

Broadbottom CE (VC) Primary School



“Let your light shine.” Matthew 5:16

Prospectus

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**Headteacher
Mrs Joanne Marrow**



Welcome to Broadbottom CE (VC) Primary School



Dear Parents/Carers, Children and Friends,

I am delighted you are considering Broadbottom CE (VC) Primary School for your child's education.

As the Headteacher of this wonderful school I extend a very warm welcome on behalf of all the staff and Governors. We are very proud to be a small, friendly village school with strong parental engagement, a member of St Michael and All Angels Parish and also Chester Diocese.

At Broadbottom Primary School we encourage all our pupils to "let your light shine" by developing individual interests and talents. We believe that, apart from home, school is the most important influence in a child's life. At our school, children experience a safe, calm and inclusive environment with key values of tolerance and respect for others.

The school community is lively and happy with well behaved, hardworking pupils, who thrive in the wonderful atmosphere created by our staff. We welcome visits to the school to witness this for yourselves and meet our pupils who speak passionately about the opportunities they receive as members of the school.

These are the things that make Broadbottom a special place to be.
I do hope you will come and see for yourself.

Broadbottom CE (VC) Primary School.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in purple ink that reads 'J M Marrow'.

Mrs Joanne Marrow
Headteacher

Our Mission

At Broadbottom CE (VC) Primary School we are extremely proud of our Christian Community School. We welcome everyone, embrace individuality and nurture and empower our pupils. We do this through an engaging curriculum that promotes faith, understanding and skills and is underpinned by Christian and British Values.

We...

- ✓ Love God, the world, each other and ourselves.
- ✓ Cherish our pupils and act as their champions.
- ✓ Provide safe yet challenging opportunities to learn, blossom and grow.
- ✓ Surround ourselves with fun, laughter, positivity and happiness, creating a place where memories are made.
- ✓ Trust each other to act with integrity and to forgive when we make mistakes.
- ✓ Love Learning and Love Life.
- ✓ Are creative in our thinking, outlook and approach
- ✓ Communicate effectively
- ✓ Have time and patience to develop minds
- ✓ Discover individual sparks to let everyone's light shine.
- ✓ Nurture a love of learning and a belief in oneself.

School Vision

Broadbottom CE (VC) Primary School promises to provide a happy, safe, Christian environment for all pupils to flourish and develop talents, interests, excellent learning attitudes and behaviours. Our intention is for the learning journey to maximise full academic, social, emotional and physical potentials. We aim to develop life skills, tolerance and resilience, in a school environment that cherishes individuality and positively encourages pupils to shine.

“Let your light shine,” Matthew 5:16

With Christianity at the heart of our intentions, we aim to:

- Strengthen the spirituality of staff and pupils, whilst creating a culture of high expectations, that is mindful of health and wellbeing
- Provide high quality teaching and learning, that develops individual potential and enriches pupil's lives
- Engage in partnerships that support and serve the school community
- Continue to review and challenge the curriculum for our pupils, to ensure it is relevant for their future workforce needs
- Continually improve performance through evaluation of practice
- Equip children and families with the knowledge, skills, independence and resilience to face future challenges
- Instil traditional values of hard work, courtesy, respect and good behaviour
- Nurture an understanding of how special and unique we are in the eyes of God
- Broaden our knowledge and understanding of world issues and develop courageous advocates who will help others shine
- Link our heritage with overseas charities to support others, as our local community has been supported in the past

What the community say.....

“Of all our schools, your pupils stand out for their politeness, behaviour and caring attitude towards each other”. *ActiveTameside Sports Coach*

“The teacher has instilled a confidence in our child, helping her believes in herself” *Parent*

“My child loves talking about school, when I was at school I didn’t tell my parents anything”. *Parent*

“I love my teacher because my teacher loves me”. *Pupil*

“My child is happy, in my mind happiness counts for everything”. *Parent*

“A school where a square peg would not be forced into a round hole”.
Parent Governor

“Our children inspire us to inspire them”. *Teacher*

Our School Ethos

We provide a caring Christian ethos that supports all pupils in reaching their full potential.

