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# The School Aims

### Lane Green First School Motto

"Caring and achieving to realise the full potential of all"

Ofsted 2016 stated that "This is a good school. Pupils are served well by the overall quality of teaching and level of care provided by your staff. Indeed, the school lives up to its motto of 'Caring and Achieving'

Welcome to Lane Green First School. I hope this school prospectus will help you to become familiar with our school and will outline the opportunities this caring school has to offer your child and family.

At Lane Green First School, high expectations and a friendly working atmosphere in school ensure the potential of every individual is achieved. Dedicated staff create stimulating learning environments and the Governing Board are committed to providing all pupils with the best quality education possible, in a safe and secure environment.

We believe our caring ethos is essential if your child is to achieve. Children are at the heart of all decisions taken in school.

British values of democracy, the rule of law, individual liberty and mutual respect and tolerance of different faiths and beliefs are integral to our school. Children sit on the school council to make decisions, school rules are applied consistently, children are encouraged to make decisions and choices in a safe and secure environment. Mutual respect is at the heart of our work.

We prepare children for the world in which they will live.

I am confident that the time your child spends at this school will be happy and successful as together we prepare them for their future.

Tom Wright Headteacher Julie Whitehouse Chair of Governors

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# School Details and Admissions



"There are some significant strengths. The early years provision, particularly in the Reception class, is superb. Children get a fantastic start to their education at Lane Green First School" Ofsted 2016

Lane Green First School is a community school administered by Staffordshire County Council Education Committee. It provides education for children between four and nine years and also has a Nursery offering pre-school education to children from the age of three.

Children are admitted to School in the September after their fourth birthday. Parents wishing to register their child for the school should contact the school office to arrange to view the school and to meet the Headteacher prior to completing a registration application form. Application forms are then sent to the Local Authority who will allocate places according to the agreed criteria for the schools in this area.

Children are admitted to Nursery in September following their third birthday. Places will be offered to children for pre- nursery in the term after their third birthday subject to availability. All children are entitled to 15 hours of maintained Nursery provision which is allocated as either a morning or an afternoon session. In addition, 30 hours child care provision for pre- nursery and Nursery children is available. Children who stay for the full 30 hours are asked to bring a packed lunch and will be supervised between sessions by Nursery staff.

#### Session Times

Nursery morning session: 9.00 am - 12.00 pm and 12.15 pm-3.15 pm Reception and Key Stage One (Y1 and Y2): 8.50 am - 3.15 pm (lunchtime 12-1.00 pm) Key Stage Two (Y3 and Y4): 8.50am - 3.15pm (lunchtime 12-12.50pm)

The school gate opens at 8.50 am for pupils. Parents are requested not to leave pupils unsupervised before this time. Pupils should be collected from their classes at 3.15 pm each day.

## Breakfast and After School Club

We operate a breakfast club daily from 8.00 am. Last entry is at 8.30 am and the cost is £3.00 per child, per session. After school care is also available until 5.30 pm each day. Further details are available from the school office.





# The School Curriculum

"The school provides a well organised and worthwhile curriculum."

Ofsted 2016

At Lane Green First School we provide a curriculum that meets the current statutory requirements of the National Curriculum. We differentiate to ensure the needs of individual pupils are catered for. We enrich this entitlement with additional experiences to enhance the quality of education we provide for your child.

The outstanding Early Years Foundation Stage curriculum is based on the seven areas of learning which are;

- Personal, Social and Emotional Development
- Communication and language
- Physical Development
- Literacy
- Mathematics
- Understanding the World
- Expressive Arts and Design

Learning at this stage is very active and 'hands on', including carefully planned and structured play opportunities that allow children to learn in a way that is appropriate to their needs. Throughout the Foundation Stage pupils are prepared for the transition into Key Stage One.

All pupils in Key Stage One and Two will be taught the National Curriculum which covers English, Mathematics, Science, Art and Design, Computing, Design and Technology, Geography, History, Languages, Music and Physical Education. Religious Education (RE) and Personal, Social and Health Education (PHSE) are also taught in school.





# 'Caring' at Lane Green First School

"Safeguarding arrangements are excellent. Policies and training are up to date and current practice in the school cannot be faulted." Ofsted 2016

## Safeguarding Children

Lane Green First School adhere to the Staffordshire Area Child Protection procedures. The Designated Safeguarding Lead is Mrs Kathryn Bailey. The school operates an open door system where children, staff and parents feel free to talk about concerns or worries and know such discussions will be taken seriously. The school will inform the appropriate authority if there are any Child Protection concerns.

## Relationships and Sex Education

The school promotes PSHE strongly and places high value on its teaching. Relationship and sex education are covered in respect of growing up and family relationships at this stage. The school also has a drug education policy.

#### Health and Medicine in school

Parents are requested to keep children away from school if they are ill and in particular to keep pupils at home for forty-eight hours following sickness and diarrhoea. Please contact the school if your child is ill.

Only medicine which is prescribed four times a day can be administered at school. A form from the office must be completed by parents prior to administration.





