



**Churchfields
Primary School**

Welcome to Churchfields Primary School

School Tours



Quality First Education Trust

Welcome



Welcome to Churchfields Primary School – whether you are new to the school or have had your children attending here for many years, I wish you a warm welcome and thank you for taking the time to visit our school.

Churchfields Primary School was founded in 1890 and we moved to our current site in 1990. In 2017, we joined a small group of like-minded schools as part of the Quality First Education Trust (Q1E) which allows us to collaborate and support each other to continually improve. We offer 26 places in our Nursery and 60 places in our two Reception classes each year. We also have 18 – 20 places in two additionally resourced classes (ARC) for children with severe and complex SEND needs from Reception to Year 6.

We were pleased to announce that Churchfields Primary School was graded 'Good' with 'Outstanding' Personal Development following our Ofsted inspection in October 2023. The report noted that "Churchfields Primary School is a warm and welcoming place. Pupils, staff, parents and carers are all proud to be part of this community." and "The provision for pupils' personal development is impressive and consistently of high quality. It is underpinned by the school's core values of aspiration, citizenship and excellence."

We pride ourselves on providing a well-rounded, broad and balanced education for all of the children we serve. We want all children to achieve their full potential across the whole range of subjects that we offer and believe that children should get the best provision possible in all areas of the school and also get the right support if and when they need it.

Our staff are well trained and supported to do this by the school and the Q1E Trust. They have great resources to offer the children (such as an extensive library, art room, computing room, Forest School and playing fields) and we also have specialist teaching in art and design, Spanish, computing, physical education and Forest School to enable children to thrive and develop their abilities to the full.

We strive to offer a great balance between academic achievement whilst also nurturing the individual development, interests and talents of each child as they learn and grow from age 3 to 11. You will find examples of how we support this across the school on the Vision and Values page of our website, in our teaching of how to be an Excellent Learner and also in our LEARN approach to the curriculum.

Your child's primary school experience will be a strong influence on their childhood and we aim to make the children's time with us as memorable and enjoyable as possible with a wide range of visits, residential trips, visiting speakers, leadership opportunities, enrichment clubs, competitions and events.

As a parent/carers, you also join the school and you will find that Churchfields has an exceptionally friendly and committed community of children, families and staff ready to welcome you. The PTA is very active in organising community events as well as fundraising for the school.

We are very proud of what Churchfields has to offer, if you would like to find out more, please email admin@churchfields.q1e.org.uk or call the school on 020 8650 5247.

Sarah Atherton
Headteacher

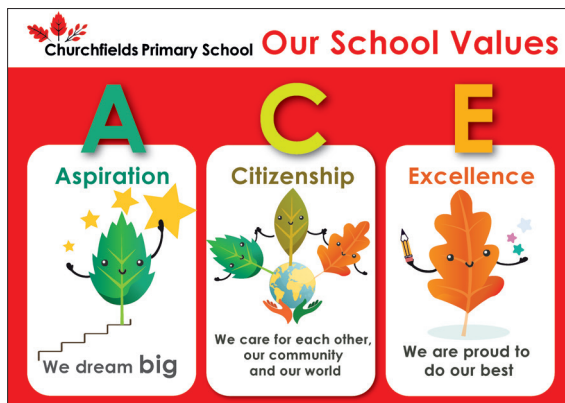


Our values

Aspiration – 'We dream big' We want to develop children who believe in themselves, are fearless in their education, and always strive to go further.

Citizenship – 'We care for each other, our community and our world' We want to help children grow into happy, responsible, brave, confident and competent members of their community, who are ready for secondary school and life beyond.

Excellence - 'We are proud to do our best' We are passionate about achieving the very best teaching and learning in every subject in every classroom, making the most of our staff's talents and our physical environment to deliver the best possible outcomes for every child.



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Our aim is that all children...

...are safe. Our environment is carefully considered with safety first. We place great importance on how safe the children feel in their relationships with school and our teachers. Children are encouraged to talk to an adult if they have any worries.

...are excellent learners. From the very beginning, we encourage children to develop independence, and to learn how to listen and work with others. We talk about 'Excellent Learners' throughout the school, using child-friendly language to develop good attitudes to learning – including learning from mistakes, helping others and not giving up.

...have excellent social and emotional skills. Working with others brings challenges, especially for the youngest children. We focus on helping children develop the skills they need to build and maintain friendships, to recognise and manage their emotions, and to understand and manage change.

... achieve and succeed. Children thrive at Churchfields. We follow children's interests to engage them in learning, balancing this with exposing them to new, exciting, hands-on experiences.

Behaviour

We have very high standards of behaviour, which are achieved through high expectations and a calm, learning-focused atmosphere. We consistently encourage children to reflect on whether they are 'making the right choice'. We have a consistent behaviour approach throughout the school that emphasises, models and recognises positive behaviour.



Ofsted say: Pupils are polite, well-mannered and courteous. Relationships between staff and pupils are nurturing. Pupils feel safe.

Our Curriculum

Churchfields offers a carefully structured, broad and balanced curriculum throughout the school. We keep an appropriate focus on the core subjects of English and Maths, whilst also ensuring that all children benefit from a rich and diverse range of topics. We follow the National Curriculum for all core and foundation subjects, but we extend children's learning far beyond its requirements. Our 'LEARN' approach puts Learners at the heart of an Engaging, Ambitious, Relevant and Nurturing curriculum. We want children to experience a rich, rewarding education where they achieve and succeed every day.

