



# Meadowdale Primary School

Prospectus



# Welcome

Our school has been open since 2001. We have all worked really hard to create a happy, hardworking and successful school. The school became an academy on 1<sup>st</sup> July 2012 and joined Learn Academies Trust in 2016.

It is such a pleasure to work at Meadowdale. Our strong culture enables our team of professional and highly qualified staff, governors, parents and the fantastic children who come here, to work in true partnership, to create a joyful and engaging place of learning.



Mrs Liz Martin  
Headteacher

Our aim is to provide an excellent quality education that will enable all children to achieve high standards academically and socially, and be well prepared for the next stage of their education.

We can offer:

- On-site wrap around care provided by Caterpillar Day Nursery
- A variety of after school clubs and enrichment opportunities including sport, music and drama
- Excellent facilities including a purpose-built Sports Hall, an outside learning area and Forest School (currently being redeveloped) and our brand new Key Stage 1 building, complete with its own classrooms, meeting rooms, toilets, shower and air conditioning.
- A caring and nurturing environment for your child, rated as 'Good' by Ofsted.

If you have any questions or would like to visit us, you are very welcome. Please call the school office on 01858 465479 or email [office@mdw.learnat.uk](mailto:office@mdw.learnat.uk) to book a tour. You can also follow us on Facebook and Instagram @meadowdaleprimary and our website is [www.meadowdale.info](http://www.meadowdale.info)



## **Ethos and Vision**

Our ethos is how we do things in our school, our moral purpose is why we do what we do and our vision is what we are aiming to achieve.

### **Our Ethos**

At Meadowdale we always strive to do the right thing with kindness.

### **Our Moral Purpose**

We believe that everyone has the right to learn and work in an environment where they can flourish and achieve excellence.

We always consider well-being and ensure that equity is paramount.

### **Our Vision**

- To deliver an engaging, coherent, relevant and ambitious curriculum to all children
- For every child to be an engaged and fluent reader
- For every child to be a competent and confident mathematician
- For a commitment from every adult, to professional learning and continued improvement
- To achieve equity through systems which ensure that every child is being given the right support, according to need
- To maintain the culture of the school to ensure maximum capacity by September 2026 and beyond



## What we can offer

Meadowdale Primary School is a friendly place which celebrates a caring ethos, where everyone is treated with respect and their positive contributions valued. At Meadowdale we strive to provide excellent, innovate and engaging learning experiences which enable our children to become well-rounded members of society: healthy, strong, resilient individuals with a can-do attitude. Learning is reinforced through trips and visits, theme days and weeks and special assemblies to foster a love of learning that continues beyond school.

We have a strong record in sport, including swimming, football, tag rugby, basketball, netball and athletics. Many of these are offered as after school clubs opens to all children as well as in PE lessons. There are also opportunities to take part in inter-school tournaments and school sports days. We encourage children to learn an musical instrument and a whole range of specialist teachers offer lessons during the school day. We organise an annual concert to give the children an opportunity to perform in public and also take part in events such as Young Voices, VE Day celebrations and carol singing to local residents. We have strong community links and an active and supportive PTA.

We aim to encourage, support and include all learners so that they can achieve their full potential regardless of their ability, age, gender, background or race. Our specialist SENDCo supports teaching staff to identify special needs as early as possible and then, in conjunction with families and other professionals, plans ways to meet and where possible, overcome them. This might include small group tuition and help, support during a family crisis, additional work or specific equipment being made available.

All adults act as positive role model and have high expectations of behaviour. Our behaviour policy is based on principles of positive reinforcement which ensures that the pupils who consistently do the right thing get the recognition they deserve.

All our staff are encouraged to continually develop their knowledge and skills to be the very best practitioners. Many of our teachers have additional professional qualifications and Master degrees. Amongst our team we have experts in teaching maths and reading and supporting children through emotion coaching.

## Our School

Meadowdale Primary School opened in January 2001 and was purpose built for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century with some of the best facilities and equipment that are needed for education today.

