



# Welcome to Enstone Primary School

Hello! My name is Sarah Mann, I am the Headteacher of Enstone Primary School, and I would like to welcome you to this virtual tour of our school.

# Welcome



Once you have read this presentation, please do feel free to get in touch with any questions you may have.

If you would like to visit the school, please contact us to make arrangements for a tour.

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Let's start with an overview...



Enstone Primary School first opened in 1875, but has undergone many changes since then, to become the school it is now.

The buildings have been extended and refurbished over the years to provide five spacious classrooms, a beautiful library, shared spaces such as our “learning loft” and a lovely big school hall which is used for assemblies, concerts, indoor sports and lunchtimes.

# How is our school organised?

The school is arranged into four classes:


Class 1 – Reception and Year 1

Class 2 – Years 1 and 2

Class 3 – Years 3 and 4

Class 4 – Years 5 and 6

The current arrangement sees our Year 1 pupils split across the two younger classes. The needs of each child are carefully considered and discussed with parents before deciding on a registration group placement for Year 1. All pupils in Year 1 access the National Curriculum objectives for this group, and any extra-curricular opportunities are offered equally to pupils in both classes.

A photograph of two children in school uniforms sitting at a desk. The child on the left is using a black marker to draw on a piece of paper, with a ruler held in place by the child on the right. The desk is cluttered with various art supplies, including a tray of colored markers, a glue stick, and a small container. In the background, there are more supplies and a blue folder. The scene is brightly lit, suggesting a classroom environment.

# What makes our school special?

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Enstone Primary School is a very special place. With fewer than 100 pupils on roll, and a well-established and friendly staff team, we really are like one big family here. The school has a warm, community ethos, where every child is nurtured and supported to reach their potential and achieve their goals.

Our aim is for our children to enjoy an excellent education, which inspires and motivates them and prepares them for the next stages in their life.



Let's take a  
look around...



The main entrance area



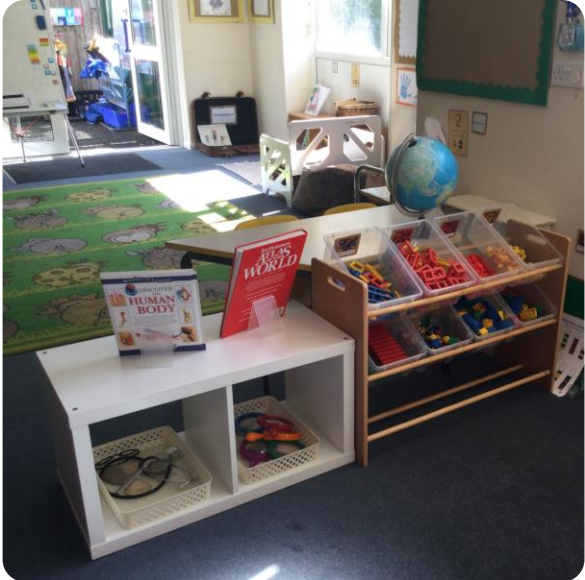
One of our Key Stage 2 classrooms



Our beautiful library with its picture window overlooking the village



The "Learning Loft" – a shared teaching space and resource room.



# Class 1

- Our youngest pupils in Reception and Class 1 benefit from a lovely, spacious classroom with its own outdoor area.
- Pupils in this class access a play-based curriculum, with lots of opportunities for creative, child-led learning.



With “wet weather gear”  
Class 1 can play outside all  
year round.

We also enjoy Forest  
Schools activities, either in  
our woodland site at  
Henley Knapp, or within  
our own extensive  
grounds.

Our pupils benefit from lots of outdoor space, including our large playground, field, school garden and pond area.





Our school garden is a lovely space for work and play



The raised bed “dipping pond”

# High Academic Standards

We aspire to the highest academic standards for our pupils, offering a broad and balanced curriculum with a strong focus on establishing the key building blocks for success.

Our results in national standardised tests (SATs, Phonics Check) are at least in line with and often exceed local and national averages.

