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# Welbourn Church of England Primary School



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# Welcome...

At Welbourn Church of England Primary School, we believe that our small school provides a nurturing, unique learning environment for our children to learn and develop. Our traditional, family ethos maintains our distinctive church school values and strong community links.

At Welbourn we strive to ensure that every child has their own unique talents and abilities nurtured and developed in a safe, supportive environment which ensures all children flourish. Everything we do is carefully tailored to give your child the very best possible education, in the widest sense of the word.

At Welbourn we believe that all children deserve a highly creative, engaging and importantly inclusive curriculum, which develops a love of learning and self-confidence. We know that children learn best when they are known and loved, and our dedicated and professional staff will work with you to ensure your child's time in our school is happy, safe, fulfilling and enriching and that they achieve their potential.



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# Our School

We are a small rural school situated at the heart of Welbourn village. We have strong links within our village, including close ties with our local church St. Chads where we share celebrations and important events together as a Christian school family. At school we have maintained solid relationships with our local care homes sharing our Christmas performances with them, sharing work and reading together. We value our connections to our village and community through involvement in shared projects such as the Ridges and Furrows community arts project and Cliff Carnival.

Our school is one united family, our children enjoy spending time together during play times worships and collaborative projects such as Art week, and Sports Day. Our older children have opportunities to work with our local secondary school Sir William Robertson Academy taking part in art and drama collaborations, maths workshops and becoming familiar with their Secondary school choice. We currently have a 3 class structure and believe our small class sizes, provide opportunities for children to develop confidence and self-esteem in a safe and nurturing space. Children experience educational benefits from working in smaller groups, which enable them to receive targeted support and individual, focussed feedback to support their learning.

Our learning environment enhances our children's learning experience and is one that we are proud of. We use our vast playing field for P.E, lunch and playtimes, our woodland areas for forest school activities and garden plots for science, clubs and outdoor activities. Inside, we have spacious classrooms, a refurbished library and smaller intervention rooms for group learning. We also have a mobile for music lessons, a kitchen and a hall which is used for collective worship, indoor P.E and clubs.



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# Learning journey

Our curriculum is designed to reflect our school motto, 'Believe, Excite, Succeed, Together' to instil a love of learning and motivation for everyone to be their BEST. We believe that an effective curriculum offers knowledge, skills, understanding and progression across all subjects. Our curriculum is designed around these principles: it is personalised, reflecting the background and experience of our pupils and is underpinned by the belief that in order for children to develop understanding they must revisit and retrieve key knowledge and have a rich language experience on which to draw.

One of the foundations of our curriculum is phonics and enabling children to acquire the early language development that is needed to become fluent readers and our approach, using Read, Write, Inc has proved successful in giving our children a fast and secure start. Pupils at Welbourn love learning and are developing their ability to retain and recall key concepts and knowledge across a range of subjects.

Our curriculum is enriched by a range of outdoor and indoor learning experiences, including trips and visitors. We prepare our unique children for an ever-changing modern world by promoting the spiritual, moral, social, mental and physical qualities of all pupils. We continuously review our curriculum in partnership with local teaching schools and trusts.



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# Our broader curriculum

At Welbourn we understand that school doesn't simply start and end with academia for our children. Instead we aim to support our pupils across many differing aspects of their lives with the goal of helping them to become well-rounded individuals with strong character, who will eventually go out into the world of adults and be actively and positively involved in society.

We intend to help and support pupils to develop the knowledge and skills they will need to become increasingly self-sufficient, including how to keep themselves safe, how to stay physically fit and healthy, and aim to develop their confidence and resilience so they can stay mentally healthy. Our over-arching curriculum is one of opportunity and enrichment and through this we aim to overcome social disadvantage so that all pupils have equal opportunities to thrive together.

We are supported by Inspire+ and the Carres Outreach programme which promotes equality in sport and provides opportunities to meet Olympians, take part in inter-school competitions and be taught by specialist sports coaches.



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# Personal development

Everyone is valued. Students, parents, staff, governors, and the community; at Welbourn these people and their voices are hugely valued.

As such, the children have many opportunities to share their thoughts on school issues – both formally and informally! We have a School Council and the aim of it is to involve all children in driving forward school improvement and provide a platform for discussion related to any aspect of school life. Individual pupils also have the opportunity to take on responsibility roles around school and within their own classrooms. For example, children assume the duties for Team Captains, Librarians, Online and Junior Road safety officers, Eco-Warriors and more. Our children understand the importance of showing compassion for others and vote for charities to raise money. They plan a range of fund-raising activities throughout the year to create awareness for global issues such as the 'Aussie Wildlife Recovery' and support local and National charities such as St Barnabas hospice, The Children's Society and Sport Relief.

Pupils are encouraged to identify and celebrate personal achievements related to learning, behaviour, classroom management, attendance and interests or hobbies. These are reviewed and celebrated regularly as part of our weekly celebration worships and through discussion, marking and feedback. We ensure that our pupils are continually striving to be their very best.



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