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# Being Different: Belonging Together

# Welcome

We've created this brochure to help you understand how Frances Olive Anderson Church of England Primary School gives children of all ages and abilities a great start in life.

Our children are at the very centre of all we do at Frances Olive Anderson Church of England School. We have a strong, dedicated team of staff, who work tirelessly to provide an exciting and enriched curriculum, from which all our pupils learn. Each individual learner is carefully planned for, and teaching and learning methods deployed to ensure all pupils make progress from their starting points, academically and emotionally.

Frances Olive Anderson Church of England Primary School is located in the rural village of Lea, situated between Gainsborough and Lincoln. Our wonderful school is growing in popularity every year. Our strong Christian ethos and values provide a good foundation that children can take with them through to adulthood. We believe that it is our duty to equip all of our pupils with the necessary skills and knowledge, in order to reach their potential in an ever-changing world. We constantly encourage our children to have high expectations of what they can achieve and provide the support to develop positive attitudes to learning. We also understand the importance of enjoying school; happy learners are lifelong and successful learners.

Mrs Sarah Woolley  
Head Teacher

## Our Vision

To fully equip our children with values, skills and knowledge that provide the building blocks for their future.

## Our Aims

To provide an excellent and enjoyable education, so that each child is able to achieve his/her full potential, whilst experiencing success and achievement as he/she progresses.

To develop the physical, emotional, social and communication skills of all involved in the school, so that they are able to make informed decisions about their current and future lifestyles.

To provide a caring and stimulating environment, which is safe and welcoming to all, to foster responsible attitudes and

encourage good behaviour and relationships, both in and out of school.

To encourage all children to learn how to live and work with other people, to recognise their responsibility and contribute positively to society.

To develop an understanding of Christian morals and values, as well as respect for other faiths, cultures and ways of life.

## Our Values

We are very proud of our five key values that everyone in our school community endeavours to follow.

- Honesty
- Respect
- Courage
- Friendship
- Achievement

These values are threaded through lessons, assemblies and our positive behaviour management system.

## Fantastic indoor and outdoor facilities

An outdoor area for Early Years  
Large Key Stage 2 climbing equipment

Tyre park

Outdoor classroom

Newly decorated large hall  
ICT suite, plus laptops and iPads

Dedicated library space

Nurture room

Large nature area



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## Extra-curricular

We also run an ever-changing and growing choice of extra curricular activities to enrich our children's time with us. These include:

- Dance
- Musical theatre
- Football
- Netball
- Cross country
- Athletics
- Tag rugby
- Spanish
- French
- Art
- Nurture
- Publishing
- Music tuition



**We celebrate and share our differences and similarities. In doing so, we realise the valuable contribution which all members of the community can make to Frances Olive Anderson Church of England Primary School.**

We continually review our practice, to take into account the different needs and contributions of pupils, staff, parents and governors. All of our pupils are guided, cared for and supported in a close partnership with parents and the community, promoting the culture of belonging and working together.

## Positive rewards

We reward positive behaviour continuously by acknowledging those who always behave in the expected way and those who go above and beyond. We award team points and each class has their own reward systems. In addition to this, the children receive a leaf for their trees each day for displaying expected behaviour. Children who receive all of their leaves are rewarded with a fortnightly exciting and educational activity, which is given as an EVERGREEN treat.

In addition certificates are awarded and we present the Tully Cup to two children each week, who have been recognised for demonstrating a commitment to the current value being explored through worship and lessons.

Good attendance is key, this is recognised and celebrated. Any issues with behaviour are dealt with fairly, consistently and in partnership with parents.

## Teaching and learning

At Frances Olive Anderson C of E Primary School we provide a rich, exciting and stimulating curriculum for our children. We teach cross curricular, incorporating English and maths skills throughout, and adapt our teaching and learning methods to suit the groups of children we are working with. Throughout all we do, we instil in our children the importance of developing a growth mind set and behaviours for learning which support this, such as perseverance, motivation,

reflection on previous learning, use of current knowledge, team work, resilience and an emotional maturity to problem solve.

## Physical education

Exercise is important to stay healthy, both in mind and body – which is why our PE curriculum is so rich and well taught. We have excellent resources, use specialist coaches for some aspects of the curriculum, take the children swimming and enter all of the local inter-school sporting events.

