



# PARK STREET C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL AND NURSERY





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# FLOURISH

...AND LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE

THANK YOU FOR EXPRESSING AN INTEREST IN PARK STREET C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL. AS A SCHOOL, WE ARE COMMITTED TO PROVIDING A CARING AND SAFE LEARNING ENVIRONMENT. WE PROMOTE HIGH STANDARDS, WELL-BEING AND ACHIEVEMENT FOR ALL, WHILST STRIVING FOR ENJOYMENT IN ALL THAT WE DO.

AT PARK STREET, WE BELIEVE THAT ALL CHILDREN SHOULD BE INDEPENDENT, CONFIDENT LEARNERS WHO ARE RESPECTFUL, THOUGHTFUL AND MOTIVATED. THE HAPPINESS AND SAFETY OF YOUR CHILD IS OF PARAMOUNT IMPORTANCE TO ALL OF THE STAFF HERE. WE KNOW THAT A HAPPY CHILD IS FAR MORE LIKELY TO SUCCEED AND REACH THEIR FULL POTENTIAL IN ALL AREAS OF THEIR DEVELOPMENT.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO WELCOMING YOU TO OUR SCHOOL, TO MEET OUR WONDERFUL CHILDREN AND OUR SKILLED AND DEDICATED STAFF. WE UNDERSTAND THAT STARTING OR CHANGING SCHOOL IS AN EXCITING TIME BUT IT CAN ALSO SEEM DAUNTING. WE WOULD VERY MUCH WELCOME YOU TO ARRANGE A VISIT TO MEET MYSELF, OUR STAFF AND OUR CHILDREN.



# STARTING SCHOOL

STARTING SCHOOL IS AN EXCITING MILESTONE FOR FAMILIES. WE WOULD LOVE YOU TO JOIN OUR COMMUNITY AS WE ARE A SCHOOL THAT IS CONTINUALLY STRIVING TO PROVIDE THE BEST OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL OF OUR CHILDREN. WE HAVE A HIGHLY SKILLED TEAM OF DEDICATED AND COMMITTED STAFF WHO WORK CLOSELY TOGETHER TO ENSURE THAT THE CHILDREN ARE AT THE HEART OF EVERYTHING THAT WE DO.

WE FOLLOW HERTFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL'S POLICY FOR ADMISSIONS. A COPY OF THIS POLICY CAN BE FOUND ON OUR WEBSITE. CHILDREN START PARK STREET IN NURSERY, WHICH IS PART OF THE EARLY YEARS FOUNDATION STAGE (EYFS).

IN EYFS WE ENSURE THAT ALL CHILDREN:

- HAVE ACCESS TO HIGH QUALITY ACTIVITIES WHICH MEET THE NEEDS AND INTERESTS OF EACH AND EVERY INDIVIDUAL CHILD
- HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO DEVELOP THEIR READING, WRITING, NUMBER WORK AND PROBLEM SOLVING SKILLS
  - DEVELOP POSITIVE RELATIONSHIPS WITH THEIR PEERS
  - DEVELOP THEIR SPEAKING AND LISTENING SKILLS
  - BECOME INDEPENDENT LEARNERS

WE WORK HARD TO ESTABLISH AND MAINTAIN POSITIVE RELATIONSHIPS WITH PARENTS AND CARERS, WORKING IN PARTNERSHIP TO ENSURE THE BEST POSSIBLE OUTCOMES FOR ALL PUPILS

PLEASE VISIT OUR WEBSITE FOR MORE INFORMATION: [WWW.PARKSTREETPRIMARY.ORG.UK](http://WWW.PARKSTREETPRIMARY.ORG.UK)



# INSPIRING CURRICULUM

*“LEADERS ENSURE THAT PUPILS STUDY A WELL-CONSIDERED CURRICULUM”*

*(OFSTED, 2021)*

WE BELIEVE THAT ALL CHILDREN ARE ENTITLED TO A BROAD AND BALANCED CURRICULUM. AT PARK STREET, LEARNING IS FUN AND INTERACTIVE AND THE CHILDREN ARE ALWAYS WELL SUPPORTED IN PERUSING THEIR OWN PERSONAL GOALS.