We have won many awards including Healthy Schools, Arts Council, Active Mark, Eco School and Investors in People; these encompass our work on lifestyle.

We aim to “Love Learning and Love Life” throughout the school and beyond by encouraging the children to be responsible for themselves, each other and the world they live in.

Our children have a confident voice. We take pride in the many compliments we receive at Broadbottom, about our well-behaved children, positive staff and excellent ethos.

We have a positive approach to learning and behaviour and use positive reinforcements to reward pupil’s confidence. Monthly Parent Pride assemblies are enjoyed by pupils, parents and the community to celebrate the pupil’s achievements.



Curriculum

At Broadbottom we always aim for high standards of work and behaviour. Pupil achievement is a main priority and crucial to the success of all our pupils and our school. We aim to fulfil our mission statement “Love Learning, Love Life” by providing a range of academic, creative, cultural, and sporting activities that are carefully planned and delivered in a calm, supportive and stimulating environment. We also provide a range of extra-curricular activities to ensure your child reaches their full potential.

1.The Foundation Stage

The Foundation Stage is taught through seven areas of learning. These are:

- Personal, Social and Emotional Development.
- Literacy Development.
- Mathematics.
- Understanding of the World.
- Physical Development.
- Expressive Arts and Design.

All areas are taught through a mixture of formal teaching and play activities building a firm “foundation” for future learning.

2.The National Curriculum

English

English is taught daily through individual and guided reading, grammar, writing, spelling and handwriting sessions.

Reading is and will always remain our number one priority.

Mathematics

We follow the White Rose Hub planning at Broadbottom. This allows children to develop skills in fluency, reasoning and problem solving. This is carried out through a concrete, practical and then abstract approach. We want children to consider why, how and when mathematics is useful in everyday life.

Religious Education

Religious Education is planned to embrace the school’s Christian ethos. Through Religious Education lessons and daily whole school worship we aim to develop individual’s personal beliefs, as well as developing an understanding about the beliefs of others.

Religions that are studied include: Christianity, Judaism, Hinduism, Humanism, Sikhism Buddhism and Islam.

Collective Worship

Children take part in a daily act of worship and separate lessons of Religious Education are taught. We believe that it is important to show that Christianity is a part of everyday life and therefore it is incorporated into many other areas of the curriculum.

Major world faiths are taught in accordance with the Local Education Authority. The vicar regularly conducts Collective Worship alongside a team who present assemblies called ‘Open The Book’.

Modern Foreign Languages

German is taught for half an hour a week in Key Stage 2 classes by Miss Hawkins. Verbal and written German is taught as well as an overview of the country and culture.

Physical Education

Physical Education holds a high priority in the school with the children receiving at least two hours of lessons in a week. PE is taught in our hall, on the playground and sports pitch. A wide variety of gymnastics, games, sports, swimming and dance are delivered by school staff and trained sports coaches.

Science

Science is taught using a wide range of teaching strategies to suit your child's needs. Reasoning, investigation and practical application are taught in an endeavour to develop not only scientific understanding, but also everyday life skills.

Personal Social and Health Education

PSHE is an important part of every school day. Giving the children a time to talk and a "voice" within our school community is essential to its success. Pupils are encouraged to share ideas through circle time, school council, playground buddies, eco committee and school prefects.

Humanities

History and Geography are taught in a rolling blocked program to give the children a knowledge of today's world and reflect upon its past.

Music

Music, including singing and instrumental tuition is taught to all children by an external specialist teacher within the classroom environment. Pupils in Key Stage 2 have the opportunity to learn to play a brass or woodwind instrument.

Key Stage 1 pupils learn percussion and singing.

Art and Design

Art and Design is taught to give the opportunity for children to explore their own creativity and that of other artists. Design Technology lessons allow the pupils the opportunity to plan, prepare, make and evaluate projects either individually or within a team.

Information Communication Technology (ICT)

ICT is taught as a dedicated subject as well as the pupils being given the opportunity to practice their skills in other subjects. All classrooms have interactive Smart whiteboards and access to fifteen laptops, iPads and iPods.

E Safety

We take internet safety very seriously. Children are taught how to use technology safely. A parent agreement is required on a pupil's entry to school.

