



WELCOME TO WINGROVE PRIMARY SCHOOL PROSPECTUS



HEADTEACHER'S WELCOME

Occupying a key position in the west of Newcastle, we reflect the rich cultural and social mix present in our area of the city. Our school accommodation is a large, modern building with generous, natural, outdoor space and extensive sports areas. The immediate surroundings and wider community benefit all our children as they study the National Curriculum.

Our logo is an excellent representation of our school community: a world for many varied people working together.

We are all extremely proud of our school and committed to providing the very best possible education for all of our children. Parents tell us their children feel safe, and learn within a happy, stimulating and attractive environment. Each child is encouraged to discover the joy of learning and develop a lively and enquiring mind. This strong ethos is recognised by many visitors. In September 2012, OFSTED described the school as a ***'harmonious community ...where pupils from many different backgrounds play, cooperate and care for each other well.'***

Wingrove Primary School accommodates 472 children. Beginning in the Nursery, we offer part-time (morning or afternoon) places to 52 children. From the Reception cohort to Year 6, we offer 60 places per year. Our school is also the daily work place of some 45 teaching, learning support and facilities management staff. The team is supplemented, on a needs led basis, by various visiting professionals and specialists.

“...relationships are good and this contributes to the positive atmosphere for learning.”

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At Wingrove, we expect children to develop the abilities to question, to discuss rationally, to apply themselves to challenging tasks and to develop the necessary skills and knowledge for finding creative and practical solutions, reaching their full potential in all aspects of school life.

We believe that children's academic success flourishes on strong partnerships between home and school. We, along with our fully committed governing body, work carefully with our school community to ensure that we are providing the best possible education for all of our children. Parents and carers are regularly welcomed into school, to visit classrooms, attend special assemblies and events, participate in meetings and courses, to work alongside children and accompany them on visits into the wider community.

We also appreciate active participation through our groups, meetings and drop-ins or by specific appointment. From time to time we also invite comment and suggestions via completion of surveys and questionnaires.

Please visit www.wingrove.newcastle.sch.uk and if you would like further information, please contact us through the school office.

We would be delighted to welcome you.

Mrs. Jane Mullarkey
Head Teacher, Wingrove Primary School



OUR AIM

At Wingrove we aim to create and maintain a positive and happy atmosphere which is underpinned by high, yet achievable, standards and expectations in both the work and conduct of us all.



We aim to:

- Care and share
- Communicate and motivate
- Challenge and support

so that each child may develop his/her knowledge and skills, academically and personally, to the full potential. In this way we provide a firm foundation for life-long learning and future success.

OUR RULES



All our school rules - in the classroom and around the school - are based on five firm principles:

- Always keep hands, feet to yourself
- Never tease or call people names to hurt or upset them
- Treat other people with care and understanding, just as you would like others to treat you
- Take good care of your own belongings and those of other people.
- Look after our school and its equipment to keep it clean, tidy and safe

The words we use to express these are chosen to suit the ages of our children and change slightly as the children grow older and become more responsible and self dependent.

“ Teachers make time for kids as individuals in this school. ”

Parent

OUR SCHOOL DAY



Good time keeping is essential.

The school day always begins promptly. Doors open following the **0845** buzzer and the gates are closed following the **0855** buzzer.

Any children who arrive after **0845** must report to the school office.

Parents of younger children see the teacher at the beginning and end of the day. Teachers of older children are available at the end of each school day.

Reasons for any absence should be telephoned to the School Office or written in a letter to the class teacher.

NURSERY

Doors open from 0845.

The morning session begins at 0855.
The morning session ends at 1155.

The afternoon session begins at 1210.
The afternoon session ends at 1510.

RECEPTION & KEY STAGE ONE

Doors open from 0845.

For Reception and Key Stage 1 children
The morning session begins at 0855.
The morning session ends at 1215.

Afternoon school begins at 1315.
The school day ends at 1515.

KEY STAGE TWO

Doors open from 0845.

For Years 3 - 6.
The morning session begins at 0855.
The morning session ends at 1215.

