

Naunton Park Primary School



Prospectus and Parent Handbook



Welcome

We are very pleased to welcome you to Naunton Park Primary School



More about us

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Our full staff list, weekly newsletters, key letters, attainment information, school policies and diary dates are published on our school website:

www.nauntonpark.gloucs.sch.uk

We, the staff, governors and children, are very proud of our school. We are committed to ensuring that our children enjoy and achieve during their time with us and that we foster a positive working relationship with parents.

Our school has a tradition of providing a lively, vibrant and stimulating education. It is our aim to give every child the best education possible, through excellent teaching based on the needs of the individual child within a carefully planned creative and broad curriculum.

We work very hard to provide a happy, caring and secure environment in which children can succeed and enjoy their primary years.

We are very keen that through their learning and experiences, children gain not only knowledge and understanding, but also the skills, self-discipline, confidence and motivation that will enable them to become successful and enthusiastic learners. Great emphasis is also placed on helping children to develop personal and social skills that will enable them to become valued and responsible members of the school and local communities.

It is through this philosophy of education that our children also reach very high academic standards.

We were delighted with the outcome of the Ofsted inspection in 2013, which judged every area of our school to be outstanding.

To find out more please take a look through this prospectus, browse our school website or contact us in school.



Admissions

Reception Admissions

As of September 2019, each new year group (starting in Reception) has 60 admission places. All other year groups currently in the school have a Pupil Admission Number (PAN) of 57.

Gloucester County Council (GCC) manage all admission applications for NPPS. Applications must be made through the council's website using the Common Application Form. The following criteria is applied:

1. Children in public care
2. Children who have a sibling already attending the school (at the time of admittance)
3. Children with the strongest geographical claim.

The county council manage all appeals should a place be requested but not offered during the initial application process.

In year applications

Although GCC manage all applications, we advise any in-year admission queries be raised with the school first.

By doing this, we can share information about the availability of places in a particular year group before the application process is started.

We hold a waiting list for year groups that do not have any available places. Should a place become available, priority is given to those who have a sibling already in the school and, after that, to the strongest geographical claim.



Our vision

Naunton Park Primary School is a safe, supportive and happy environment where every child thrives in their work and play.

Our lively, vibrant and stimulating curriculum nurtures curious minds, providing opportunities for every child to flourish. As a large school with a small school feel, we support children to find their voice in the world and ensure that individuality is celebrated. At the end of their primary school journey, we would like our children to look back fondly and forward with excitement and confidence.



"This is an outstanding school"

Ofsted Inspection

Ofsted inspected our school on the 11th June 2013. We are delighted that all judgements for the five areas were graded as outstanding.

They said:

- High-quality teaching inspires, motivates and challenges all pupils
- Pupils are unfailingly enthusiastic, polite and extremely well behaved. They are inquisitive and exceedingly keen to learn.

Since Ofsted last visited, we have continued to move forwards. Everyday, we aim to provide an outstanding education for our pupils. We have, since then, continued to develop our outdoor learning environment, which was the one area for development that Ofsted identified in their report. We have developed three outdoor classrooms, an allotment, created quiet outdoor areas for children to use, extended our Trim Track and found ways to further utilise the front garden, Pilley Bridge, Naunton Park and the Rose Garden.

About our school

Naunton Park Primary School is a two-form entry primary school in the heart of Cheltenham.

We are often described as a large school that has a small-school feel.

Here, we are blessed with a vast premises, which is full of open spaces, additional work areas and outdoor classrooms in addition to the usual classrooms, halls and canteen. Having two separate halls, with FS and KS1 around one and KS2 around the other, means that children feel comfortable and secure within their phase while being part of a larger community at the same time.

We are incredibly proud of our historical building and traditional environment: we maximise opportunities to celebrate our school's history. We feel that by doing this, children develop a sense of belonging in the school, in their community and in their locality's history. They certainly love hearing about and seeing pictures of the school during the war.

“ *We all have a bond and this helps us really do our best.*

Maddie, Year 6

We value our community and location and value our place within them. We fully utilise the beautiful Naunton Park, which is literally on our doorstep, for PE lessons, sports days, sport matches, competitions, celebrations and charity and community events. The Rose Garden and Pilley Bridge are also used regularly by all year groups for various topics, lessons and experiences.

In school, our academic curriculum, although essential and incredibly important, is not everything to us. Our end of key stage achievements are excellent and we enjoy celebrating pupils' successes with them. However, supporting a child's personal, social and emotional development is of paramount importance to us. Through a curriculum and general ethos around the school, children are fully supported. We encourage and celebrate every child's journey, confidence and self-esteem through annual performances for every year group, concerts, weekly sharing assemblies, merit and star assemblies and weekly newsletter achievement celebrations. These are just a few of the things that we do to allow every pupil at Naunton Park to feel valued, special and accomplished.