Sex Education

Parents are informed through a letter and/or meeting when any sensitive lessons are planned. Although we encourage full participation in lessons, it remains the right of the parents to withdraw their child from all or part of sex education.

3.Extra-Curricular Activities Clubs

We offer a range of clubs for Year 1 upwards at different times in the school year. These clubs take place from 3:15 – 4:00pm. You will be notified of clubs on offer and when they take place. A small fee is required.

Trips, Visitors and walks

Hands on experience, is essential to any child. We offer a range of planned trips and welcome visitors throughout the year, as well as “welly walks” for our younger children to enjoy and appreciate the great outdoors.

4. Inclusion

Through our school ethos we promote:

- 🌍 Sensitivity towards the needs of others
- 🌍 Tolerance and understanding
- 🌍 Compromise and co-operation

There will be times when your child may need some additional support to achieve their full potential.

We aim to know your child and identify their needs as early as possible, working alongside you and other agencies where necessary.

We work extremely hard to achieve an inclusive education for all at Broadbottom Primary. Please let us know if you have any concerns at all about your child’s progress.

5.Homework

Rational

At Broadbottom Church of England Primary School, we believe that homework will help children to develop stamina, better understanding and independent research skills.

Aims

1. To encourage children to participate in some study, beyond the school day.
2. To encourage children to practice skills to enhance their schoolwork.
3. To encourage children to become independent learners, by increasing the challenge, in preparation for their next year group.

We aim to deliver the homework policy via Google Classroom to offer a blended learning platform between school and home. All homework will be uploaded to Google Classroom on Mondays and marked by Friday.

Homework Timetable

Year group	Homework	Maximum time	Total each week
R	Reading – reading books each night Tricky words practice Phonics Maths Passport practice	5 minutes per night 5 minutes 5 minutes 5 minutes	40 minutes
1	Reading – reading books each night Tricky words practice/Phonics Maths Passport practice English or maths (1 piece per week)	5 minutes per night 10 minutes 10 minutes 10 minutes	55 minutes
2	Reading – reading books each night Spelling/Tricky words practice Maths Passport practice English or Maths (1 piece per week)	5 minutes per night 5 minutes per night 10 minutes 10 minutes	1 hour 10 minutes
3	Reading – reading books each night Spelling/Tricky words practice Maths Passport practice English or Maths (1 piece per week)	5 minutes per night 5 minutes per night 10 minutes 15 minutes	1 hour 15 minutes
4	Reading – reading books each night Spelling/Tricky words practice Maths Passport practice English and Maths	5 minutes per night 5 minutes per night 5 minutes per night 15 minutes	1 hour 30 minutes
5	Reading – reading books each night Spelling/Tricky words practice Maths Passport practice English and Maths	5 minutes per night 5 minutes per night 5 minutes per night 15 minutes	1 hour 30 minutes
6	Reading – reading books each night Spelling/Tricky words practice Maths Passport practice English and Maths	5 minutes per night 5 minutes per night 5 minutes per night 20 minutes	1 hour 35 minutes

About our School

Broadbottom is situated in a beautiful countryside setting, surrounded by rolling hills, fields and woodlands.

The rich biodiversity of the extensive grounds serves as an excellent resource for pupils, scientists and the local community. As well as our playground, we also have a sports field and “mugger” pitch.

The main building was built in 1898 but refurbished in 2011. We are proud to have served the Broadbottom community for many years and look forward to strengthening those links over the years to come.









Our School Uniform

We are very proud of the school uniform and badge, which was designed by one of our pupils. School uniform is an important part of our school identity and we insist that all children wear it. The school colour is burgundy. All pupils are given their own burgundy book bag free of charge when joining the school in Reception class.




School Uniform can be purchased from Kids Stop – 42 Market Street, Hyde.

Telephone: 0161 368 4500/ <https://www.kids-stop.co.uk/>

School uniform includes:

-  Burgundy sweatshirt or cardigan
-  Black Shoes (no trainers)
-  White polo shirt
-  Grey trousers, shorts, skirt or pinafore
-  Black shorts, white t-shirt and plimsolls for gymnastics and dance
-  Track suit and trainers for outdoor sports.

