



WELCOME TO OUR SCHOOL

"Be kind, work hard, love learning"

An **INCLUSIVE** | MAT School

WELCOME

I would like to take this opportunity to warmly welcome you to Beechfield School.

Beechfield is a great school in the heart of the community, and we are proud to support both children and their families. We strongly believe in developing the whole child as well as focusing on academic attainment. We want all of our children to be proud of our school and themselves, and be the very best they can be.

Our dedicated staff provide opportunities for our children to find and develop their strengths and be able to excel. We also teach the children to be resilient and persevere when things are more challenging. We expect our children to be kind, work hard and love learning. We want our children to leave us in Year 6 as happy, confident, and responsible people who are well prepared for secondary school.

We are fully committed to working with you the parents and carers. We know that working together leads to better outcomes for our children. We welcome your support as visitors and volunteers and are very willing to listen to any ideas and suggestions you have. I am looking forward to getting to know you and your child/children.

Mrs Jackson
Headteacher



OUR TRUST



I am delighted to welcome you to the Inclusive Multi Academy Trust. We are looking forward to working in partnership with you and welcoming your child to our family of schools. Together, we will work with you to nurture and develop your child's academic, creative, social and pastoral talents and skills, so that they develop as confident and inquisitive learners equipped for a full and happy life.

The Inclusive Multi Academy Trust was formed in November 2016 and is currently made up of three schools: Beechfield School, Cherry Tree Primary School and Laurance Haines School. Our trust name 'inclusive' originates from the driving belief that many different types of people form our community and every single one of them should be treated fairly and equally so that they and their families can access a great education.

As a family of schools, we work together with shared leadership, expertise, resources, and efficiencies and deliver an excellent education within a loving and nurturing environment. We see ourselves as a central community hub and strive to provide equal access to education, opportunities, resources, and support for all.

James Roach

CEO



OUR CURRICULUM

We want children who are strong readers, writers and mathematicians and give the children opportunities to apply these across our curriculum.

Our curriculum provides a range of learning and enrichment experiences that give our pupils opportunities and experiences they may not otherwise have.

Our nurturing ethos runs through our curriculum, and we focus on the children's personal development as well as their academic achievement. We believe that physical and mental wellbeing is imperative for success. Therefore, we teach our children to be resilient, tolerant, and compassionate.

Beechfield's curriculum provides opportunities to identify children's talents and develops their sense of self belief by enabling them to experience success and personal fulfilment. We have a firm focus on developing and mastering the 'basics' through a highly structured approach to teaching reading, writing and maths. Children are taught using concrete examples that are transferred into their mathematical and literacy work.



EARLY YEARS FOUNDATION

At Beechfield, ensuring a child's learning is fun, purposeful, and engaging is essential.

In our early years, there are plenty of opportunities for independent, group and whole class learning during the day which are based both in the classroom and outdoors.

Throughout the year we cover a range of exciting topics such as space, dinosaurs, and fairytales. Our curriculum ensures children become independent and inquisitive young learners and flourish as they take a journey through their education.

We treat every child as an individual and we look forward to welcoming you and your family to our school.



"I am really proud and happy with all of the teachers; they are all absolutely fantastic."

Mrs ***** , Year * Parent



CLUBS

We offer a variety of before and after school clubs at Beechfield School. They are run by outside providers for a small fee. Please have a look at our website for a list of the current clubs.

COMMUNICATION

We have an open-door policy at Beechfield. You are welcome to talk to the teacher at the end of the school day. If it requires more time than a quick chat, you are able to make an appointment through the school office. You are also able to email your child's teacher and talk to them after school on the phone.

HOME LEARNING

Our home learning consists of weekly learning tasks that take the form of preview work. The idea behind this is that by becoming familiar with, and talking about and practising things at home, a child will have a far higher rate of success when they come to visit a subject or task in class. Research shows that previewing work can double the rate of pupil progress. There is a weekly letter that details what will be taught in class the following week. This can be found on the school website under the pupils' section. It offers suggestions and guidance on the things that parents can do together with their child at home. We also expect the children to read regularly (daily) at home supported by an adult. This could be an adult reading to the child, the child reading to the adult or a mixture of both. In addition to this we also want the children to practise their times tables and their spellings.



"I am so happy that I have chosen this school to be part of my child's primary school journey"

Mr ***** , Year * Parent



BEHAVIOUR

We want a strong partnership between the parents, school, and the children to promote good behaviour and a positive culture for learning.

We want:

- to enhance self-esteem
- to promote a positive learning culture through good behaviour and enhance the educational outcomes for all our children.
- the children to leave our school understanding the impact their behaviour has on themselves and others
- our children to respect themselves, others, and their environment both in school and the wider community
- We have a clear behaviour ladder that sets out consequences for any poor behaviour. Staff are committed to challenge any behaviour that includes physical violence or abuse, threats, verbal abuse, theft, and damage to school property. This includes all forms of bullying or racism. Children will be made aware they have choices to make. Behaviour is recorded on Arbor.

REWARD & RECOGNISE

We recognise that positive strategies encourage sensible choices and personal responsibility. They make children feel valued and appreciated.

We reward good behaviour through:

- Verbal praise, constructive feedback from adults and peers, promotion of a Growth Mind-set.
- Advertising the behaviours/learning attitudes we want to see.
- Written comments on the children's work, visits to the Headteacher and SLT.
- Special responsibilities, class jobs, House Captains, Peer Mediators.
- Personalised whole class rewards system.
- Small rewards such as merits, stickers or house points for effort, helpfulness, achievement.
- House point competition
- Informing parents of achievements.
- Star of the Week, certificates, Headteacher Awards and 5 Keys to Wellbeing certificates.

DAILY ROUTINES



School Hours

All doors open at 8.30am so that children can be on time.

School starts at 8.40am and finishes at 3.10pm

Nursery Times

Morning session:

8.35am - 11.35am

Afternoon session:

12.15pm. - 3.15pm

Nursery children eligible for 30 hour provision

Breakfast and after school provision

Junior Adventures Group run a Breakfast Club at Beechfield school from 07.30am to 08.30am and an After School Club from 3.15pm to 6pm.

For parents who are interested in booking this provision, please visit the website:

<https://www.junioradventuresgroup.co.uk/find-us/beechedfield-school>

Both the Breakfast and After School provision will be held in the Beechedfield Bungalow. Children should be dropped off/collected from there and not through the school office.

Term Dates

Our term dates are regularly updated on the school website:

<https://www.beechedfield.herts.sch.uk/termdates>



PASTORAL SUPPORT

At Beechfield we care about the whole child, family, and community.

Our Pastoral team can access support from external agencies, arrange meetings, and work alongside families to support them and their children. The team works with children in school to help them access all aspects of school life; learning, social, play and achieving greater emotional resilience.



OUR ENVIRONMENT

We care about our environment, and we are working hard towards the Eco-Schools top accolade, the Green Flag award.

Our school has an Eco-Committee that consists of pupils and adults. The group regularly meet and discuss actions to be achieved as part of their action plan. This is also linked into our school curriculum.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO WELCOMING YOU TO OUR SCHOOL

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