# 'Achieving' at Lane Green First School'

"Pupils of all abilities make good progress across the school."

Ofsted 2016

#### Gifted and Talented

Lane Green First School provides a rich education for pupils of all abilities and recognises the need to promote appropriate opportunities to challenge the most able children in our school community. We celebrate the achievements of our pupils and encourage all our children to achieve their full potential.

#### Special Educational Needs

Lane Green First School is an inclusive school. We aim to identify pupils needs early and support them appropriately. The school works closely with a range of external agencies to provide the support necessary for pupils and staff alike. The school has a member of staff with particular responsibility for SEN and also a Governor with identified responsibility.

The school is committed to compliance with the General Data Protection Regulations 2018 and has a Disability Equality Scheme and Accessibility Plan to ensure appropriate access and provision to school by those with disabilities. The school has ramped entrances and disabled cloakroom facilities. We will try to ensure provision for those with disabilities is addressed when changes to the physical environment are made.

#### Rewards

Good behaviour, kindness and hard work are rewarded at Lane Green. In assembly each week, special mentions are made of children who have been kind and caring, have worked hard or who have demonstrated very good behaviour. Texts are sent to parents each week to pupils for exceptional events and these children receive a special postcard award. House-points are also awarded in class for achievement, effort and acts of kindness.





# Healthy Lifestyles

"Outdoor learning is a particular feature of school life.

All classes enjoy forest school sessions in the school grounds."

## Healthy Eating

All pupils are asked to bring a bottle of water to school each day. Pupils can order milk for morning break. This has to be ordered and paid for each half term. Pupils in the Foundation Stage and Key Stage One are provided with a piece of fresh fruit each day. Pupils in Key Stage Two may bring a snack for morning break - we encourage pupils to bring fruit or another healthy snack.

All children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are provided with a hot meal at no charge. This is part of the Universal Free Meal initiative. Pupils in Year 3 and 4 can buy a hot meal. Meals for Year 3 and Year 4 will cost £2.30. If you think you may be entitled to free meals, please contact the school office.

## School Sport

At Lane Green First School every child participates in two P.E. sessions each week. Physical fitness and skills are encouraged across the school. Pupils in Key Stage two have the opportunity to go to Codsall swimming pool during the year.

Extra-curricular activities are provided throughout the year by school staff and external providers to further promote sport. The school also participate in local sporting fixtures with great enthusiasm.

For health and safety reasons pupils are required to remove earnings for all P.E. activities. Glasses may be worn providing they have safety glass in and are secured with a band. Parents must sign a consent form from the office for glasses to be worn.

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# Safety in School

"The caring and thoughtful values that staff promote and the schools current procedures for keeping pupils safe are also to be commended." Ofsted 2016

#### School Rules

Lane Green First School has five school rules.

These are:

- 1. Keep yourself and others safe
- 2. Make healthy choices
- 3. Always do your best
- 4. Always be friendly and kind
- 5. Reach, stretch and challenge yourself in all you do!

Each class also has a set of class rules which are negotiated each year.

The school has a behaviour policy which outlines all discipline procedures, ensuring fair and consistent treatment of all children.

Lane Green First School will not tolerate any form of bullying. Children are encouraged to report any concerns and know these will be treated seriously.

#### Cars

Parents are requested not to bring cars onto the school premises at the start or end of the school day.

Pupils and parents alike are reminded to walk on the path, not along the drive at all times.





# Outcomes for Children

"You, your staff and the governors have a well-informed understanding of the school current performance. You display good judgement." Ofsted 2016

We believe attendance at school is good. The school strongly discourages parents requesting leave of absence during term time. Any parents wishing to make such a request must do so in writing to the Headteacher who will consider whether it is exceptional circumstances.

Please find below the latest attendance figures up to May 2019

Number on roll for at least one session	147
Number of pupil sessions	45699
Number of Authorised Absences	1464
Number of Unauthorised Absences	398
Rate of authorised absence	2.9%
Rate of unauthorised absence	0.8%

## Assessment and Reporting to Parents

Teachers keep detailed records of children's progress in all subjects which are used to inform planning. Parents are invited into school each term to discuss progress and to share targets for further development. Written reports are sent out annually in the Summer Term.

Pupils in Year Two will undertake Statutory Assessments (S.A.T.'s). These will be used to inform teacher assessments. Pupils in Year One will complete the phonics screening check in June. In 2020, Year Four pupils will also complete the multiplication check.

Key Stage 1 SAT's results for 2018 are included below for your information.

Test/task	Comparison	EXS / GD
Reading	School	77%
	National	75%
Writing	School	69%
	National	70%
Maths	School	76%
	National	76%





# Make A Positive Contribution

"Inspection evidence confirm that you have made wise decisions in order to do the best for the pupils." Ofsted 2016

Lane Green First School is proud to be a member of the local community. We have strong links with Holy Cross Church at Bilbrook and work in close partnership with the other local schools.