Other items are available, but not compulsory.

-  Yellow gingham dress (summer)
-  Burgundy waterproof jacket
-  Burgundy Fleece

***Please note all clothes, including shoes MUST be clearly marked with your child's name. School staff may initial clothing that has no name.**

Other Helpful Hints

No valuables or toys should be brought into school.

Swimming kit (costumes/trunks and towel) when appropriate.

Jewellery can be very dangerous within the school environment, please ensure your child wears no jewellery for school. A watch is acceptable but will need removing before PE and swimming. Earrings should be studs, not sleepers.

All money should be in a clearly marked envelope, with your child's name, class and purpose of the money. Please hand this into the office or pass to a member of staff where possible.

Health

During the year we have "check-up visits" from the school nurse, optometrist and dentist. Parents will always be informed before any such visits.

Admissions

Children are admitted into Reception Class following the Tameside Admission Policy. Children are admitted in the September of the year in when they are five.

You must apply for a place on-line on the Tameside Borough Council's website:

<http://www.tameside.gov.uk/admissions>

It is important to note that the Local Education Authority make the final decision regarding school allocations, however parents do have the right to appeal.

We offer mixed age classes; this is subject to change according to the size of each cohort.

Attendance

The value of good attendance cannot be under-estimated.

Appointments where possible, should be taken after school hours.

However, if your child has an unavoidable medical appointment during school time you MUST inform the school office before this date, with the evidence of the appointment i.e. hospital letter, Dr text, etc. If you are collecting your child for medical appointments, please report to the school office to sign your child out. In the interest of child safety, no child will be allowed to leave school in school time without an accompanying known adult.

We do not allow holidays or absence during term time unless it is an exceptional circumstance. Please refer to the Tameside letter concerning holidays in term time. The school's Attendance Policy is on our website, which is in accordance with DFE guidelines.

We monitor absence, and notify parents when triggers are met. We also work closely with the Educational Welfare Officer; parents will be contacted where there are concerns.

Absences and Lates

If your child is to be absent from school, please telephone the school office before 9.30am. If you do not telephone by this time you will receive a call enquiring as to where your child is. This is a safeguarding routine policy.

Any pupil arriving to school after 8.50am will be recorded as a late.

The school teaching day commences at 9am and children need to arrive for 8.50am.

Pupils who have an unexplained absence will receive a letter from school asking for a reason for this absence.

The School Day

School opens	8:50am
Registration	9:00am
Assembly	9:10am
Morning Break	10:30am
Lunchtime	12:00 – 1:00pm
Afternoon Break	2:00pm
School finishes	3:15pm













Parents

At Broadbottom we recognise that you are an essential partner in the education of your child. We are very proud of the support and involvement offered by parents in our school. We value your opinion and we will listen to you, after all you know your child best. We expect parents to offer their full support in maintaining our positive ethos.

Please ensure your child is prepared for the day, well presented in full school uniform and attends regularly.

Communication

We communicate to you, through various means:

-  Pupil Planner
-  Informal chats and catch up, you are welcome into school at any time.
-  Text messaging service
-  Monthly Newsletter (published on the school website)
-  The school website
-  Twitter
-  Class Dojo
-  Parent Pride assemblies
-  Parent evenings
-  Reading record
-  Google Classrooms
-  Parent workshops

Mobile Phones

At parent's request, pupils will be permitted to bring a mobile phone with them to school if they are walking home alone as a safety measure. Parents must fill in a data form at the school office before permission is granted agreeing to the data protection terms.

No smoking Zone

Smoking and the use of electronic devices are not allowed in the buildings or on school grounds.

Dog Control Order

Dog Control Exclusion Orders apply on the school site.

This means no dogs must be brought onto the school property or grounds at any time.

Medication

School can only give prescription medicines. These will be administered according to the advised dosage. All administration of medicine is recorded.

You must hand in the medicine at the school office and complete a consent form; children must not have responsibility for handling any medication.

Asthma

Should your child need asthma medication, you must supply 2 inhalers with each component marked with your child's name. One of these will be kept in the office; the other will be kept in class in a

medical bag at EYFS/KS1, or in your child's tray if he/she is in KS2. This means that medication is available as required.