Extra support is provided to support and challenge children in their learning. Ongoing assessment takes place to make sure that work is pitched at the right level for each child.

Ofsted say: The curriculum that has been created by trust leaders is ambitious. It matches and, in some subjects, exceeds the ambition of the national curriculum.



Core subjects

We teach English and Maths in every class, every day, with additional dedicated reading time. We teach Science for two hours every week.

A focus on high-quality, engaging literature is at the root of reading and writing at Churchfields. The structure of our curriculum, and our carefully chosen variety of core books, ensure that children have an excellent reading diet and support the development of excellent writing.

We have a highly structured Maths curriculum. We use the Maths – No Problem! scheme, rooted in the high-performing Singaporean 'mastery' approach. We always use real resources to solve real problems, making learning engaging and relevant.

Science at Churchfields takes an enquiry approach, to develop scientific thinking. We focus on hands-on exploration and discovery, with an emphasis on the precise use of scientific vocabulary. Exciting, contemporary science projects are planned for in all year groups allowing children to explore engaging, relevant themes and questions.

Ofsted say: Ensuring that pupils have a voice in their school is extremely important to leaders and staff. Pupils are encouraged to be part of all school decision-making. Pupils really value that leaders listen to them and take on board their suggestions.



Foundation subjects

Wider subjects (such as history, geography and religious education) cover a broad spectrum of local, national and worldwide topics, within and beyond the National Curriculum. We develop knowledge and understanding alongside skills of enquiry and interpretation. We engage children in global issues, such as climate change, pollution and migration. Our curriculum has been developed with subject specialists, drawing on subject associations and much research.

We build in exciting first-hand experiences wherever we can - exploring artefacts, talking to residents, and making the most of being in London! There is an overnight residential trips in Year 4 and a week-long residential in Year 6 both based in woodland centres.

Specialist subjects

We have specialist teachers for art, computing, Forest School, PE, and Spanish. We ensure a vibrant, progressive and ambitious curriculum for all subjects.

Results

Our results for our mainstream classes (not including ARC) are consistently at least 10% above the national average. For example, in 2025:

- 98% of our Year 2 passed their phonic screening (89% nationally)
- 'Greater depth' i.e. the higher standard for Year 6 was
 - Reading 51% (29% nationally)
 - Writing 28% (13% nationally)
 - Maths 38% (24% nationally)

Secondary Transfer

Our aim is that they are 'sad to leave but ready to move on' both as successful learners and confident young people. The majority of children from Churchfields tend to go onto a relatively small number of schools including: Orion Eden Park, Harris Beckenham, Harris Bromley, Langley Park Girls, Langley Park Boys, Kingsdale, Bishop Justus and Hayes. Other pupils take up an offer at an independent (fee paying) school including Alleyns, Dulwich College, Royal Russell, Trinity School or at academically-selective grammar schools in Bromley and Kent.



Ofsted say: Pupils rise to the high expectations for their learning and behaviour. In lessons, they are focused and have positive attitudes to their learning. They achieve well across the curriculum.



Applying for a place at Churchfields

Nursery

Children start Nursery in the September of the academic year in which they will turn four. Our Nursery is a nurturing, self-contained space within the wider Churchfields site, with its own outdoor play area. The Nursery is open term time only with a capacity of 26 children in each session.

Nursery applications are made directly to the school and you can download the Churchfields Nursery [application form](#) on our website.. We offer three types of places: Part time 1 (15 hours) - full days on Monday and Tuesday and Wednesday morning, Part time 2 (15 hours) - Wednesday afternoon and full days on Thursday and Friday, or full time 30-hour places. Further information about this is available [on our website](#). For September 2026, the deadline for applications is **Friday 6th February 2026**.

You can submit a preference for sessions, but this is not guaranteed. If we are oversubscribed, the allocation of sessions is based on our admissions criteria.

Reception

Children normally start Reception in the September of the academic year in which they turn five. Churchfields offers two classes per year group, as well as two classes in our ARC (Additionally Resourced Classes) for children with an EHCP from Reception to Year 6. The Reception admissions number for Churchfields is 60, including any pupils with an EHCP who are joining the ARC.

If your child was born between 1 September 2021 and 31 August 2022, you can apply to start in Reception in September 2026. Applications are made online, via Bromley Borough Council. To find out how to apply, please visit: www.bromley.gov.uk/primary-school-admissions/making-application-primary-school. Your application form must be received by Thursday 15 January 2026. You will be notified of your primary school place by Bromley Council on **Thursday 16 April 2026**.

Reception applications are prioritised as follows:
Children with a Statement of Special Educational Needs or an Education Health and Care Plan (EHCP) which names the school will be offered a place. Remaining

places will then be allocated in the following order of priority:

- Looked-After children
- Children with an exceptional medical or social need
- Children with a sibling at the school on the date of admission
- Children of staff at the school
- Children in order of straight-line distance from home to school.

For more information, please see the full Admissions Policy on our website at

www.churchfields-q1e.org.uk/our-school/policies

Joining us after the start of the school year

We welcome enquiries from parents and carers who are considering moving their children to Churchfields after the start of the Reception year. We do have some places in higher year groups where families have moved out of the area. Our friendly office team can provide individual advice about vacancies and waiting lists for Reception to Year 6.

Contact us

If you need any help with your application, would like to arrange a tour, or have any questions at all, please contact the Churchfields School Office on **020 8650 5247** or email admin@churchfields.q1e.org.uk

