

# Chapel St Leonards Primary School



***Caring, Successful Learners***

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**A member of the Community Inclusive Trust (CIT)**

The following document contains details on many aspects of our school.

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## The School

Chapel St Leonards Primary School has around 200 pupils on roll. On 1<sup>st</sup> March 2018 the school became an Academy as part of a Multi Academy Trust, the Community Inclusive Trust (CIT). The school has a very friendly, family feel to it. The children are delightful, taking on many roles and responsibilities throughout their time with us, growing into confident and successful learners. With its vibrant curriculum and enthusiastic staff and children, the school is a lively, exciting place to be in.

Currently there are seven classes, each composed of less than thirty children. All classes are situated in the main school building.

Staff work closely together sharing a significant collective expertise both in key stage teams, subject teams and across the school. The facilities offered by the school are very good and include:

- Two networked sets of laptop computers.
- Touchscreen technology in each classroom
- A large purpose-built hall for indoor sport and collective worship
- Resource area
- Library
- A curriculum kitchen
- Extensive school gardens
- Large playing field with outdoor classroom, trim-trail and outdoor activities
- Foundation Stage Unit including outdoor learning facilities.

As with all schools, **some** aspects of the curriculum are rigidly timetabled. However, curriculum delivery is a mix of subject-specific and cross-curricular provision to capture children's interests. We believe in providing our children first-hand experiences that they may not normally encounter as an inspiration for their learning and quality work.

During recent years a number of strategic developments have been implemented which are helping to raise standards. Additional support through qualified teachers being used for interventions and a comprehensive monitoring programme underpins a rigorous self-evaluation system.



## **Finance**

The school and trust's administrative teams are instrumental in providing efficient and effective support to children and adults. The school employs an effective policy to ensure 'Best value' from all resources and has access to a wide range of centrally-funded support and resources as part of CIT.

## **Management**

The school has a broad management structure, the Senior Leadership Team consists of: the Head teacher, Deputy Head teacher (0.6 teaching commitment) and two Key Stage Leaders. Core subjects are served by a dedicated subject leader with Senior Leadership Team link. All staff are encouraged to participate in curriculum development and a system of 'shadow' co-ordination is now being developed for other subjects to maintain the team approach.

The school also benefits from a strong administrative support team along with a group of very skilled and effective Teaching Assistants and Learning Support Staff. As a school we pride ourselves on the support provided to both children and adults.

## **Other aspects of school life**

We provide a rich variety of extra-curricular activities for our pupils; there are many different clubs in operation including ICT, Music and Sport. These take place during the lunch hour and after school and involve most staff.



In developing the provision of music in the school, we are looking at developing our school choir further ready to attend local events. Our sports teams compete in local leagues and competitions in football, netball and tag rugby.

Another strong aspect of the school is the power of the Pupil Voice; through a number of avenues, The School Council, Mini Police and Eco Council – to name but a few.

All of the children enjoy being part of a whole school House system where each child is allocated one of our four houses Sandilands, Donna Nook, Gibraltar Point and Anderby Creek. Children earn house points and a winning house is named each term. Children are placed in the same house as their family siblings to give a family feel. House teams are used widely in PE and Sports activities and all of our staff are allocated to a house.

## **The Curriculum**

All staff participate in an ongoing review of curriculum provision and therefore the curriculum is dynamic and is shaped to take into account the needs and interests of all pupils and the latest technological and pedagogical developments. We have recently started to use 'Cornerstones' to support our theme-based curriculum to engage and inspire our children. We believe that our children learn best when they are given experiences to deepen their thirst for learning. In March 2018 we joined a research-based project to support our Maths curriculum as part of the Lincolnshire Attainment in Maths Project (LAMP). This school-to-school support project aims to give our pupils the best possible chance to progress in their Maths learning through their primary. In addition to a flexible system of curriculum delivery, the structure encompasses feature weeks such as Book Week, Enterprise Week and an environmental/science week. We are continuing to develop our use of the local area and environment. Children also participate in regular educational visits culminating in residential visits in Year 5 and in Year 6.



## **The Local Area**

We are very lucky to be situated on the delightful east coast where we are a stone's throw away from the wonderful Gibraltar Point whereby in spring, the first of the migrating birds stop off to refuel or establish territories. In summer, little terns may be seen fishing in the shallows and skylarks are in full song above the purple haze of the saltmarshes. In autumn, huge whirling flocks of waders can be seen on the high tides. Finally, in winter the Brent geese, shorelark and snow bunting as well as flocks of redwing and fieldfare can be observed. Further along the coast, with a beautiful stretch of sandy, unspoilt beach, Anderby Creek is as delightful as the name suggests and amongst the sand dunes you will find the Round and Round House which is designed for all-year round bird watching. This is also where you can take a seat at the Cloud Bar, the UK's first purpose-built cloud-viewing platform where you can sit back and enjoy the natural shapes of cloud formations as they drift across East Lincolnshire's big skies. We really are very privileged to be situated amongst the fabulous natural surroundings of the east coast and Lincolnshire Wolds



**We are very proud of our standing both in the local community and further afield; it is our intention to be recognised as a beacon of best practice and excellent pupil outcomes. Our school is special and unique in many ways.**

**The best way to see these in action for yourself is to arrange a visit to our school.**

**We look forward to meeting you.**

