

WHERE YOUR
CHILD'S STORY
BEGINS...



Newburgh
Primary School

WITH A VERY
WARM
WELCOME

On behalf of the pupils, staff and governors, I am proud to welcome you to Newburgh Primary School.

At Newburgh, our commitment is to create a caring and supportive school where every child matters.

We work hard to develop an atmosphere where children are healthy, happy, safe and secure and where all are valued and respected.

We have a dedicated team of talented and caring staff whose aim is to ensure progress for all of our children, enabling them to be and to achieve the very best they possibly can. We believe in ensuring that children receive a well-rounded curriculum: including music, drama and sport teaching where individual talents can be spotted and nurtured. Newburgh also has well-resourced outdoor learning facilities, which enable us to embed skills across the curriculum and deliver the Forest Schools Programme.

We are keen to develop successful relationships with parents, the local community and other schools in our local area. We firmly believe that education is a partnership between home and school and regard you as an active partner in your child's education and value your interest and support.

Mrs Janice Simpkins, Headteacher

"good teaching ensures that children achieve well"



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INSPIRING YOUR CHILD FROM AN EARLY AGE

"Strong and positive relationships are apparent between all pupils and staff"



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Our Reception staff create strong and positive relationships with all each child by playing alongside them and engaging them in their learning.

The Reception environment is a crucial tool, used to ignite the children's curiosity and enthusiasm for learning.

Recently, we have refurbished and resourced our Reception and Year 1 classrooms to reflect our child centred approach to learning, encouraging independence, creativity and challenge. Our continuous provision ensures the children engage in high quality play which responds to their interests and widens those interests.

Our large outdoor space which the children can access throughout the day provide opportunities to develop the children's gross motor skills, creativity and imaginative play.

Our curriculum is ambitious but carefully sequenced to help children build their learning over time. There are numerous opportunities for children to see themselves as readers and writers in the environment, alongside being taught phonics and fine motor skills.

Throughout the year we build strong, co-operative and respectful partnerships with parents and carers, regularly sharing information and providing support and opportunities for parents to have a significant impact on their child's progress.



WITH ENVIRONMENTS TO
ENJOY AND
EXPLORE

*"pupils are
proud of
their school"*



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Our outdoor provision enhances and supports children's physical and emotional development.

Our extensive grounds allow the children to enjoy the peace and tranquillity of the courtyard or be active on the large fields, football pitches, multi-sports court and athletic facilities.

The school has a considerable amount of internal space, used to promote the needs of all our children. We have numerous smaller group working areas used to support children with additional needs, to aid our pastoral provision and to differentiate our teaching into smaller groups when required.

The school also boasts a number of specialist areas; a music room, a well-resourced and inviting library, a main hall and a sports hall. Our classrooms have been fitted with state of the Smartboards and we have a wealth of chrome books, laptops and iPads to support the teaching of computing.

On site, we have a large Forest School which is an integrated part of your child's learning experience. Within the woodland or natural environment all learners have regular opportunities to develop their self-confidence and self-esteem through hands on experiences, such as building dens, whittling wood and cooking over an open fire.



TEACHING
TAILORED TO
YOUR CHILD'S NEEDS

"pupils are keen and willing to have a go in their learning"

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At Newburgh Primary School children receive a broad, balanced and differentiated curriculum, enabling them to maximise and develop their full potential.

We are committed to a culture that promotes a positive and inclusive approach at all times.

We have systems in place to identify and monitor children should they have or develop barriers to their learning journey. This is supported with specific interventions to help overcome or develop strategies to support learning and personal development. We have a well-established practice of personalised and differentiated learning to support all children in school.

Where children are specifically identified with additional needs, we have policy and procedure in place that follows the SEND Code of Practice. This is a graduated approach of 'assess, plan, do and review'. Should a child's progress continue to be cause for concern, or the gap in their learning significantly widen, the class teacher and SENDCo will seek additional support and resources from the external agencies.

Our SENDCo leads our Pastoral team in school in supporting both learning and the social, emotional and mental well-being of our children. We extend this more widely, when required, to include support we can offer or signpost to all Newburgh families.

CELEBRATING THE CREATIVE ARTS

We place a high emphasis on the creative arts within our school, creating a range of opportunities to ensure our children engage and appreciate their cultural heritage.

We are proud to be a Lead Associate School with the Royal Shakespeare Company. Working with the RSC has built our pupils' self-confidence, improved their communication skills, engaged them with literacy, and has developed their resilience and teamwork skills.

Each year, the whole school has the opportunity to study a Shakespeare play, with the support of RSC actors and practitioners culminating in an amazing performance. Our Year 5 children become 'Shakespeare Ambassadors' and take part in local and national performance festivals. This allows them to connect with the National network of RSC ambassadors and share their love and respect for drama.

Our art curriculum has a significant and valuable role to play in the ethos of the school. It provides visual, tactile and sensory experiences, and a special way of understanding and responding to the world. We foster an enjoyment and an appreciation of the visual arts, and a knowledge of artists and designers as this enriches the lives of our young people.

