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C of E School



Maids Moreton C E School: Information for prospective parents Autumn 2024



Choosing the right start for your child is one of the most important decisions a parent can make. Here at Maids Moreton CE School, we recognise that each child is special with unique talents and qualities.

"Small enough to care; large enough to inspire".

We are a small school, in terms of pupil numbers, and are able to provide a nurturing ethos in which:

- •children are given individual and personal attention enabling them to achieve their full potential.
- •children thrive in a caring and nurturing family atmosphere.

We can offer:

- *A small school ethos for children aged 4-11 years of age
- *A lovely family atmosphere.
- *Exciting learning opportunities.
- *High standards of academic achievement.
- *Exemplary pupil behaviour.
- *Dedicated, caring staff.
- *Close working relationships with parents
- *Excellent facilities in a rural setting.
- *Large, spacious classrooms and superb grounds, including a Forest School.
- *Wrap-around-care and before and after school clubs.

In July 2023, OFSTED inspected our school and graded us "Outstanding" in all 5 areas:

The Quality of Education

Leadership and Management

Behaviour and Attitudes

Personal Development

&

Overall Effectiveness.

Our full report can be accessed on our school website.

What OFSTED said about us:

"Every pupil is known and valued as an individual here. As a result they flourish in all aspects of their learning."

"Pupils achieve highly throughout the school. Their journey to success begins in the early years, where teachers make sure that children make the strongest possible start. As a result, children are fully prepared for moving into Key Stage 1. This success is sustained at every stage".

"The behaviour in lessons and around the school is exemplary".

"Staff set high expectations for what pupils should achieve and how they should behave."

"Leaders have designed the curriculum to enable pupils to excel."

What our parents say about us?

"The school provides a unique and exciting learning experience, which gives the best possible start to a child's educational journey and leaves them with many cherished memories".

"Learning is so much fun at Maids Moreton. We couldn't be happier with the school and recommend it highly. There is a strong sense of community about this school."

"We are very impressed with everything that is offered. From the teaching to the extracurricular activities, from the support and care given to the facilities available and provided. Maids Moreton is a wonderful school. Our children are exceptionally happy here and are making great progress in all areas. Thank you for all you do."



Our classrooms

All our classrooms are very spacious and well equipped.



Our EYFS Classroom

We have a large and vibrant EYFS classroom with its own outdoor area



Our EYFS Outdoor Area

We have a very large, attractive EYFS outdoor area where our youngest children can play and learn.



Computing

We have 32 laptops and 16 ipads for use in all classes.



Our school library

We have a brand new school library which is very well equipped. Children can borrow books from the library to take home.



Forest School

We have a thriving forest school within our grounds.



Our school Pond

We have very extensive grounds and are lucky enough to have our own pond.



Our school field

We have a very large school field which is well equipped for children to enjoy at break and lunch times.

Playtimes

Children know that if they sit on the buddy bench someone will come and invite them to join in and play.





Our reflective garden

Our reflective garden is popular with children who enjoy using this quiet area and caring for the plants and creatures within it.



Our school Hall

We have a large school hall which is used for assemblies, lunch times, PE lessons and before and after school clubs.









In our Reception class children enjoy learning indoors through adult led and child initiated activities.









They also enjoy learning outdoors in their own designated outdoor area.



Tapestry

In our Reception class, we use an online learning journal called Tapestry. This enables staff to send instantaneous annotated photos and videos to parents on their phones/other devices to share their child's learning.

In Years 1-6 children cover all subjects within the National Curriculum









School Visits and Visitors

Visits and visitors are used to enhance the curriculum









Special whole school events

As a small school we are able to hold lots of special whole school events all together, such as mince pie making at Christmas and celebrations to mark moments of national significance.



Special Days

Throughout the school year we hold special days such a World Book Day.



Our Special Traditions



Some Maids Moreton traditions include May Day celebrations with Maypole and Country Dancing, Christmas nativities, and the village scarecrow competition.







St Edmunds Church

We regularly visit the church for special occasions including the Harvest festival, Christmas Carol Service and the End of Year Service.



The Village

We use the village as a valuable resource and take part in many village events.



Maids Moreton Hall Care Home

We run a collaborative project with Gracewells Care Home in Maids Moreton. The project is designed to be mutually beneficial to both residents and children, promoting positive inter-generational social interaction.



Links with other schools

We join with other schools to participate in inter school sports competitions and events.



Hot meals

Children have the opportunity to enjoy a nutritious hot meal at lunch time with a meat or vegetarian option. Parents can also opt to provide a packed lunch from home if they prefer.





Walk to School

Maids Moreton School is a "Footsteps" trained school and we encourage the children to be part of the "Walk to School" scheme. We encourage all sustainable methods of travelling to school.



Music tuition

Private guitar and singing lessons are on offer during the school day.

Wrap Around Care Services and Clubs

Our wrap around care services are provided by S4A who offer a highly flexible service. Bookings are made via their website. S4A run morning sessions from 7.30am on Tuesday, Wednesdays and Thursdays. From 8am on Monday and Friday mornings we run a school based street dancing and cheerleading club. S4A also provide wrap around care and clubs from Monday-Thursday after school until 5.30pm during term time. Working parents can take advantage of the longer opening hours and those children whose parents do not require wrap around care are welcome to attend any of the other extra curricular clubs on offer until 4.30pm. Bookings are made online where you can choose whole or part sessions daily depending on your childcare needs and your children's interests.



Golden Awards

Every week we acknowledge children's efforts and achievements through awarding golden awards.





Working with parents

We have an open door policy and actively encourage parents to come into school.





Our PTA

Our PTA are very supportive, running enriching events for the children, giving the opportunity for parents to be actively involved in their children's education whilst raising considerable funds for the school.

School Expansion

- We have recently expanded to become a full primary school [4-11]
- The building project was completed in December 2021
- The building project includes a new classroom, a new library and an enlarged school hall, as well as other facilities.
- This means that all children currently on roll as well as future pupils, will be able to stay with us until the transfer to secondary school.

School structure

- The school operates as a half form entry, with up to 15 children in each year group
- The structure is as follows:
- YR [maximum 15 in the class]
- Y1/2-Key Stage 1 [maximum 30 in the class]
- Y3/4 -Lower Key Stage 2 [maximum 30 in the class]
- Y5/6 -Upper Key Stage 2 [maximum 30 in the class]

What are the advantages for our school community?

- To meet parental demand: Parents have repeatedly indicated that they
 would like the school to expand to Key Stage 2.
- To remove uncertainty for parents and pupils, offering educational continuity from ages 4-11 years.
- To create larger peer groups for pupils to socialise and learn from each other.
- To deliver improved facilities for our children.
- To provide the only Church of England Primary school provision for pupils and their parents within walking distance of Buckingham.
- To enable siblings to stay at the same school, making drop off and pick up more convenient for parents.
- To retain the small school community ethos of our school.
- To maintain the school as a focal point of village life.



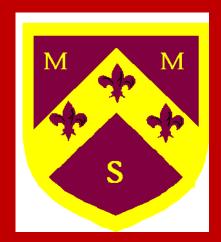
Admissions information.

Our admissions number for September 2024 is 15.

Applications are made directly to Buckinghamshire Council:
 https://www.buckscc.gov.uk/apply-for-a-school-place/

The application portal opens at the beginning of November 2023.

In order to be in the first tranche of applications, parents should apply before the early-mid January deadline.



We hope you have found this information useful.

If you would like to know more about our school please visit our website

www.maidsmoreton.bucks.sch.uk

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