WE BELIEVE THAT PROVIDING EXCITEMENT AND CHALLENGE ARE KEY ELEMENTS TO LEARNING. TEACHERS MAKE LEARNING, PRACTICAL, AND ENGAGING THROUGH THE USE OF A VARIETY OF RESOURCES, TEACHING STYLES AND ENRICHMENT ACTIVITIES INCLUDING OUTDOOR LEARNING.

## PUPIL PARLIAMENT

WE HAVE AN EFFECTIVE PUPIL PARLIAMENT WHICH MEETS REGULARLY TO DISCUSS A VARIETY OF ISSUES TO DO WITH SCHOOL LIFE. THE CHILDREN ELECT THEIR OWN REPRESENTATIVES FROM EACH CLASS. EACH CLASS REPRESENTATIVE TAKES DISCUSSION POINTS BACK TO THEIR OWN CLASS. THROUGH THE PUPIL PARLIAMENT, CHILDREN ARE ABLE TO HAVE AN INFLUENCE AND HELP DEVELOP THE ETHOS, VALUES AND PRACTICES OF OUR SCHOOL.

## INCLUSION FOR ALL

WE ARE COMMITTED TO MEETING THE NEEDS OF EVERY INDIVIDUAL CHILD, WHATEVER THEIR NEEDS ARE. THE SCHOOL HAS AN INCLUSION LEADER AND LINK GOVERNOR WITH RESPONSIBILITY FOR INCLUSION. OUR SCHOOL POLICY IS AVAILABLE ON REQUEST AND PUBLISHED ON THE SCHOOL WEBSITE





# A TYPICAL SCHOOL DAY

WE OPERATE A 'SOFT START' TO THE DAY. THIS ALLOWS CHILDREN TO COME STRAIGHT INTO THEIR CLASSROOMS FROM 8.45AM WHEN THE GATES OPEN AND COMPLETE A QUIET MORNING ACTIVITY. ALL CHILDREN SHOULD BE IN THEIR CLASSROOMS BY 8.55AM FOR REGISTRATION. PUNCTUAL ARRIVAL IS IMPORTANT FOR LEARNING GOOD LIFE HABITS AND TO GET THE DAY OFF TO A POSITIVE START FOR THEMSELVES AND THEIR CLASS.

YEARS 1 TO 6 HAVE A MID-MORNING BREAK OF 15 MINUTES AND A ONE HOUR LUNCH BREAK. DURING THIS TIME, THEY HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO PLAY OUTSIDE (WEATHER PERMITTING) ON THE PLAYGROUND OR THE SCHOOL FIELD. THEY EAT LUNCH IN THE DINNER HALL WITH CHILDREN IN THE SAME YEAR GROUPS GOING IN TOGETHER.

YOUR CHILD CAN CHOOSE TO BRING A PACKED LUNCH OR ORDER A SCHOOL MEAL EACH DAY. ALL MEALS ARE COOKED ON SITE. ALL CHILDREN IN RECEPTION AND KS1 ARE ENTITLED TO FREE SCHOOL MEALS. DURING THE AFTERNOONS, THE CHILDREN ARE USUALLY TAUGHT FOUNDATION OR TOPIC BASED SUBJECTS. THIS COULD BE SPECIALIST TEACHING FOR MUSIC OR PE, HISTORY, GEOGRAPHY OR SCIENCE. SCHOOL FINISHES AT 3:15PM.

