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General Information



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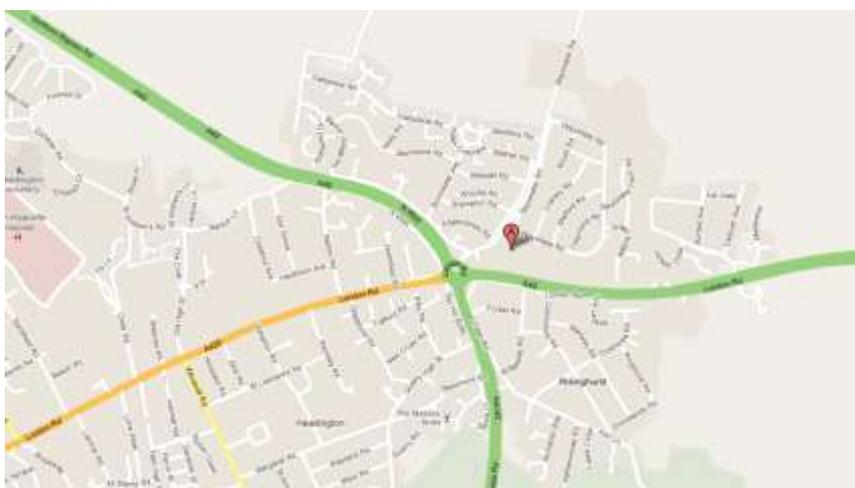
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Where to find Bayards Hill Primary School



Welcome to Bayards Hill Primary School

The children, staff and governors of Bayards Hill would like to welcome you and your family to our school.

Bayards Hill is a newly converted academy, sponsored by the Cheney School Academy Trust (CSAT). We are a school on an upward trajectory of improvement and our vision is to be at least good by July 2016.

At Bayards Hill we are committed to providing a quality education in a caring and stimulating environment. We value all of our pupils and aim to encourage and support all to achieve their full potential.

High standards of work and behavior are encouraged at all times and our teaching and learning is designed to get the best out of each and every child

We also believe that it is important for home and school to work together in partnership if your child is to make the best possible progress, during what we believe are the most important years of their school career. We welcome parents and guardians into school and are always ready to discuss any concerns You may have about your child's progress.

All staff at Bayards Hill have positive expectations for the future and the highest expectations for your children. We believe that together in partnership we can give you children an excellent opportunity to do well in all aspects of school life and prepare them for a brilliant future.

The school has playground and field areas for the pupils to play as well as a separate, self-contained area for our Nursery and Reception children.

We have approximately 447 children on roll in the Nursery Class, Foundation Stage, Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2. There are two parallel classes in each year group apart from Nursery where there are morning and afternoon classes.

We aim to maximise children's achievements by removing barriers to learning through a varied, rich and inclusive curriculum delivered in a safe, supportive and stimulating environment.



Our Vision and Aims - "Believe Bigger Aim Higher"

- Have and maintain high expectations of ourselves and others
- Provide an inspiring, engaging, inclusive learning environment
- Encourage pupils to challenge and explore in a safe and caring environment
- Promote positive behavior, morals and values
- Become confident, independent and self-directed learners
- Build positive relationships with home and the wider community
- Respect all and our school environment
- Praise, encourage and celebrate achievements

Admission Arrangements

Oxfordshire County Council has an Admissions Policy and the school operates this policy. Please visit their website at <https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/cms/public-site/starting-school>

Before you register your child for school or nursery you can arrange a visit to have a walk round the school. We are proud of our school and will be happy to show you and your child round and answer your questions.

School Uniform

Appropriate school wear is available from high street stores. School sweatshirts, fleeces, book bags and swimming hats are available from the school office. We ask for your co-operation in maintaining our high standard of uniform. All school clothing should be clearly named. The only jewelry children are allowed to wear is studded earrings and sensible watches. Smart watches are not allowed. Please see the Uniform section of our website for full information.

Absence

If your child is absent for any reason we must have an explanation. Without one we have to mark your child absent without an explanation and we are legally bound to inform the Education Social Worker that no explanation for the absence has been given.

The quickest way to inform the school of your child's absence is to telephone the school office on 01865 761656. Alternatively, you can come into the school office if you are dropping off other children.

Complaints

If from time to time difficulties occur please contact the class teacher. If the matter cannot be resolved then the Headteacher will be available to see you. If the matter still cannot be resolved he will be able to advise you whether to approach the Governing Body or the Local Education Authority. Our full complaints procedure is displayed on our website.

Bayards Hill PTA

Bayards Hill has an active PTA which organises various events throughout the year. This is a voluntary organisation made up of parents, whose children attend the school, and teachers. The main aim is to raise money that goes towards providing resources for the school. We are grateful for their support and assistance and trust that this interest and generosity will continue in the future. All parents are invited to attend the meetings and coffee mornings and become actively involved in the school.

Inclusion and Equality

At Bayards Hill we believe that each pupil has individual and unique needs. However some pupils require more support than others. If these pupils are to achieve their full potential, we must recognise this and plan accordingly. Some of these pupils may require help throughout their time in school, whilst others may need a little extra support for a short period to help overcome more temporary needs.

In planning provision for children with special educational needs (SEN), the school implements fully the Governments Code of Practice on SEND. <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/send-code-of-practice-0-to-25>

Equality Act 2010

We are committed to providing a fully accessible environment which values and includes all pupils, staff, parents and visitors regardless of their education, physical, sensory, social, spiritual, emotional and cultural needs. We are further committed to challenging attitudes about disability and accessibility and developing a culture of awareness, tolerance and inclusion.

School Lunches and Snacks

Foundation Stage and Key Stage One pupils receive a piece of fruit or vegetable at morning playtime through a government fruit scheme. A piece of fruit or vegetable may be brought in by older children to eat at break time. As a healthy eating school we try to discourage crisps or sweets being brought into school for break time. We have a tuck shop available for Key Stage Two pupils during the morning break where healthy snacks are available.

School meals are delicious and the menu is varied and well balanced. A copy of the menu is available from the school office. Money for school dinners should be paid in advance at the school office. All cheques for dinners should be payable to Cheney School Academy Trust and the cost of a school meal is currently £2.10.

Information about free meals is available from the office. Children who have free meals are entitled to a free packed lunch if they are going on a visit.

Visits

We believe that children learn best from first hand experiences so we try to arrange visits to a variety of places of interest, both locally and further afield, which will help them with their studies. We also invite people with expertise in many other subject areas to talk/perform to the children in school.

For Year 5 and 6 pupils a residential visit is arranged annually. Parents can pay in monthly installments to spread the costs

Transferring to Secondary School

At the end of Year 6 most children transfer to Cheney School although some children transfer to other local schools. At the beginning of Year 6 all parents/carers are given a list of the choices of schools available. As a school we are part of the Headington Partnership, which is closely linked with Cheney School. We liaise closely with Cheney and the other secondary schools to ensure that our pupils have the best possible transition from primary to secondary school.



