

## St. Nicholas' CE Primary School



Welcome to the Bourne Valley!

A guide to your local School

"Pupils thrive at this friendly and welcoming school." Ofsted May 2023

St Nicholas' Primary School is a family-orientated, caring school with high aspirations. We provide a safe, nurturing, stimulating environment and work in partnership with all our families. We value the support of the school community which includes children, staff, parents, governors as well as local residents, organisations and businesses in the Porton area. Our children come from the catchment villages within the Bourne Valley and also from the wider locality with many families travelling from Amesbury, Old Sarum and Longhenge. Transport is provided for pupils living in Idmiston, Boscombe and Allington.

The school employs good and outstanding teachers and support staff to ensure the children have access to high quality learning. Our academic results are above the national average and many of our children pass the 11+ to attend the Grammar schools.

At St Nicholas' Primary School we believe that every child is unique and every family is at the heart of our community. Everyone will be valued and supported to achieve their full potential. We aim to achieve this through a broad and balanced curriculum that ignites the curiosity and enthusiasm for learning and offers many meaningful experiences.



Our school vision is "Let all that you do be done in love." 1 COR 16:14. Visitors to our school say that you can feel this from the moment you arrive. We strive to ensure that we live this message in all decisions that are made and all interactions with pupils, staff, parents and the wider community.

We are extremely fortunate to have a school located in an area of natural beauty. We are surrounded by countryside and take every opportunity to explore our local environment as part of our whole child holistic approach to education. Our grounds are beautiful and generous, with a wondrous weeping willow tree set in our school field as well as a play trail and forest school area.



In December 2023 we came part of the Diocese of Salisbury Academy Trust, who support us with school Improvement, Church School Flourishing and ensure all our staff have access to the most recent research and training. We benefit enormously from this partnership which ensures greater collaboration with other schools and experts and enables our continued growth and development as a school of excellence.



The school has been developed and extended to support the growth of our thriving school and ensures the building is an inviting and calm environment. Most recently this has enabled us to create the provision of single year group classes from Reception to Year 3, and for all classes for Maths, with less than 23 pupils in each class. Years 4, 5 and 6 are currently mixed between 2 classes for English and the afternoons.

Our IT provision is constantly being updated with a new class suite of iPads and in addition we also have a suite of laptops, digital microscopes, cameras, video cameras as well as interactive TV screens in every class.



Outside the school day we also offer a wide variety of extra-curricular enrichment clubs: computing, art and sports making good use of our extensive outside space.

We understand that many of our parents require support in their working life and so we also offer wrap around care in the form of our breakfast and afterschool club.

Much more information can be found on our website, so please do take time to visit www.stnicholas.wilts.sch.uk



We currently have 142 children on roll spread over 6 classes and 7 for Maths.

If you would like to contact us with more questions, admission queries or to discuss your individual requirements then we would be delighted to hear from you.

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