ALL CHILDREN ATTENDING PARK STREET PRIMARY SCHOOL AND NURSERY ARE REQUIRED TO WEAR THE CORRECT SCHOOL UNIFORM. ITEMS WITH LOGOS CAN BE PURCHASED AT STEVENSONS SCHOOL UNIFORM SHOP IN VICTORIA STREET, ST ALBANS OR ONLINE AT

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# WORKING TOGETHER

PARK STREET IS A WELCOMING AND INCLUSIVE COMMUNITY, WHERE FAMILIES GET TO KNOW EACH OTHER AND CHILDREN WORK AND PLAY TOGETHER THROUGHOUT THEIR YEARS AT SCHOOL AND BEYOND. THE SCHOOL ENCOURAGES OPEN COMMUNICATION BETWEEN HOME AND SCHOOL AND WE WELCOME FEEDBACK FROM PARENTS AND CARERS.

PARK STREET HAS A FANTASTIC HOME SCHOOL ASSOCIATION (PSSA), WHO ORGANISE MANY FUN EVENTS FOR ALL OF THE CHILDREN AND FAMILIES IN THE SCHOOL, AS WELL AS RAISING VALUABLE FUNDS FOR THE SCHOOL WHICH ENABLE US TO ENRICH THE CURRICULUM AND PROVIDE ADDITIONAL RESOURCES FOR TEACHING.

ON-SITE BREAKFAST AND AFTER SCHOOL CLUB CHILDCARE IS AVAILABLE FOR PARK STREET PUPILS, SUPPORTING PARENTS IN BALANCING THEIR WORK COMMITMENTS, AND PROVIDING A REASSURING TRANSITION BETWEEN SCHOOL AND HOME LIFE FOR CHILDREN.

## GOVERNORS

WE ARE VERY FORTUNATE HERE AT PARK STREET, TO HAVE SUCH AN ACCOMPLISHED AND SUPPORTIVE GOVERNING BODY. THE GOVERNING BODY'S MAIN ROLE IS TO ESTABLISH A STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK FOR THE SCHOOL AND TO REGULARLY REVIEW THE PROGRESS MADE.