## School Uniform

The school strongly promotes school uniform as this gives pupils a sense of pride in belonging to the school. Pupils are encouraged to wear:

- Grey/ (Black) trousers or skirt
- White shirt / polo shirt
- Royal blue sweatshirt
- Sensible shoes not trainers

During the summer girls may wear a blue and white school dress and boys may wear shorts (Grey or Black).

For P.E. pupils wear;

- Blue shorts
- White T-shirt
- Outdoor kit-warm tracksuit and pumps/trainers

Children are also asked to keep a pair of 'wellies' in school to use in the Forest Classroom.

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"The good academic standards seen at the time of the provision inspection have been maintained." Ofsted 2016

The pupils at this school will soon become the adults of the world. We try hard to provide opportunities and experiences throughout school to raise awareness and develop relevant skills in preparation for this.

### Special Events

Throughout the school year we look for opportunities to invite members of the wider community into school to discuss their roles with our pupils. We also encourage educational visits in the local area and beyond when appropriate. Pupils enjoy visiting Pendeford Mill, Cannock Forest and museums and galleries while at school. Pupils in Year Three and Four also enjoy a residential visit in the Spring term.

History and science days are popular with staff and pupils alike. Such days help children appreciate and understand life beyond the classroom and provide wonderful memories.

Lane Green pupils enjoy participating in school and community concerts. Harvest and Christmas see the school hall full as our pupils entertain their audience.

#### School Council

The pupils at Lane Green are very proud of the work of the School Council. Representatives from each class make up the council and regular meetings address school issues. Team work is strongly encouraged at all times and across all aspects of school life.





## General

"Parents praised the attention given to the individual needs of pupils and the extra support that's school staff put in place if necessary."

Ofsted 2016

## Collective Worship and Religious Education

All pupils will be involved in a daily act of collective worship. Parents have the right to request they withdraw their children from collective worship. Any parent wishing to do so must contact the Headteacher.

Pupils are taught R.E. in accordance with the Staffordshire agreed syllabus. Parents have the right to withdraw their children from R.E. Such requests must be made in writing to the Headteacher.

#### Homework

Pupils at Lane Green First School are encouraged to complete weekly homework tasks. We believe the purpose of homework is to consolidate and extend learning which takes place in school.

Parents can make an important contribution to their child's success at school. Parental involvement helps and supports the child while strengthening the home school links which are so crucial.

### Extra- curricular

At Lane Green First School, we offer a range of extra curricular activities for pupils in Key Stage One and Two. These include sporting and musical activities, games, art and ICT clubs. The activities offered vary throughout the year and are provided by school staff and external agencies.





## General

"Pupils were enthusiastic about school life and said they felt happy and safe in the class and on the playground." Ofsted 2016

## Charging Policy

There may be times in the school year when we ask for voluntary contributions for educational visits or visitors into school. These are kept to a minimum but without contributions the school may have to consider the viability of events. Families in receipt of income support may request support from the school with charges.

## Complaints Procedure

The Headteacher, Staff and Governors are always willing to discuss any concerns and will arrange appointments at mutually convenient times. If a complaint cannot be brought to a satisfactory conclusion the formal complaints procedure adopted by the school following LA guidelines will be followed. Copies of this can be made available from the school office.

## Home School Agreement

At Lane Green, we believe that education needs to be a partnership between home and school. On entry to school you will be requested to sign a home-school agreement identifying the responsibilities of the school and equally, the responsibilities of pupils and the home.

### Website

The school has a web site containing further information about the school and support for the school community. This is updated on a regular basis and can be visited on <a href="https://www.lanegreen.staffs.sch.uk">www.lanegreen.staffs.sch.uk</a>

#### Access to Documentation

Parents are welcome to view school policies. Please make an appointment with the Headteacher to arrange this.



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## <u>General</u>

"You provide thoughtful and forward-thinking leadership. You keep a close eye on academic standards and also understand the importance of the world values that the school practises and lives by." Ofsted 2016

#### Staff

Mrs J Bailey, Mrs J Bains, Mrs K Bickley, Mrs J Butler, Miss T Caddick, Miss C Evans, Mrs D Dodd, Miss K Finch, Mrs K Hanley, Mrs J Holmes, Mrs C Keogh, Mr S King, Mrs E Maddock, Mrs J Meeson, Mrs T Minton, Miss H Morris, Mrs L Myatt, Mrs S Neville, Mr J Newcombe, Miss A Reynolds, Mr J Russell, Miss A Shepherd, Mrs M Simpkiss, , Mrs A Squire, Mrs H Taylor, Mrs M Turner, Mrs A Walker, Mrs K Wallbank, Mr T Wright, Mrs C Younger.

#### Holidays

Holiday dates for the year are attached.

#### Governors

Mrs J Whitehouse (Chair), Mrs J Spittle (Vice Chair), Rev'd S Douglas, Mrs D Fern, Mr D Gardner, Mrs A Lloyd, Mrs J Meeson, Mrs M Turner, Mrs A Walker (Associate), Mr T Wright