



Prospectus 2021/22



**Welcome
to our school**



**INSPIRING INDIVIDUALITY,
EXCELLENCE & ADVENTURES**

As Co-Head teachers of Newtown Linford Primary, we are delighted to welcome you to our wonderful school. We have a strong focus on pupils as individuals achieving their absolute best. We work hard to 'inspire individuality, excellence and adventures'. Our pupils enjoy the many inspirational opportunities on offer in our caring, family environment, with a strong community focus.

Our extremely committed team, in partnership with our parents and effective governing body, work in unity to maximise the outcomes and experiences for our children.

Our pupils are exceptionally well-behaved, kind, helpful and supportive of each other; they are proud to be part of our school family.

Our text-based curriculum approach is designed to allow us to teach the breadth of the National Curriculum, alongside enrichment experiences, building on our pupils' cultural capital. Our curriculum is designed to be challenging and aspirational, to ensure that pupils fulfill their potential and are enthused by learning at Newtown Linford.

It is a privilege to be the Co – Headteachers of such a vibrant, successful, and friendly school. We recognise that we will be judged by how happy and successful your child is and rightly so. We will strive each day to ensure your child has an excellent experience here.

Ms Vicky Brooks & Mrs Kirsten Kennedy

Our Vision

At Newtown Linford Primary School, we offer all children high quality and bespoke learning experiences to ensure all pupils are well-equipped for their next stages of education and for their futures. Our creative and challenging curriculum has been organised through a 'topic-based' approach, which incorporates the key knowledge, skills and vocabulary as set out in the National Curriculum. We set high expectations of learners to enable them to build independence.

Phonics and Reading

At the heart of learning to read is decoding therefore high-quality phonics and Early Reading provision is crucial to producing successful readers. At Newtown Linford phonics learning is delivered following Letters and Sounds and Jolly Phonics. Daily phonics teaching takes the form of teacher modelling, songs, stories, rhymes and multi-sensory learning. Children are taught the sounds in class and individual reading books are mapped onto current learning to give the child the opportunity to practise recognising and decoding new sounds.



***“Unity is strength, when there is teamwork and collaboration, wonderful things can be achieved.”
Mattie Stepanek***



*"Creativity is a wild mind and a disciplined eye."
Dorothy Parker*

Early Years/Linford Class

We pride ourselves in ensuring that our children have the very best start to their educational journey with us. Our highly skilled Early Years team provide varied and exciting opportunities for our children. Our Foundation Stage play-based curriculum promotes a love of learning, independence, resilience and fun.



In Linford Class we recognise how key the early years of school are and believe it is a privilege to have an input in these important developmental years. We work hard to provide an enriching and engaging environment in which children learn through a combination of adult and child led activities. As we understand the important role parents play, we work in close collaboration with you to ensure your child is happy and successful throughout their time in early years.

“Where my reason, imagination or interest were not engaged, I would not or could not learn.”

Sir Winston Churchill



Our School Day

Our school day begins for all children at 8:40am and we encourage families to take their children to their classes. Most of our Key Stage 2 children go to class independently and start their morning when the gates open at 8:40am.

Our playtimes are at 10:10am for KS1 and 10:30am for KS2. We use our playground and AstroTurf area for different year groups to play in together.

Lunch:

Linford, Bradgate, Tyburn & Old John Class 12pm-1pm

Our school day ends at 3:15pm for all children.

Wrap Around Care

Wrap around care is available at Newtown Linford, daily, to support our families. This is provided through Football and Fitness and should be organised directly through Mr Paul Barley- 07904155898



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Community

We hold celebration assemblies weekly and school events regularly. Sharing our superb work without parents and stakeholders is extremely important to us. We are proud to have a fantastic PTA, who arrange incredible events for our families and children throughout the academic year. Some of their annual highlights include:

- Scarecrow Festival
- Christmas and Summer Fetes
- School discos
- Ice cream afternoons
- Raffles

Our amazing PTA raise thousands of pounds each year, which goes directly back to our children. If you are interested in getting involved, please contact the school.

Celebrating Success!

Our behaviour system at Newtown Linford Primary is very simple. We expect children to behave well at school, respect each other and all adults and give their all to their learning.

We remind pupils of the rules regularly and if rules are broken, we support our children to reflect on how they may act differently in the same situation again.



We reward positive behaviour through our Dojo Points System. Pupils feel a great sense of achievement when they are awarded with Dojo Points for their hard work. These accumulate towards individual bronze, silver and gold stars which children wear on their uniforms.





Whole school rewards- House system

Each pupil in the school will be allocated to a house colours from our school logo

Blue- River Lin

Red- Lady Jane

Green- Fallows Deer

Yellow- Oaks



Each house will have a Year 6 house captain

Using our Dojo system for rewarding behaviour that match our school values, we collect the total number of Dojo's achieved by each house on a weekly basis. At the end of each term, the house with the most Dojo's will be presented with the school house trophy and earn a non-uniform day on the Friday of that week

Partnership with parents

At Newtown Linford Primary School we believe in a strong and positive partnership between pupils, parents and school. You will find all our staff helpful, friendly and welcoming. We pride ourselves on our supportive approach, we will do whatever we can to provide holistic support for your family if you need it. Our 'Family Wellbeing Portal' on our website provides a wide range of links to areas we think will be useful guides on common issues and concerns.

Communication

We believe that good communication is vital for our children to succeed. We use Arbor, an online tool for all school messages, as well as online payments for trips, clubs and dinner money. Teachers will always make time to speak with parents, always just get in touch via the school office. We also use our twitter page @primary_newtown and Facebook, Newtown Linford Primary School to update parents on daily events, trips and general communication.

We send fortnightly bulletins and half termly newsletters via Arbor. We also update our webpage regularly. You can find lots of information for parents at: <https://www.newtown.bepschools.org>





Pupil Progress and Support at home

Communicating pupils' educational journey is extremely important to us at Newtown Linford Primary School. We hold two formal parents' evenings per year; one in the Autumn term and one in the Spring. We also communicate with parents for any additional important information.

As a school, we expect parents to support their child with homework on their journey through school, with a particular focus on reading, at least three times per week. In addition to this, we set age-appropriate home school learning on a weekly basis.

School Uniform

Our School uniform is compulsory and consists of a jumper or cardigan with our school logo, a white stiff collared shirt and school tie. Pupils may wear grey trousers, shorts, skirts or dresses. In the summer, girls may wear a navy blue gingham dress. Shoes must be black, navy or brown and smart- no trainers.

Our PE uniform consist of a navy top with logo, black shorts, leggings (with logo) or jogging bottoms and plimsolls. For outdoor PE, pupils should wear a warm school tracksuit in the winter and trainers.

Jumpers, cardigans, ties and PE kits are only available from the school.

Bradgate Educational Partnership

At Newtown Linford Primary School we are proud to be part of The Bradgate Education Partnership.

BEP is a Multi Academy Trust and Newtown Linford primary school has been part of this since 2016.

BEP is a fully supportive trust that are committed to developing the local schools.

Through collaboration and supportive challenge, BEP successfully supports and develops our school in a truly unique way.

<https://bepschools.org>



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