"pupils engage in high-quality dramatic performances that develops their confidence and love of literature"



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WITH A BROAD AND BALANCED CURRICULUM

The next year Jane had a baby boy, Edward. But Jane died a few days later. Henry was very sad.

I'd rather she died than the baby, though.



"leaders have focused on designing a curriculum to enthuse and engage pupils"



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We provide a broad and balanced curriculum which is designed to give the children a wide range of experiences which contribute to their spiritual, moral, social and cultural development.

Threaded throughout is the development of personal skills such as resilience, cooperation, independence and empathy.

We use our strong relationships between staff and children to foster a culture where we connect before we correct behaviour and encourage all adults to respond in a non-judgemental, curious and empathetic attitude towards behaviour. However, whilst we recognise, and take time to understand, that there are many reasons behind a child's behaviour, we remain expectant of the high standards of behaviour that enable a safe environment and promote good learning for all.

Teachers plan topics carefully to ensure the National curriculum is taught in a creative way, encompass the teaching of English, with reading books and writing opportunities threaded throughout the learning. Activity based learning and problem solving is an integral part of our lessons.

The safeguarding of children is taken extremely seriously at Newburgh. We have clear procedures to make sure that children are safe and secure at all times.



WORKING TOGETHER AS A COMMUNITY

*"parents and
carers are highly
supportive of
the school"*



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We aim to develop a positive partnership between school, parents and the local community and a shared understanding of how we wish to achieve our goals.

Many parents are involved in our school life, either helping with fundraising through our PTA, or volunteering in school with reading, Forest school or helping on educational visits, or becoming members of the governing board, and that is what makes Newburgh so much more than just another school – a real community in fact.

The Newburgh PTA is a group of volunteers made up of parents, carers and teachers within the school. The PTA is more than simply fundraising, it is an integral part of the school community. It creates close links between the home and school, as parents, friends and staff work towards the common goal of improving the children's experiences.

The PTA have raised thousands of pounds that has been spent by the school to enhance their provision, such as trim trails, scooter parks and an outdoor theatre. They also support by subsidising our educational visits, pantomime trip and much more.

A photograph of children in school uniforms (blue jumpers) and gloves (green and pink) working in a raised garden bed. They are using small tools to dig in the soil. The background shows more of the garden and a person's legs in a grey sweater.

NURTURING TALENTS AND A SPIRIT OF ADVENTURE

We are proud as a school to provide a broad range of activities that nurture our children's individual interests.

Our staff with music specialisms offer a boys and girls choir and an orchestra which have performed at National and local events.

From Year 3 onwards, our instrument tuition is delivered by Warwickshire Music teachers.

We have a number of specialist 'sports coaches' working with us in school, alongside members of staff, to provide a range of sports such as; Running Club, Indoor and Outdoor Athletics Club, Cricket Club, Multi-skills Club, Tennis Club and Football Club. Competitive fixtures are arranged against other local schools and we promote this healthy competitiveness, as well as encouraging children to achieve their personal best.

Over the years, we have achieved the 'ECO Green Flag' award several times. This demonstrates the work and commitment of our pupil elected eco-reps. Our gardening, cooking club and well-being clubs promote our emphasis on children learning about and enjoying a healthy lifestyle.

"the school provides a wealth of opportunities to broaden their learning experiences through extracurricular and enrichment activities"

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KEEPING ACTIVE

At Newburgh Primary School, we have developed a Physical Education curriculum that is inclusive to all.

It ensures progress and develops a passion for the subject by the whole school community therefore creating positive relationships with physical activity for life.

Throughout each year group, the children will develop their skills through six multi abilities – personal, social, cognitive, creative, physical and health and fitness. This coincides with the twelve fundamental movement skills within agility, balance and co-ordination. Staff will coach and guide children so that they are able to self-assess their own ability in lessons, allowing the children to know what their next steps are.

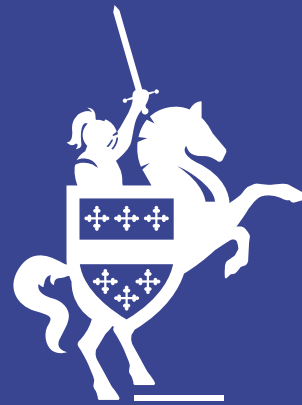
Our lunch provision ensures our children use our substantial facilities to develop their inter-personal skills and sports skills. We employ a range of highly qualified staff and sports coaches to teach the children skills which challenging themselves and which provide differentiated opportunities for all children to succeed with sports.

Each playground has an outdoor trim trail to ensure the children are taking part in fun, engaging and energetic activities that all help to build resilience and independence.

"pupils show a high level of tolerance and respect to everyone in the school"



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A warm welcome awaits at Newburgh Primary School for all prospective parents and children due to start school in September 2022.

We appreciate that choosing a school for your child is a really important decision and we would be delighted to give you the opportunity to visit our school and meet us in person.

If you would like to book a personal school tour, please call **01926 775453** or click [here](#)

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