



Bramley Infant School & Nursery

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Welcome

Thank you for your interest in our village Infant School and Nursery. We recognise that choosing a school for your child is an important decision. At Bramley we pride ourselves on working in close partnership with our families to give every child the very best start in their educational journey.

Village children have been attending Bramley Infant and Nursery School for over 150 years, today we continue to foster a joy and love of learning which will last for life.

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Our School

Our school was graded **Outstanding by Ofsted** in 2019. In 2015 we were graded Outstanding in all areas by the SIAMs Inspector.

Since 2015 we have consistently secured outstanding results, exceeding National and Surrey results in reading, writing, mathematics and science.

Our children enjoy coming to school and through our vision, values and the characteristics of effective learning, develop into well-rounded individuals who are ready for their next step at Junior School.

We always have compliments from

the different Junior schools about the academic, behavioural and social standards of our children.

Children move on to a range of schools including: Tillingbourne Junior School, Busbridge Junior School, Longacre, St Catherine's, Tormead, Lanesborough, Holy Trinity and St Hilary's School.

We work collaboratively with your child's new school to help them settle quickly.

Our Vision

“Your word is a lamp to guide me and a light for my path.”

Psalms 119 (105)



**Rooted in
Christian values**



**Seek
within**



**Wonder
why**



**Reach
out**



**Aim
high**



**“The exciting curriculum is
full of awe and wonder.”**

Ofsted 2019

Our Curriculum



Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS)

Our children follow the EYFS curriculum which starts at birth and finishes at the age of five.

The children's learning is based around seven areas of learning, three prime and four specific areas. Children access learning opportunities in both the inside and outside environment each day, all year round.

Our qualified practitioners and teachers have a deep understanding of young children, how they learn, how they grow and how to make sure that each child achieves their full potential at each stage of the EYFS.

Children are encouraged to have a go, persevere, think and question their learning.

They enjoy a broad and balanced curriculum which prepares them for moving onto the Key Stage One curriculum.

Key Stage One (Years 1 & 2)

Children in Year 1 and 2 follow the National Curriculum for Key Stage One.

Our teaching staff have excellent subject knowledge and use a range of effective techniques to adapt learning for each pupil. Reading is prioritised, with staff working in partnership with parents to ensure that children enjoy reading at home and at school. Children have a strong learning ethos and benefit from a wide and stimulating curriculum.

“Extremely positive relationships between adults and pupils mean that pupils display terrific attitudes to learning. Pupils are eager to join in activities and they become thoroughly immersed in learning. This creates a joyful, vibrant environment.” Ofsted 2019

SEND

We pride ourselves on being a fully inclusive school, meeting the needs of all of the children in our school community.

We set high expectations for our children with SEND (special educational needs and disabilities) and work hard to ensure that all children reach their potential.

*“Adults are adept at spotting the early signs that may indicate that a child needs additional support with their learning. Adults provide timely extra help for pupils with SEND, including using outside agencies where appropriate. Pupils with SEND are fully included in the school. They consequently achieve very well from their starting points.”
Ofsted 2019*

Extra Curricular

Forest School sessions run every week, using our own school grounds and field, as well as the wider environment of our village.

Our school grounds include a story telling area and gardening area. All of the children in the school take part in planting and maintaining these areas.

Children also take part in sewing, crafting, cookery as well as regular PSHE (personal, social, health and economic education).

In Year 2 we are able to offer the children free-of-charge swimming lessons courtesy of St Catherine's School in Bramley village.

Our school is part of a local confederation of schools called Cranfolds. We link up

with these schools for staff professional development during the year and Year 2 children take part in a 'Spring Sing' annual event at St Catherine's School, giving them a chance to perform with a large group of their peers.

Clubs run after school to extend the school day for the children, these include football, Sports Stars and other external clubs.

We have close links with St Catherine's Pre-Preparatory school and Gosden House School, as the three local schools in Bramley. The schools regularly join together for an Art Week: in the past few years we have celebrated our favourite nursery rhymes, with the week of activities culminating in all three schools joining

together for a fun afternoon tea party at St Catherine's school.