All pupils, regardless of starting points and any special educational needs or difficulties are supported and encouraged to achieve to the very best of their ability. Timely intervention and additional support where needed ensures that all children are able to be successful.

# Opportunities to grow and nurture skills and interests

We offer a multitude of opportunities to our pupils, to broaden and deepen their education in all areas.

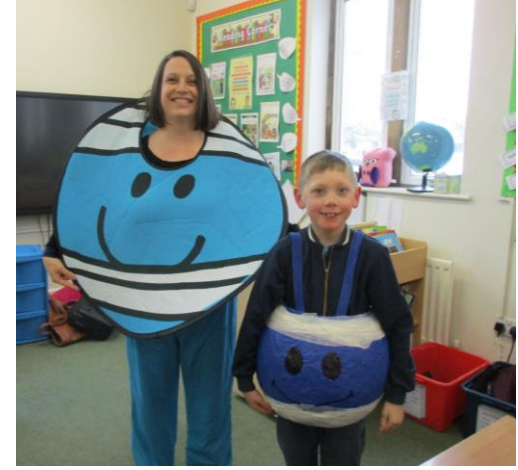
Regular trips and workshops, including residential trips taken in both lower and upper Key Stage Two contribute to a rich and engaging curriculum.

Regular “off-timetable” days and weeks, such as World Book Day, Circus Week or “Young Entrepreneurs Week” give our pupils the chance to develop and nurture skills outside of the traditional curriculum.



A group of pupils pitch their ideas to the “dragons” (aka Mrs Mann and Mrs Letch!) during our Young Entrepreneurs week.

Whether dressing up for World Book Day, visiting our woodland site, participating in the Christmas Tree Festival, celebrating our love of reading or learning about healthy lifestyles, we make sure that learning is always fun!



# Musical Opportunities

Here at Enstone Primary School we love music and encourage our children to take part in a range of music-making opportunities, including concerts, festivals, workshops and learning to play instruments. Woodwind and Brass lessons are delivered through Music for Schools Foundation, and pupils enjoy taking part in the annual massed choirs organised through County Music Service or Chipping Norton Music Festival. We also have three recorder groups from beginners to advanced – pictured here performing at Christmas.



# Sporting Opportunities

We have a great sporting tradition at Enstone Primary School, and being a small school, the opportunities we can offer for our pupils to play in a range of teams and tournaments is fantastic! Football team – that’s you. Hockey team – that’s you too! School Sport is supported by a strong link with the Chipping Norton Partnership of Schools, and it is through this link that we access a wide range of competitive opportunities for our pupils every year. Although we are the smallest school in the partnership, we triumphed in 2021-22, winning the small schools’ trophy for the academic year.

In-school we promote healthy lifestyles and encourage children to enjoy exercise in all its forms. Sports Day is a popular annual event. We are proud to hold a Gold standard sports mark, awarded through the “School Games” initiative. We make PE and school sport a strong priority and seize on any and all opportunities to get our children involved in physical activity.



# Green Flag School

We are a Green Flag School, with a keen group of Eco Warriors, led by Mrs Pearson. This dedicated team keep us on our toes with all matters environmental and encourage us to lead sustainable lifestyles.

“Reduce, reuse, recycle” is our motto!



# School Council

We also offer opportunities for pupil leadership through our School Council. This group of pupils, elected by their peers, represent the voice of the pupil and lead our fund-raising and community events, raising a considerable sum each year for local, national and international charities such as the North Oxfordshire Food Bank or Children in Need.



# Reaching out into the community

When we're not in the middle of a pandemic, we like to make regular visits to our elderly neighbours at Enstone House Care Home. The residents love hearing the children sing at Christmas or having the opportunity to chat with them and exchange greetings cards. We are always enormously proud of how our pupils rise to the occasion when making these visits and show such care, patience and compassion when talking to the residents.



# The House System at Enstone Primary School



We operate a House System, with four houses: Earth, Air, Fire and Water.