First Aid

If your child has a medical problem a Health Care Plan will be drawn up in consultation with you and the School Nurse.

We have six qualified First Aiders on the staff and certification is renewed regularly. Should your child feel ill at school we will contact you. Anything requiring other than cold water, or a quick sit down will be referred to you.

School Dinners

School dinners are provided and cooked on site by DOLCE which are very popular; these are ordered and paid for on-line by parents. There is a varied choice of menu on a three week rota. Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are provided with a free school meal. Pupils with packed lunches sit in the dining hall alongside school meal children.

You will receive an email for you to register with Dolce for you to order your meals in advance. Fruit is provided throughout the day for Reception and Key Stage 1.

Applications for free school meals can be made to the Local Authority benefits section at Tameside Council or alternatively contact the school office to complete a form. Please see our website to see if you are eligible. This applies to all pupils including Key Stage 1 children.

Cool Milk

Our milk provider is Cool Milk who are able to offer milk to all children. For some children milk is free; school milk is free:

- for children under the age of five
- to children receiving or entitled to free school meals (not universal school meals KS1)
- and is subsidised for all other children in primary education by the government.

The price works out at around £14 per term for over-fives.

If you would like your child to have milk in school, please contact the school office for a form or download one from our website.

Alternatively, you can apply directly online at www.coolmilk.com

School Closures

We really try to avoid school closure, however, in the instance when school has to close:

1. We will try and inform you by text or in writing.
2. If this is not possible staff will stand at all entrances and inform parents of the reason and time of closure.
3. An announcement will be made on the radio throughout the morning:
Hits Radio/Tameside.
4. Website update.

Freedom of Information

- The Education (School Curriculum and Related Information) Regulations state that the following documents should be available in school.
- School and National Curriculum policies in all subjects
- The LEA's curriculum policy statement and subject documents.
- The LEA agreed RE syllabus.
- Statutory documents.
- The Complaints Procedure devised by the LEA and approved by the Governing Body.
- All syllabus and schemes of work used in school.

In addition, the full details of the school Charging Policy, Admissions Policy and OFSTED. Reports are also available on request. These are available to view on the school's website.

Child Protection

Our Child Protection Liaison Teacher is Mrs Joanne Marrow who is responsible for Child Protection. We are a small school and know our children well. Staff are trained in safeguarding children.

Parents should be aware that where it appears to a member of staff that a child may be suffering from any type of abuse, the school is required, as part of the Local Authority Child Protection procedure, to report concerns to Child Welfare Services.

Race Equality

Our Race Equality Policy follows the LA guidelines. Any racially motivated incidents will be reported every term to the Governing Body.

A record of racist incidents is required to be kept, and submitted to Tameside Local Authority, should they occur.

Complaints Procedure

In accordance with the Education Reform Act the school follows the Tameside procedures for the consideration of complaints about the school curriculum and related matters.

**GOVERNING BODY OF
BROADBOTTOM CE (VC) PRIMARY SCHOOL**

School Representatives

Mrs J M Marrow.....Headteacher

Mrs L Hawkins.....Assistant Headteacher

Co-opted Representative

Mrs K Sanderson.....Chair

Local Authority Representative

Mr M Carter

Parent Representatives

Mr A Coatsworth

Mrs K Boothroyd

Mrs A Warwood

Foundation Representatives

Rev. Cait Walker

Mrs P Moses

Mrs E Eaton

Associate Representative

Mr S Pleasant

Ms T Walker

*Any Governors can be contacted via school.

MEMBERS OF STAFF – September 2021

Teaching Staff

Mrs J Marrow - Headteacher

Miss L Hawkins - Assistant Headteacher

Mrs H Dawson

Mr L Jowett

Mr B McNea

Support Staff

Teaching Assistants

Mrs J Barber

Mrs L Dawson

Mrs A Wilkie

Office Staff

School Business Manager
Mrs D Heydon

Administration Assistant
Mrs W Capstick

Caretaker

Mr S Swindells

Cleaner

Mrs G Anderson

Midday Supervisors

Mrs M Kilroy

Mrs S Winson