We recognise the value of learning outside of school. In recent years the children have been on a variety of trips to places including Marwell Zoo, Little Street, the Watercress Line, Gatton Park, Portsmouth Historic Dockyard, Wintershall, the British Wildlife Centre, G Live Guildford, the Weald and Downland Museum, Guildford Cathedral and the local village area.



Pre-school & Nursery Department



Children can begin with us as soon as they turn two, attending the Nursery for a minimum of two morning sessions or up to five full days.


Children in the Pre-School are entitled to 15 hours of funded education, parents are able to self-fund additional sessions over and above these hours.

The Nursery and Pre-School department are housed in the main building in a separate and secure department with their own age-appropriate facilities and playground.

We believe that Nursery and Pre-School children should have the very best start

to their education and have always employed a full time, qualified teacher in the Pre-School class and a highly qualified, experienced room leader in the Nursery class. This enables the youngest children to have high quality first teaching from an early age, allowing them to learn and progress quickly with a seamless transition into Reception and Key Stage One.

Activities in our Nursery and Pre-School are carefully planned and imaginative, providing a balance of adult-led and child-initiated exploration. Experienced, qualified adults are always on hand to provide additional help or challenge for any children who need it.

A young girl with brown hair tied in a ponytail with a blue flower accessory is pouring water from a yellow watering can into a pink flower-shaped container. She is wearing a red cardigan over a colorful striped shirt. The scene is outdoors, and the image is framed by a large grey circle. A dark red circle is also visible on the left side of the image.

“Children throughout the setting are safe and nurtured. Adults know children exceptionally well and are alert to children’s health, safety and well-being... adults are quick to notice if a child becomes worried or disorientated. Instant care and attention refocus children; soon they are smiling and playing happily.”

Ofsted 2019

A Family School



Our school is very much a family school, supported and championed by the wider community. Parents are an integral part of the school, who are welcome to come in and volunteer. We have an open-door policy at the end of the day when parents can talk to their child's class teacher and every Monday the school is open for parents to come and view their children's work and the school displays.

Each Friday afternoon one of our Parents or Carers is the Reception Class Mystery Reader and it is a delight to see the child's face when it is their Mummy or Daddy who walks through the classroom door – indeed many grandparents, aunts, uncles and siblings have enjoyed being the Mystery Reader too!

Parents support us in many different ways including accompanying us on school trips and running the school PTFA, which enables us to buy extra resources for the school. In the last few years the PTFA raised funds towards the new outdoor adventure playground and new iPads for all classes. Class Reps organise Mum and Dad's nights out, we have PTFA quiz nights, dress-up days, bake sales, lolly sales, sponsored reads, book week, golf days, fayres, a children's disco, Christmas Balls and so on.

It is not just the children who make lifelong friends, it is also the wider families who make friendships at Bramley.



Wider Community

Community is at the heart of our school and we value our relationships and all of the activities children participate in within the wider community.

As a Church School we have strong links with Holy Trinity Church and hold our Remembrance service, Harvest Festival, Easter Service, Christingle Service and Leavers Service at the church.

Our vicar, Reverend Andy Davis, holds collective worship at school at least once a week.

Wonersh, Grafham, and Bramley parishioners belong to a team called Open the Book who come into school every Friday to lead our Collective Worship. The team retell a bible story through drama and

children all have a turn to be part of the cast.

The Village Fete has championed us as their local village school for a long time and we receive generous donations from them which have helped to create a new library (each child went on a trip to Waterstones to choose a book for the library), paid for a mud kitchen and helped to finance part of the new adventure playground and our new outside classroom for KS1.

The Cranleigh Lions have supported the school and given donations for laptops during lockdown, a new sand pit and tricycles and cars for our marked playgrounds.

The children learn about the history of Bramley and they are taken on a tour of

Bramley by the Bramley History Society.
We have links with some of the local care homes and the older generation come in to visit.

Children are encouraged to take part in the Summer Reading Challenge, with volunteers from Bramley library coming into school in the summer term to introduce the scheme which runs in the library over the summer holiday.



Tours of the School

We hold open days throughout the year but if you would like to visit the school and have an individual tour at any other time, please do make an appointment with the secretary in the main school office.

Bramley Church of England Infant and Nursery School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.







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