Our six values

Our school values were written by the children, parents, governors and staff. We aim to be:

1. Kind
2. Resilient
3. Curious
4. Determined
5. Respectful
6. Responsible



Friendship and kindness explodes from every room, teacher and pupil.

Tom, Year 6

Our school day



08:00	Kids' Club opens
08:45	Gates open
8:55	Registration
10:30—10:45	Break time
11:50—12:45	YR-Y2 lunch time
12:45—13:40	Y3-Y6 lunch time
13:50—14:10	YR-Y2 afternoon break
15:15	End of day
17:45	Kids' Club closes

Please note that these timings are for a typical school day. The times are currently different (and may be altered again in the future if necessary) to ensure the school adheres to government COVID-19 guidance.

Wrap-around care

Our Kids' Club (which can include breakfast and an after school snack) is offered to all children from YR—Y6

Curriculum

We are very proud of our curriculum. We aim to provide our pupils with opportunities that not only allow them to cover the National Curriculum through varied learning experiences, but we aim that our curriculum will also equip our pupils

to become independent, responsible and resilient members of the community for life beyond Naunton Park. Our curriculum is tailored to the interests and needs of our pupils.



All children are able to access our curriculum and have the opportunity to succeed. We ensure that our curriculum is exciting and well-balanced for all our pupils and that it is delivered so that all children enjoy learning.



We pride ourselves with our involvement in the community. We love to give to others, learn from others and build relationships with others. We regularly welcome visitors to the school, who help our children with their learning in a variety of ways.



Parents and carers are made fully aware of their child's curriculum, learning and school activities through termly curriculum information letters and topic webs. We also carefully plan exciting external visits and share the curriculum links for these with parents through termly trip letters. Year 6 have the opportunity to attend PGL



Extra curricular clubs

A large number of extra-curricular activities are offered for a wide range of interests including sports, music, dance, science, foreign languages and mindfulness.

Some of the clubs often on offer include:

- + Yoga
- + Netball
- + Construction
- + Art
- + Squash
- + Football
- + Wind & Strings
- + Strictly Dance
- + Football
- + Spanish
- + Textiles
- + Cross Country
- + Comic writing
- + Street dance
- + Gardening
- + Tag rugby
- + Athletics
- + Drama
- + Drumming
- + Story Writing
- + Choir

Peripatetic music lessons

Musical tuition is available for woodwind, strings, brass and piano. We have two school choirs and

A sense of belonging

School Uniform

Everyday uniform

- Grey trousers, shorts or skirt
- White polo top, shirt or blouse
- Navy jumper or cardigan (available with logo)
- Grey or navy socks or tights (or white in the summer)
- Blue and white checked dress in the summer
- Waterproof jacket or coat
- Plain black, brown or navy shoes (not boots)
- Watches can be worn but earrings are discouraged. Both must be removed (by the child) for PE

PE kit (in a named bag)

- Plain black or blue shorts (joggers in winter)
- House colour t-shirt (available with logo)
- Trainers
- Swimming kit (inc. goggles) when needed in KS2

School uniform can be purchased from:
<http://yourschooluniform.com>



House system

We are all grouped into four houses.
Our houses are all named after aircrafts:

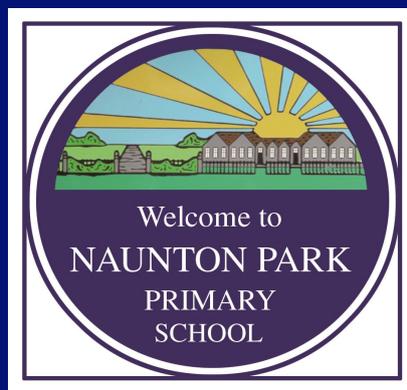
- Meteor (yellow)
- Javelin (green)
- Hurricane (blue)
- Gladiator (red)

Children can earn House Points and every child competes in termly House



School Council and Eco Warriors

We love to give our pupils a voice. This is done on a day-to-day basis, but in a more formal context, our 14 School Councillors and 8 Eco Warriors have a regular say in the running of the school. Over the past two-years, School Council have helped design the KS2 library and playground Quiet Area, they have helped to organise fundraising events and have had a say in how PTA donations should be spent. Our Eco Warriors have raised the profile of environmental issues throughout the school and have arranged recycling bins, raised money for litter pickers, planted trees with the Friends of Naunton Park and abolished unnecessary plastics in school.



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