# Early Years Foundation Stage



**Reception is where it all begins. In this year, we follow the Early Years Foundation Stage Curriculum. We see the Foundation Stage as just that – the foundations to a child’s lifetime of learning.**

The children will, of course, learn all about reading, writing, maths and many other areas of learning, but also about taking turns, good manners, getting along and being a good friend.

We have positive partnerships with a variety of nurseries and other pre-school providers in the local area. Before children start with us, we offer an enhanced induction, to ensure that

by the time the children start, they are very familiar with our staff, their learning environments and our routines. The children in Reception learn through play. We offer a whole host of well-structured activities, which are sometimes child led and always fun and creative. Through practical activities, purposeful play and talk, pupils develop an understanding of the world and the basic concepts they will need for their later learning.

We strongly believe in forging excellent relationships with parents and carers, to ensure each child makes fantastic progress with us and fulfils their potential. Parents play a major role in fostering good attitudes to learning, developing language skills and promoting good behaviour.



# Church of England



**Frances Olive Anderson Church of England Primary School caters for children and families of all religions and no religion.**

We are a voluntary aided Church of England School who receive support and guidance from the Lincoln Diocese. We have a SIAMS inspection every three years to judge how successful we are as a Church School. In our latest inspection, May 2015, we were judged to be 'outstanding'.

## What make us a distinctive Church School?

- Daily collective worship.
- Weekly choral worship (singing assembly).
- Drop in 'chat' sessions by the vicar, Reverend Phillip Wain.
- Frequent services held at St Helen's, in Lea and the other churches within our parish.
- Carol services which are attended by the choir.
- Representation of the Church on our governing body.
- The dedication and commitment of the head teacher, senior leaders and staff which supports the needs of every child, enabling them to flourish within a secure Christian environment.

## The recent SIAMS report recognised:

- Christian values, which are owned by everyone, make a significant impact on all aspects of the school and inspire children and adults to be the best they can be.
- Collective worship is of a high quality. It inspires learners' positive responses and their ability to relate experiences of worship to their day-to-day lives.
- Religious Education (RE) is of a high quality and well led. It ensures a growing understanding, appreciation and respect of Christianity and other faiths and cultures.

We value our close links with the local community and the Church. We have positions on our Governing Body, which are elected by the parochial parish councils. These are known as our Foundation Governors. The parishes represented are St Helen's Lea, All Saints Upton Cum Kexby, St Helen's Gate Burton and St Mary's Knaith.

# International schools and cultural connections

# Admissions

Each year we welcome up to 30 new children into Reception. If you would like your child to be considered for a place, there are a number of ways you can apply:

For parents living in Lincolnshire:

- Apply online at [lincolnshire.gov.uk/schooladmissions](http://lincolnshire.gov.uk/schooladmissions)
- Apply by telephone on 01522 782030
- Request a printed application form by calling 01522 782030

Parents living in other areas must apply through their own local authority.

We use the Lincolnshire County Council's timetable for applications, which you can find online – and the relevant Local Authority will make offers of places on our behalf, as required by the School Admissions Code.

**At Frances Olive Anderson we are one of the leading schools in the country for our international work, having been awarded a British Council International School Award and shortlisted twice for a Times Educational Award for International School of the year.**

The Governors and staff of Lea Primary School have always promoted and valued an international dimension in the school curriculum and for the wider experience of its pupils. We wish to prepare our pupils so that they can live and work in a changing world, with confidence in themselves and respect for others.

We believe the school has a vital role in preparing pupils for International citizenship. The promotion of the International dimension in all aspects of the curriculum will assist in removing barriers between cultures, encouraging openness and positive communication between individuals and groups. At Lea School we are very proud of our links with Mohammad Shamel School, Beirut, Lebanon, and throughout the year many projects are shared, focussing on a range of global themes. We identify and discuss the similarities of all children across the world.

Throughout the projects, our children have had a strong virtual link with the children in Lebanon. This face-to-face interaction between the pupils has promoted empathy and developed a bond between the children.

## The Gainsborough Village Schools Collaboration

**Frances Olive Anderson Church of England Primary School is part of a collaboration of village schools in the local area.**

We work very closely with four other schools, of varying sizes and catchments, and the relationships between the schools has proved to be invaluable in providing support and training for all of our staff, to enable the sharing of the best practice possible.

- Scotter Primary School
- Corringham Church of England Primary School
- Blyton Cum Laughton Church of England Primary School
- Waddingham Primary School