



WELCOME TO WICKLEWOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL AND NURSERY







Headteacher's Welcome

Welcome to Wicklewood

"We are so pleased that you have chosen us for your child's school journey. We understand what an important decision the choice of a school is for families and we are committed to working in partnership with you to ensure that your child achieves the best possible educational, social and developmental outcomes. Through our school values of love, trust, courage and forgiveness, we aim to nurture and support all pupils to attain excellent standards in all that they do".

Laurence Hughes

Curriculum



We aim to provide an ambitious, broad and balanced curriculum that prepares children to meet their Early Learning Goals. Our curriculum builds on what the children already know and is age and stage related.



We focus on depth of learning, giving children many opportunities to visit concepts to gain a deep understanding.

Stories are at the heart of our curriculum supporting language development and a love of reading. We prioritise hands on and real-life experiences and value outdoor learning. Trips are planned for each term to enhance curriculum learning.











Phonics

At Wicklewood Primary School and Nursery, every child is taught a range of strategies to support their development to become a confident, independent reader. In the Foundation stage children develop their phonic knowledge to decode more complex words through the Read Write Inc phonics scheme.
This involves participation in daily phonics sessions, grouped by existing phonic knowledge. The children learn the sounds and how to blend and segment them as a class and with partner practice. The children also learn to read common exception words in these sessions. Learners then use their phonics skills to read levelled Read Write Inc. reading books in class and at home.

Read Write Inc.

Outdoor Learning

Children and adults at Wicklewood Primary and Nursery value and embrace outdoor learning and time spent in nature.

Through our open-ended resources and careful provision planning, our children use the outdoors as an extension of the classroom. There are spaces to encourage independence, communication, creativity and collaboration. Our environments are monitored, planned and adapted to meet children's needs and the intent of our ambitious curriculum.

Woodland Wanderers

Children participate regularly in forest school throughout their time at Wicklewood, giving them opportunities to succeed, develop confidence and build self-esteem through hands-on learning in a woodland environment.









Parents as Partners

At Wicklewood Primary School and Nursery, we value our partnership with parents. We use Tapestry, an online learning journal to share children's progress and to celebrate achievements.

There are lots of opportunities to find out more about how to support your child at home with regular parent cafés and termly individual focus meetings.

We share learning in our class assemblies and love opportunities to celebrate alongside parents in our regular community events.

Our website is updated weekly to support parents with home learning and to share our school learning.







School Buddies

Before children start school at Wicklewood Primary and Nursery, they are allocated a year six school buddy . Their buddy will write to them introducing themselves and they have an opportunity to meet on one of our transition days.

Our school buddies are responsible, kind mentors, offering a friendly face and lending a hand on the playground. There are opportunties for our buddies to support in play, help with reading and share celebrations .

My buddy is always friendly. If my buddy is upset, she will come and find me, and I will help her with the situation.
Naomi Year 6



I get to play with him lots at lunchtime. He is very kind.
Rupert Year R

Having a buddy makes me happy in school.
Nancy Year R

My buddy is fun and caring and always likes to play with me at lunch. He comes to find me, and I take him back to his class at the end of lunch.
Leo Year 6



I think it's really nice having a buddy because I get to have a friend. I see them everyday.
Teddy Year R

Transitions

Transitions at Wicklewood Primary School and Nursery are well supported to ensure children are ready for their next phase of education.

All children receive a home visit to provide an opportunity to meet in an environment where they are confident and secure.

Parents are able to share information about their child's interests, needs and achievements.

We visit the children and meet with staff at the children's current early years settings.

There are many opportunities to visit school including stay and play sessions in the Summer Term. These enable the children to become familiar with staff, begin to feel comfortable in our school environment and have the opportunity to meet classmates.

An open evening will provide parents with essential information about starting school and to find out more about the Early Years curriculum.













Extended School

The Breakfast Club is open from 7.45 a.m. until the start of school every day. The children are offered breakfast before joining in with various activities.

The After School Club provides an enjoyable environment for all children from the end of school until 6.00pm every evening, with qualified staff on duty. We spend as many sessions outside as possible according to the children's wishes. We offer a healthy snack and drink early in the session followed by a light tea from 5 p.m. onwards.

There is a wide range of after school clubs including sport, dance, lego, choir and games. Reception children are welcome to join clubs from the Spring term.

Our Vision, Mission and Values







OUR VISION

Our school and curriculum empower pupils to be advocates and agents of change for a more sustainable world.

OUR MISSION

- We are imaginative: we dream, read and travel.
- We are inquisitive: we listen, question and challenge.
- We are disciplined: we improve, hone and practise.
- We are collaborative: we share, connect and support.
- We are persistent: we dare, struggle and stick at it.

Love

Trust

Courage

Forgiveness