Our modern accommodation includes:

- a dedicated foundation area with two indoor classrooms and an outdoor classroom
- Ten classrooms in the main building and four separate classrooms in the brand new Key Stage 1 building - all with interactive whiteboards and wireless internet capacity
- A Well-stocked library
- Quiet rooms and smaller working spaces for group work or one-to-one sessions
- A newly refurbished computer suite with a computer for every child in a class, laptops and iPads
- A hall with PE and drama facilities including staging, lighting and a sound system
- A music room with piano and keyboards
- A modern, three-court sports hall for games and gymnastics
- A kitchen where meals are cooked fresh, onsite, daily
- Landscapes grounds that include two playgrounds, outdoor learning areas, a new forest school area (under development), orchard and a playing field



## How to apply for a place

Meadowdale Primary School is a thriving and popular community school serving the eastern side of Market Harborough. We welcome applicants from outside of our catchment area and have families from across Leicestershire and Northamptonshire in school.

Children normally start school in the year in which they turn five but mid-year applications from children moving to the area, or from other schools will also be welcome if we have space to accommodate them. We have one Foundation intake in September (spaces for 60 children).

If you are applying for a first-time primary school place (to join our Foundation class in September), please do so via the Local Authority in which you live. For most of our applicants this will be via Leicestershire Country Council - scan the QR code here to be taken to their website.



The application process takes 8 months - it opens in the September before you start school, closes in the January and you are notified of your school place in April.

If you are looking to move schools mid-year, please visit our Learn AT portal where you will be able to make an application and receive an answer quickly. Please scan the QR code here, to be taken to the portal.



To see our admissions policy please visit [www.meadowdale.info/key-information/admissions](http://www.meadowdale.info/key-information/admissions)

## What our families says:

*"Fantastic school, very welcoming and inclusive. Teachers are great and both my daughters have loved their time here."*

*"Somewhere that accepts children for who they are, not what they expect them to be. Nurturing the children's identities and allowing them to grow, whether that is through sport, music, art or technology. Meadowdale has smashed it out the park."*

*"It is simply wonderful and I would recommend highly it."*

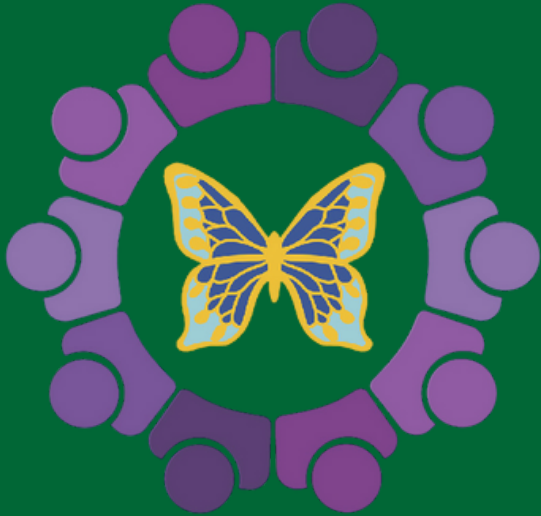
*"I say it's a brilliant school, that I am very grateful my family gets to be part of."*

*"Thank you for offering such a brilliant education to my daughter. She is happy and loves Meadowdale, as do we."*

Meadowdale was last inspected by Ofsted in March 2024, where it was graded as Good.

- Meadowdale Primary School is a welcoming and ambitious school. Staff have high expectations. As a result, pupils, including those who are disadvantaged, achieve well. The school's aim for 'every child to have the opportunity to flourish' is evident both in and out of the classroom.
- Pupils feel happy, safe and well cared for. Relationships between staff and pupils are warm and nurturing.
- Pupils support each other. They work together with mutual cooperation and respect. They are eager to do their best and are proud of their achievements.
- Children get off to a positive start in the Reception Year. The provision is well resourced. Children have the opportunity to learn through play, and they explore and take risks. Children show high levels of independence and are prepared well for key stage 1. Children are excited about their learning.





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