# SAFEGUARDING

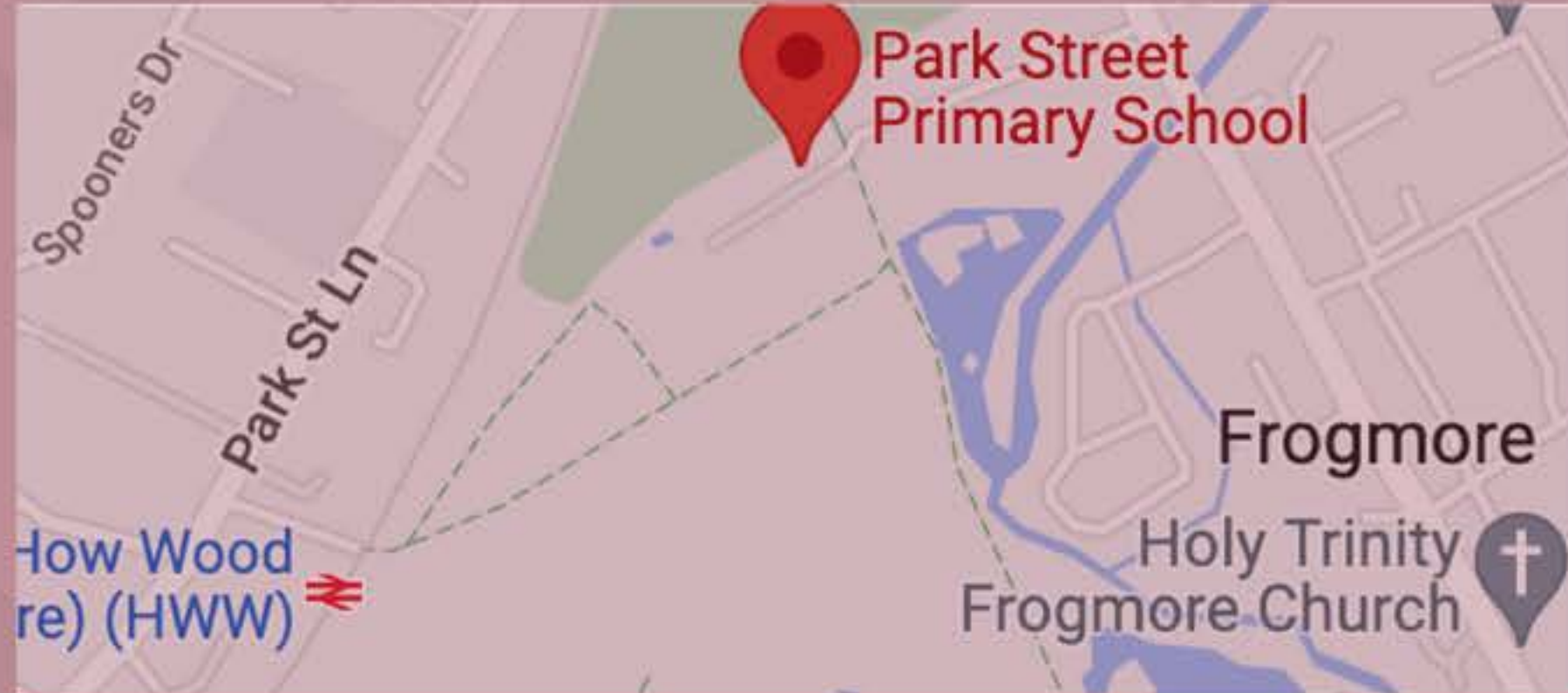
PARK STREET C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL IS COMMITTED TO THE SAFEGUARDING OF CHILDREN, YOUNG PEOPLE, THEIR FAMILIES AND STAFF. WE OPERATE A VIGOROUS RECRUITING PROCEDURE TO ENSURE THAT RISKS ARE MINIMISED. ALL STAFF, GOVERNORS, VOLUNTEERS AND VISITORS WHO COME INTO REGULAR CONTACT WITH THE CHILDREN HAVE ALL THE RELEVANT SAFEGUARDING CHECKS. OUR STAFF HAVE REGULAR SAFEGUARDING TRAINING AND UPDATES.

## ONLINE SAFETY

AT PARK STREET SCHOOL, WE RECOGNISE THE BENEFITS AND OPPORTUNITIES WHICH NEW TECHNOLOGIES OFFER TO TEACHING AND LEARNING. WE ENCOURAGE THE USE OF TECHNOLOGY IN ORDER TO ENHANCE SKILLS AND PROMOTE ACHIEVEMENT. HOWEVER, THE ACCESSIBLE AND GLOBAL NATURE OF THE INTERNET AND VARIETY OF TECHNOLOGIES AVAILABLE MEAN THAT WE ARE ALSO AWARE OF POTENTIAL RISKS AND CHALLENGES ASSOCIATED WITH SUCH USE.

## SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT ALL CHILDREN GET TO SCHOOL ON TIME AS LESSONS BEGIN PROMPTLY. WE HAVE A 'SOFT START' APPROACH TO THE BEGINNING OF THE DAY AND CHILDREN ARE ABLE TO COME IN AND GET SETTLED IN THEIR CLASSROOM. LIKewise, IT IS IMPORTANT THAT YOUR CHILD IS COLLECTED PROMPTLY AT THE END OF EACH DAY AND THAT YOU CONTACT THE SCHOOL IF ARRANGEMENTS CHANGE. IT IS THE PARENTS' RESPONSIBILITY TO ENSURE THAT THEIR CHILD ATTENDS SCHOOL EVERY DAY, UNLESS HE OR SHE IS UNWELL. IF YOUR CHILD IS UNWELL PLEASE CONTACT THE SCHOOL ON THE FIRST DAY OF ABSENCE. THE SCHOOL MONITORS EACH CHILD'S PATTERN OF ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY.



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