Afternoon school begins at 1315.
The school day ends at 1515.

OUR SCHOOL UNIFORM AND DRESS CODE

Wingrove has a uniform policy which we trust everyone will support.

UNIFORM

Boys

Dark grey or black trousers
White shirt/polo-shirt
Red or blue sweatshirt
Black shoes

Summer

Dark grey shorts
Grey/black shoes

Girls

Dark grey or black pinafore/skirt/trousers
White shirt/polo shirt
Red or blue sweatshirt/cardigan
Headscarf if required (shoulder length in black red or blue)
Black flat shoes

Summer

Blue/red gingham dress
White socks

Sweatshirts, cardigans, polo shirts, and other items with our school logo on can be ordered from the school office.

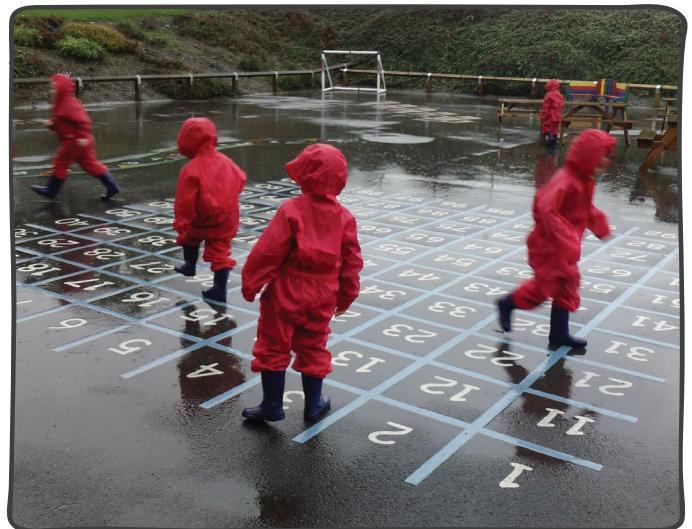
Please label **ALL** clothing, including coats.

CLOTHING FOR P.E.

The children will need a Wingrove T-shirt, tracksuit bottoms, leggings or shorts, and plimsolls or trainers. Children may also bring a tracksuit top for outdoor lessons.

JEWELLERY

We do not encourage the wearing of jewellery and cannot accept any responsibility for it in school. Any jewellery worn **MUST** be removed for P.E.



THE SCHOOL CURRICULUM

Our school curriculum is based on the Early Years Foundation Stage Curriculum, the National Curriculum. Children follow programmes of study according to their age and stage of development.

CORE SUBJECTS

English (reading & writing), Mathematics, Science, and Religious Education.

FOUNDATION SUBJECTS

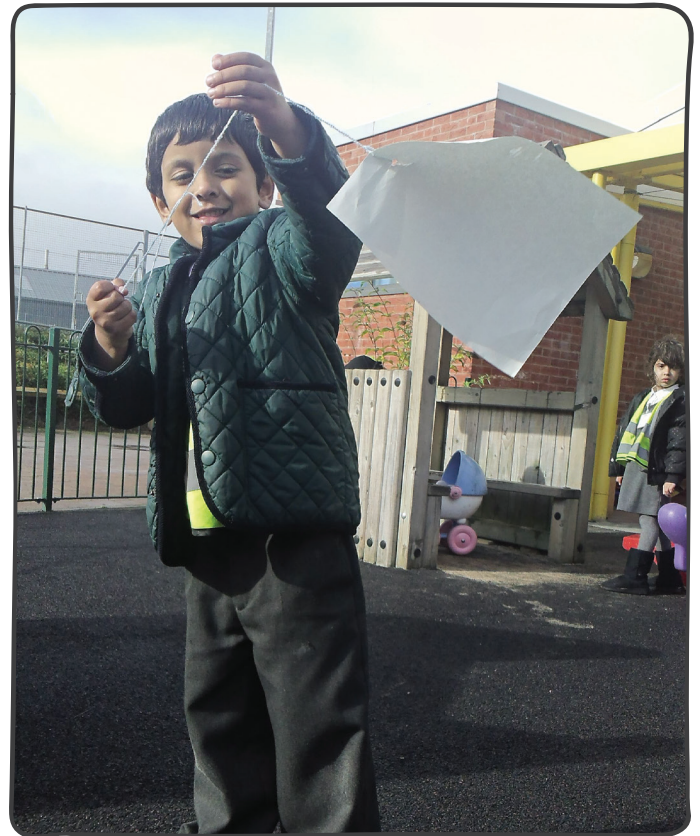
Art & Design, Computing, Design Technology, Foreign Languages (MFL-KS2), Geography, History, Music & PE (including swimming).

