Arnesby C of E Primary School

Where every child shines





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Headteacher Welcome Mrs Ruth James



I would like to welcome you to Arnesby Church of England Primary School. If you are a new or prospective parent considering our school for your child, I would be pleased to show you around and answer any queries. You can be assured of a warm welcome as Arnesby is a wonderful school and although small in size, **it has a big heart.**

Christian values and ethos are at the heart of the school. Our aim is to provide children with a high-quality education where purposeful learning, interesting stimulus and a full partnership between teachers and parents encourage each child to reach their maximum potential. Within a safe, friendly and caring environment, pupils are encouraged to develop their academic, physical, spiritual and emotional capacities.

As a village school with small class sizes we can ensure that every child is able to progress well and is effectively supported in their learning.

The school has many strong links with the community and often take part in competitions, festivals, charity fundraising events, community events and visits to our local churches. The school also benefits from the support of an active Parent Association (PTA), Friends Of Arnesby. We believe that our school is a place where every child feels special and loved by God for who they are and we hope that every child understands they have something unique and special to offer.

If you are looking for a nurturing school with a family feel for your child, we would very much encourage you to come and visit, where we can show you more of what Arnesby School has to offer.

A message from the Chair of Governors





One thing that impresses me about Arnesby School is the way the children play so well together across the age groups. The school has a great family feel and I think that it is a gem in the heart of the village community.

Vision and Values Where every child shines

Our vision begins with the Bible quote:

"Let your light shine before men, that they might see your good works, and glorify your Father in heaven" Matthew 5:16

This reminds us of the importance of our actions. Our actions allow us to let our light shine.

We are all God's children and are called to "give glory" to our Father in heaven through our "good works". Our actions allow us to share the light of Jesus with those around us.

Our 9 values help to support our vision in the following ways:

Respect and thankfulness – for others, our environment and celebrate our differences.

Curiosity - opportunities for children to achieve their best and have positive learning attitudes.

Resilience – showing courage, determination and perseverance.

Independence – a sense of responsibility for ourselves and the world around us

Forgiveness and honesty – living by our values and morals.

Teamwork and Koinonia – working together in our community with love for all.

Children can become a light to others by looking for ways to help those in need and by shining every day they are simply doing their best in everything they do.

The school day

Before school

The school gates open at 8.35 and children are able to come into their classroom ready for an early morning activity or challenge. The class teacher will be there ready to greet the children.

Morning

Our school day starts at 8:45am prompt when the register is taken. Children arriving after this time will report to the school office to be marked as present on the register.

All children will have a morning break between 10.30 and 10.45am.

Lunchtime

Lunchtime is 12pm - 1pm with children eating both packed lunches and school meals in the village hall.

Afternoon

Daily Collective Worship is from 2:40pm with the school day finishing at 3:15pm.

In a typical week, the children will have 32.5 hours of education.

Breakfast and after-school clubs

Breakfast club runs from 8am until the start of the day, where children are served toast and juice and have the opportunity to do a variety of activities.

After school clubs run each day from 3:15pm - 4:30pm.

Curriculum

At Arnesby School, we aim to provide the best quality education possible for our children.



The **Cornerstone Curriculum** is based on inspirational learning activities which take place in the classroom to allow children to learn in a way that motivates and interests them. Cornerstones provides our children with challenge, giving opportunities to solve problems apply, themselves creatively and express their knowledge and skills in understanding the curriculum.

Every class experiences 6 Imaginative learning projects/knowledge rich projects as well as some companion projects in a year.

Each individual project is worked through four stages of learning Engage, Develop, Innovate and Express.

Mathematics is taught through the Powermaths Programme which both consolidates and extends mathematical learning.

Other subjects are taught using well recognised schemes of learning to ensure a progressive and enriched curriculum offer.



Classes Peace Class

This class has Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 working effectively together.

With a large outdoor space and many activities there are lots of opportunities to experience Reception free-flow learning from inside and outside, to experience the full offer of the Early Years curriculum.

Year 1 enjoy challenge time after completing their adult led learning by also using the indoor and outdoor learning spaces.

Year 2 have both time and space to learn effectively at separate learning spaces in the class room and all children benefit from the adult attention that small class sizes allow.



Courage Class

Courage Class is a Lower Key Stage Two class of mixed age children from years 3 and 4.

The children follow a dedicated programme of study for their age group but also have the benefit of learning together in subjects such as PE, History and Geography etc where children can share their knowledge and skills with a wider group.

Endurance Class

Endurance Class is a mixed age Upper Key Stage two class from Year 5 and 6.

The children follow their age related programmes of study and are also encouraged to lead the school as role models as Sports Ambassadors, House Captains and in other roles and responsibilities.



All children benefit from a well stocked library and a well resourced school.

School meals

We encourage healthy eating and the meals prepared by our school catering services have been selected to provide a nutritionally balanced diet.

All of our children in KS1 (Reception, Year 1 and 2) are entitled to receive a Universal Free School Meal. KS2 children (Years 3-6) can order a hot meal. Meals are ordered on a daily basis during morning registration.

Special Diet Request

To ensure that all Meat, Fish, Egg-free or Vegan diets are dealt with appropriately, our School Catering Services work closely with a dietician to compile a personalised menu for your child. This will remain as close to the standard menu as possible.

School milk

Milk is available to all pupils via the Cool Milk Scheme. This is free for all under-fives and subsidised for pupils aged five and over. If you would like your child to have milk, please register at www.coolmilk.com



If your child is taken ill at school, we will contact you. Children are not allowed to go home alone on their own if they are unwell.

If your child is absent from school through illness, please ring the school office by 8:45am if possible. If your child is absent and we haven't heard from you, you may receive a call to check on them for safeguarding reasons.

For all other absences, Headteachers are unable to grant any leave of absence during term time unless there are exceptional circumstances. If you need to take your child out of school and it's not due to medical reasons, please complete an absence request form.

Uniform

Our colours are navy, sky blue & white.

Uniform

- Navy blue sweatshirt with school logo or blue cardigan with school logo
- Sky-blue polo shirt
- Navy blue book bag with school logo
- Grey or navy trousers/shorts
- Navy or grey socks
- Navy pinafore dress/skirt
- Navy/white or sky blue/white checked summer dress
- Navy, white or grey tights
- Sensible black/blue flat shoes with soft soles and closed-in toes are recommended with a secure fastening – NO open toe sandals. Trainers are for PE/Sport only.

Optional items

- Lightweight reversible shower proof/fleece jacket with school logo
- Navy PE Kit bag with school logo
- Navy fleece with school logo
- Navy backpack with logo
- All clothing and footwear should be clearly labelled with your child's name

PE and Games

All children need navy shorts and a plain white round neck T-shirt (with or without the school logo). Navy or black tracksuit and trainers for outdoor games.





Term dates

Autumn term

- Bank Holiday: Monday 26th August 2024
- Half Term: Monday 21st October 2024 –
 Friday 25th October 2024
- Closed to pupils: Friday 29th November 2024
- Christmas Holiday: Monday 23rd December 2024 Friday 3rd January 2025

Spring term

- Bank Holiday: Wednesday 1st January 2025
- Half Term: Monday 17th February 2025 Friday 21st February 2025
- Easter Holiday: Monday 14th April 2025 Friday 25th April 2025

Summer term

- Bank Holiday: Monday 5th May 2025
- Half Term: Monday 26th May 2025 Friday 30th May 2025
- **Summer Holiday:** Friday 10th July 2025 Friday 22nd August 2025



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