



every child matters





# welcome

**East Preston Infant School** is a very special place for children to learn and achieve. Visitors to the school often comment on our friendly and happy atmosphere. Like you, we want the very best for your children. We are very proud of our school and everyone who is part of it. If you would like to come and see why we are so special, we would love to show you round.





# enjoying and achieving

Children learn best when they enjoy what they are doing. We believe in enriching and supporting learning through first hand and practical experiences. We use our knowledge of how we learn to ensure that excellence is achieved through enjoyment. Active involvement leads children to become independent and creative so high standards are achieved.

The curriculum is purposely planned to be exciting and challenging so that all children have the opportunity to reach their full potential in a wide range of curriculum areas. Educational visits and visitors into school enrich and develop the children's understanding of the work we cover.

**OFSTED says...**  
**"The children achieve so well because they thoroughly enjoy their schooling, relationships are extremely positive and they want to get involved in learning."**





**OFSTED says...**

**"The school provides a good education for its pupils ... It has many outstanding features ... They have a caring and nurturing ethos which shows in children's learning ... The environment is bright and stimulating ... Children are well prepared for their future."**

# Celebrating SUCCESS

We value academic success alongside personal achievement and use every opportunity to celebrate the many things that the children are a part of, both in and out of school. Each week the children are invited to share their achievements in our whole school Celebration Assembly where certificates, stickers and trophies are given out.

The school has many reward systems in place to promote positive behaviour and the children work hard towards reaching their own personal and whole class goals.

We expect the best from our pupils and value the strengths and talents that each individual brings to our community.





# Working together

**OFSTED says...**

**"Links with parents and carers are also outstanding. Parents and carers recognise the high quality care, support and guidance that the school provides."**

The partnership between home and school is one of the many things that makes our school special. Parents and carers are important to us and we have a strong commitment to developing links between home and school. By working closely with parents and the local community we ensure that your children have an excellent start to their education.

We highly value the support that parents, carers and grandparents give and they are welcomed into the school to share their expertise and help in the classrooms.

As well as providing curriculum support, the PTA work tirelessly to put on social events and organise fundraising activities.





**OFSTED says...**  
**"Pupils behave well.**  
**They listen and respect**  
**each others views."**

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Whilst academic achievement is very important, educating children to be 'well-rounded' human beings who show respect for one another is also a priority.

We are a Rights Respecting School – all pupils, staff and visitors have the right to be healthy, safe, educated, listened to and treated fairly. These principals are at the heart of our school ethos, and our policies and practices support these rights. We are committed to equal rights, mutual respect and shared responsibility.

We foster independence and responsibility with an active School Council which meets regularly to share ideas and suggestions from all the pupils in the school. The children's own views and opinions are valued and sought and their ideas have led to real developments in the school.





# inclusion

We believe that all children are special and we work hard to provide an accessible and challenging curriculum which caters for the diverse needs of all our pupils. Children who have additional needs are identified early and support is given. We pride ourselves on our inclusive ethos.

**OFSTED says...**

**"There is an excellent approach to providing the appropriate intervention for pupils, whether the need arises from a social, educational, mental or health difficulty. Using a wide range of strategies the school successfully lowers barriers to learning for pupils who find difficulties in coping with school life."**





# healthy lifestyles

We have been awarded Enhanced National Healthy Schools Status and are committed to enriching children's lives by enabling them to make positive choices, leading them to be healthy, stay safe and make worthwhile contributions to their community.



We are proud to be holders of the Green Eco Flag in recognition of our commitment to learning about the environment and sustainability.



**OFSTED says...**  
**"Pupils make an outstanding contribution to their community... the Eco group works diligently, showing high levels of understanding about recycling and electricity-saving issues."**





# developing the whole child

**OFSTED says...**  
"Their spiritual, moral, social and cultural development is excellent. The curriculum is further enhanced by a very good range of clubs and a wide range of visits and visitors."

We recognise that each child develops as an individual learner and plan our teaching carefully to develop their knowledge and skills. We also know that each child has different interests and talents and therefore provide a broad and stimulating curriculum which

inspires the children and allows them to flourish in a lively and exciting environment. In addition we provide further opportunities for children to enhance their interests through a range of before and after school clubs.





# investing in the future

We are extremely proud to have achieved the prestigious ICT Naace Award for our outstanding work in Information Communication Technology.

We have invested in technology to support our children's learning and we encourage the creative use of ICT through the curriculum. We have a

computer suite with an interactive whiteboard and the children use digital and video cameras to record and extend their learning. All our classrooms have interactive whiteboards, a bank of computers and a digital microscope. Our extensive library uses the 'Alice' software system for signing books in and out.

**OFSTED says...**  
**"The work of the school to develop its information rich virtual learning environment is particularly impressive. Parents and pupils have access to extensive information about school events and pupils' work and how parents can support their children's learning."**







## our aims

In a world that is rapidly changing we aim to:

- make learning fun and inspiring, developing a thirst for knowledge and an enquiring mind
- foster positive self esteem by valuing all achievements
- nurture the whole child, developing their emotional, social and spiritual awareness
- provide an inclusive environment where everyone is encouraged to fulfil their potential
- help children to become responsible and caring citizens
- lead healthy lives in a happy and safe environment
- encourage good behaviour and mutual respect for others and the environment
- work in partnership with parents, carers and the wider community







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