ADDITIONAL SUBJECTS

Personal, Social, Health & Economic (PSHE).

Learning throughout the curriculum is enhanced through the use of ICT, the outdoor environment and visits into the wider community. Children are challenged to perform at their best and attain as highly as possible.

Homework is given on a regular basis and we ask that your support your child to complete and hand it in on time.



ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES

Breakfast Club is available from 08:15am every school day for which a nominal charge is made.

Throughout the year, a range of after school activities is offered. These include English & Maths-based clubs, P.E. and Sport, Music and singing, dance and drama, art and craft activities. Some activities are short-term, whilst others continue throughout the school year.



IMPORTANT POLICY INFORMATION

CHARGES

No charges are made for books, materials or equipment.

The school may charge for the following activities:

- Individual tuition on a musical instrument.
- Optional extras – activities that take place outside school hours.
- Trips

(Pupils in receipt of FSM will be entitled to 50 % discount for all trips)

Parents may be asked to pay for the cost of replacement or repair where damage is deemed to be the pupil's fault.

As our school is part of a Private Finance Initiative and the building is owned by Vita Lend Lease, any damage to the building will result in billing from them.

PARENTS & COMMUNITY

We regularly enjoy visits to people and places in the local community and invite visitors to share experiences with us.

As parents, carers of Wingrove children we welcome you to:

- Talk to staff and attend the termly parents' evenings
- Join a course or class organised by our Family and Community team
- Come to a special event
- Attend a class assembly
- Assist in school or on trips
- Help with fund-raising for charity, disaster relief or special extras for the children.
- Give us your views and suggestions through surveys and questionnaires or in person



ATTENDANCE EVERY DAY COUNTS

When it is necessary for your child to be absent from school because of personal illness, you are asked to telephone the school to let us know - if possible on the first day. If you cannot telephone then a written note should be sent when the child returns to school.

We do not authorise the taking of holidays during school time.

IMPORTANT POLICY INFORMATION

COMMUNICATIONS

We aim to keep you fully informed.

You will receive:

- Termly newsletters of whole school events and activities
- Termly information sheets stating what your child will learn
- Invitations to parents' evenings (termly)
- Letters about specific events and activities
- Invitations to give us your views and opinions
- Text Message to update you

You will see: Notices and posters.

You can visit: The school in person or our website www.wingrove.newcastle.sch.uk

ACCESS FOR ALL

Equality of access and opportunity is written into all our policies.

Individuals within Wingrove's rich cultural and social population are supported, according to their need, by our Special Educational Needs team, our English as an Additional Language team, our co-ordinator for Gifted and Talented and by a variety of partner professionals offering specific expertise.

We work with health professionals and families to devise and operate specific Care Plans.

Our site and building are fully accessible to children and adults who have physical disabilities. The building is equipped with disabled facilities.

“ The school promotes equality of opportunity well because it monitors the progress of individuals and different groups of pupils carefully. ”

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ADMISSIONS

As a Local Authority primary school, we comply fully with the admissions policy of Newcastle City Council. For more details, please talk to one of our office staff or contact Newcastle City Council.

COMPLAINTS

If you are concerned about any aspect of school life, please talk to a member of staff as soon as possible so that we may work together to resolve the issue.

A copy of our Complaints Procedure is available on request from the school office or from Newcastle City Council.