

Mrs Sims can be emailed directly at:- bursar@trawden.lancs.sch.uk