

# Arnesby C of E Primary School

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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

## Mr Patrick Rendall



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 8:35am 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 10:30am 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 is from 8am until the start of the day. All places need to be booked 1 week in advance please.

After school clubs run Monday - Thursday from 3:15pm - 4:30pm.



# Curriculum

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

The 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. We provide our children with appropriate challenge, giving opportunities to solve problems, apply themselves creatively by expressing their knowledge and skills to show their understanding.

Subjects are taught using well recognised schemes of learning to ensure a progressive and enriched curriculum offer, for example:

Mathematics is taught through the Powermaths Programme which both consolidates and extends mathematical learning (see our website for the full curriculum offer [www.arnesby.embracemat.org](http://www.arnesby.embracemat.org))

As a village school, our rural setting means that we have many opportunities to link our learning to the world around us and celebrate God's wonderful world, whilst understanding the importance of sustainability in our local environment.



# Classes

## Peace Class

This class has Reception and Year 1 working effectively together.

With a large, refurbished outdoor space and many activities there are lots of opportunities for children to experience Reception free-flow learning from inside and outside, and experience the full offer of the Early Years curriculum. Key Stage 1 children follow a dedicated programme of study.

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



## Courage Class

Courage Class is a Lower Key Stage Two class of mixed age children from Year 2, 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 and have other roles with specific responsibilities.

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



# School meals

We are currently in the process of changing our school meals provider. Further details regarding menus as well as arrangements for ordering and payment will be shared with you in due course.

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.

## 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](http://www.coolmilk.com)



# Medical

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 as part of our safeguarding procedures.

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. Please download a form from our website or ask the school office for a paper copy.

# Uniform

Our colours are navy, sky blue & white.

## Uniform

- Navy blue sweatshirt with school logo or navy 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 31st August 2026
- **Half Term:** Monday 19th October 2026 – Friday 23rd October 2026
- **Closed to pupils:** Friday 20th November 2026
- **Christmas Holiday:** Monday 21st December 2026 – Friday 1st January 2027

## Spring term

- **Bank Holiday:** Friday 1st January 2027
- **Half Term:** Monday 15th February 2027 – Friday 19th February 2027
- **Easter Holiday:** Monday 22nd March 2027 – Friday 2nd April 2027

## Summer term

- **Bank Holiday:** Monday 3rd May 2027
- **Half Term:** Monday 31st May 2027 – Friday 28th May 2027
- **Summer Holiday:** Monday 12th July 2027 – TBC



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