

Newchurch St. Nicholas
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Welcome

Welcome to Newchurch St Nicholas Primary School. We are a smaller than average Church of England primary school located in an idyllic setting with vast grounds and light, spacious, modern well resourced classrooms. We are proud of the caring family ethos we have created which promotes a partnership between school and parents. Everyone who comes through the doors comments on the friendly, hardworking atmosphere within the school environment. The staff team are dedicated, experienced and highly skilled and work together to provide the best education for their pupils.

Visits to school are warmly welcomed, please call **01706 229478** to make an appointment to see what we have to offer for yourself!

Gemma Callaghan– Headteacher



Our Facilities



Wrap Around Care

Our Breakfast and After school club provides childcare for parents who require it.

Our wrap around care is run by an outside provider ensuring consistency for children and the very best care we can offer.



A Forest School

Our purpose built Forest school area was new in 2019.

We have an in-house trained member of staff which means we can offer sessions to all year groups free of charge.



Accessible for All

We are a single level school and have accessible toilets and shower meaning we can offer an inclusive education to everyone.



The Library

Our well resourced library is at the heart of the school. The older children are the school librarians and they are responsible for its promotion. They love to share books with the younger children. The library is managed through a cloud system which means children can log on at home to reserve books and leave reviews of their favourite reads! The library also runs parent and child reading sessions before and after school.



Our Foundation Stage

The learning area of the Foundation Stage pupils is self contained. We are fortunate that we can offer our pupils a spacious, well equipped indoor and outdoor environment which complements all elements of the Foundation stage curriculum.

As a parent you will be fully involved in your child's learning and invited to regular Key Worker drop-ins to share your child's learning.

Our Foundation stage is accredited with Lancashire's Step Into Quality award which acknowledges the high level of provision we offer our pupils.







Our Curriculum



At Newchurch St. Nicholas we have designed our curriculum to acknowledge that within our diverse school community children are all individuals bringing different experiences and personalities to school.

Our curriculum aims to develop basic skills, knowledge, concepts and values by engaging pupils in learning which is tailored to their needs through providing exciting, relevant opportunities which motivate our children and develop critical thinking and give them a thirst for learning.

Timetabling prioritises Maths, English and Phonics which are taught for the vast majority of the time in the morning. Core skills are reinforced through cross curricular work which enables children to make links. Our curriculum also aims to capitalise on the school's local community recognising changes within it and the impact of these on its culture and opportunities.

We acknowledge the Christian foundation of our school and foster close links with church. Our Christian values are threaded through everyday life at St Nicholas and promote

tolerance and understanding, positive attitudes to learning and foster healthy relationships.

We are committed to ensuring that the education the children receive here will provide them with ambition and inspire them to further their horizons. Our curriculum will provide a firm foundation which will enable children to build their potential and progress confidently into the next phase of their education and life journey. It is also part of our vision that in the ever changing world we live in, our children are equipped to embrace whatever comes their way with a positive outlook.

Our pupils will leave with a sense of belonging to a tightly knit Christian community.

Start children off on the way they should go and even when they are old they will not turn from it.

Proverbs 22:6







Extra Curricular



We offer a wide range of free extra curricular activities in school.

Clubs we have offered include:-

Construction, Computing, Art, Football, Key Stage 1 Sports, Drama, Brilliant Book Awards, Fantastic Book Awards, Choir, Gardening, Ethos, Change 4 Life and Newspaper club.



Our Vision and Values

At Newchurch St. Nicholas our vision and values are at the core of everything we do. They underpin our teaching and learning, and provide an environment which prepares our pupils as confident, happy citizens.

Our Mission Statement

As a Christian family we equip our pupils with the necessary skills and knowledge to become responsible, well educated, citizens of the future.

- **Nourish**

Nourishing minds with knowledge and hearts with Christian values.

- **Succeed**

Succeeding to maximise everyone's potential.

- **Nurture**

Nurturing self belief and social moral and cultural understanding.

At Newchurch St. Nicholas we have 6 strong Christian values:



We enjoy strong links with church and we celebrate Worship at church each half term with parents. Parishioners support our work in school too and regularly visit us.

School Vision

Newchurch St Nicholas is a school which supports all its community to thrive and flourish now and in the future. Everyone in the community is empowered to hold a strong sense of personal identity, an unshakable notion of self-worth, recognise their God-given potential and the impact of God's love on them.

Pupil Voice



We encourage pupils to determine the extra curricular life of the school.

The School Council, Eco Committee and Ethos group are all pupil led groups in school. The pupils take a proactive approach to sharing their work through assemblies, posters, presentations and fundraising events.

They are active in the local community and we have an established a seasonal programme for the Ethos group.

Working together to be the best we can be.





Don't take our word for it...

My kids are happy at school which in turn makes me happy. I find the staff approachable at any time and they go above and beyond for parents and pupils. I couldn't praise them enough for their hard work.

X has only been at the school since February 2024 and was the best move we made on changing her school just wish we had done it sooner.

Very happy with the school as a whole, lots of fun dress up days, school trips and parent involvement sessions which is so lovely. I cannot fault the amazing support he's getting from X and X, I can't thank you enough for this he's thriving this year for sure !!

I love that the school focuses so much on science and making it interactive, inclusive and interesting - it has really inspired X to think positively about her future aspirations. I Love the way that pupils different achievements are celebrated and shared.

My child is extremely happy in school. He has come on leaps and bounds, both academically and socially. He is constantly building his confidence, with the support and reassurance of the staff at school. He has good friendships in school and gets excited about the special events and days that the school takes part in. I also appreciate the efforts made by Mrs Callaghan and all staff at Newchurch C of E, to make the school a friendlier and safer environment job! Thank you to all the staff for making the school a happy, fun and safe place!

My daughter skips to school everyday and is so animated and proud when she shares with us what she is learning about or has done at school. All staff both teaching and non teaching are brilliant, they treat her with kindness and respect. And the leadership is fantastic, a headteacher who is prepared to stay on a Friday to do a club definitely goes above and beyond!

98 % Strongly agree or agree that their child likes coming to school.

98 % Strongly agree or agree that their child is making good progress.

98 % Strongly agree or agree that the teaching at the school is good.

100% Strongly agree or agree that there is at least 1 member of staff they are comfortable to approach with questions or concerns.

100% Strongly agree or agree that school is helping their child to become mature independent and responsible.

...This is what our parents think of us.





Newchurch St Nicholas C of E Primary School

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