Children are placed into houses, with siblings kept in the same house to ensure family harmony during any competitions!

Throughout the year, we do lots of activities in our house groups, which is a great way of helping children from different year groups to get to know one another and helping our newest pupils to settle in and form bonds and friendships.

Each house has a Captain and Vice-Captain – just one of many pupil leadership roles to which our older children can aspire.

# House Festival



Fire House seal their victory after an amazing performance of “Chitty Chitty Bang Bang”.

Every year we hold a House Festival, which sees the four houses compete against one another in a variety of competitions and events, before one house emerges triumphant to raise the Festival Trophy.

The festival is themed each year, and includes contributions in the fields of art, music, sport, science and much more.

# Clubs and activities

We run a range of clubs and activities, to encourage all children to pursue their interests and learn new skills.

Lunchtime clubs are provided free of charge and vary seasonally. Popular options include choir, strategic games, dance, wildlife explorers and fit for fun club.

After school clubs are run daily and include a range of sports, crafts and other activities such as chess or cookery. Some after school clubs are run in-house and others by external providers such as Oxford United or Elite Youth Sport.





# Wrap Around Care

- Our wrap around care offer enables us to extend the school day from 8:00am until 5:15pm, for working parents and carers.
- Early Birds runs from 8:00am until the start of the school day.
- Busy Bees runs from 3:15 – 4:15pm.
- Chill Zone runs from 4:15 – 5:15pm.
- For more information on our wrap around care, please visit the website page, where you will find full details and booking forms.
- <https://enstone-primary-school.secure-primariesite.net/extended-hours-provision/>

# School Lunches

We are lucky to have our own, large catering kitchen on site, which means we are able to provide tasty, hot meals to our pupils daily. Our catering is outsourced to Oxfordshire County Council and our cook works to a three-week rolling menu, an example of which can be found on our website:

<https://primarysite-prod-sorted.s3.amazonaws.com/enstone-primary-school/UploadedDocument/2e87c9a8e7974a23bf1626e4018e20a4/autumn-2020-term-1-menu.pdf>

There are often special events in the school dinners calendar. A real favourite is the whole school Christmas dinner, complete with Christmas jumpers and hats, which is great fun and a lovely social occasion for pupils and staff to enjoy together.



# School Uniform



Our school uniform colours are navy blue and grey. Pupils wear navy blue sweatshirts or sweat cardigans with the school logo, along with white or sky blue polo shirts and grey or navy trousers/skirts/pinafore dresses.

A full list of our school uniform and PE kit requirements may be found on our website:

<https://www.enstone.oxon.sch.uk/school-uniform/>



## Friends of Enstone Primary School

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We have an active Friends Association, who organise many community and fund-raising events, in support of the school. They even have a hot-line direct to Father Christmas, who makes an annual appearance to bring presents and good cheer to our pupils!

# These are just some of the events and resources our Friends Committee support:

- Fun events for our community such as the Summer Fete, Christmas Bazaar, Annual Quiz night and Children's Christmas Disco.
- Trips, workshops and visiting specialists to enrich our curriculum.
- Extra teaching and learning resources such as new Chrome Books and microscopes, or a boost for our fiction and non-fiction libraries.
- Lots of "little extras" that make life more fun and more special for our pupils, such as ice creams at the pantomime, ice lollies after sports day, crackers to go with our Christmas dinner and Leavers' Hoodies and photographs for our Years 6 children as they move on to secondary school.

## Why not visit our website?

There is so much on offer at Enstone Primary School and so much more to find out. Why not browse our website at:

[www.enstone.oxon.sch.uk](http://www.enstone.oxon.sch.uk)

# Visiting our school

We welcome visitors to our school and warmly encourage you to come and have a look round and see what we have to offer.

If you are interested in exploring this option, please telephone Mrs Letch in the school office to make arrangements.

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We look forward to welcoming you in person and we are also happy to answer your questions by telephone or email. Just get in touch – we would love to hear from you!