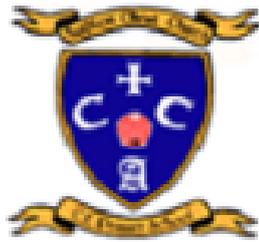


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C.E. Primary School

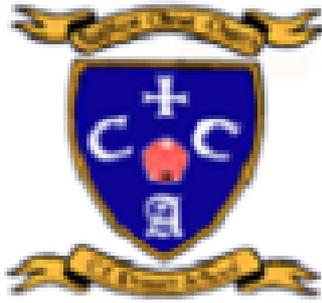


School Prospectus



**‘An Outstanding School in all areas’
Ofsted Report 2012.**





Aughton Christ Church C. E. (Controlled)

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Aughton Christ Church C.E. Primary School Website

www.aughtonchristchurch.lancs.sch.uk



Welcome

I would like to welcome you to Aughton Christ Church School Prospectus.

We believe the sense of wonder and discovery as a child begins their educational journey is a privilege to be part of. Our staff are committed to ensuring the best for every child and our school provides a vibrant and exciting curriculum for each individual to grow and reach their potential. The school website is updated regularly and introduces the many rich learning experiences the children undertake.

Our prospectus introduces you to our Caring Christian Community School.

We are a one form entry school with 210 children and in July 2012 received an Outstanding Ofsted Report. The report states:

‘Pupils are caring of each other and have an extremely positive attitude to learning. They provide support and encouragement for each other so that all feel safe and learn happily. Quality of teaching and learning was judged to be outstanding.’

We are all extremely proud of our very special school family and would encourage prospective parents to come and meet our wonderful staff and children.

David Kennedy - Headteacher

Our Mission Statement

To educate pupils intellectually, socially, morally, aesthetically, physically and spiritually within a school firmly based on Christian principles.

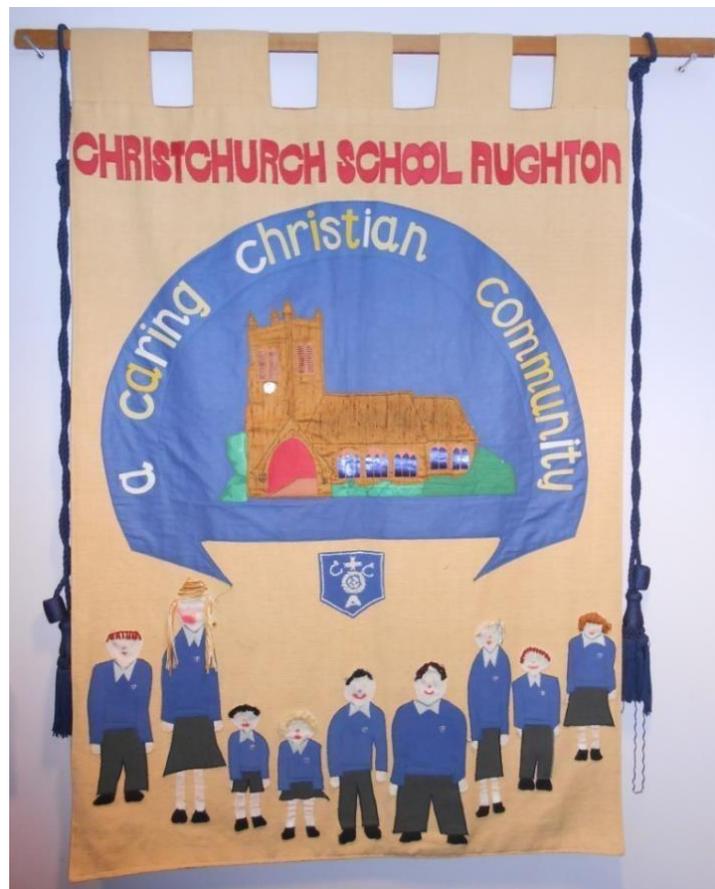
To enable pupils to develop their talents, establishing positive and realistic goals.

To promote Christian values within the school as exemplified by the life and teaching of Jesus Christ.

To encourage in pupils a sense of decency, respect for others, commitment, self-reliance, responsibility and a healthy self-esteem.

To help pupils to take their place in the community and to encourage an appreciation of the world in which they live.

To prepare pupils for the next stage of their education.



OUR SCHOOL DAY

Registration – 8.55 a.m.
Lesson – 9.05 a.m.
Assembly – 10.05 a.m.
Playtime – 10.20 a.m.
Lesson – 10.35 a.m.
Lesson – 11.35 a.m.
Lunch – 12.00 noon
Registration – 1.05 p.m.
Lesson – 1.05 p.m.
Infant Break – 2.15 p.m. Junior Break
– 2.20 p.m.
Lesson – 2.30 p.m.
End of day – 3.30 p.m.

SCHOOL MEALS

KS1 children are entitled to have free hot meals every day. School can provide a cooked lunch, or children may bring their own packed lunch. School meals are provided by an outside catering firm – ‘Yummy Catering’. Menus are available from the school office and school website.

Lunch money is collected each half term in advance. Each child is required to bring lunch money in a sealed envelope with their name, class and the amount contained in the envelope clearly written together with the completed menu.

For security reasons, cheques are preferred, made payable to “Lancashire County Council”. Information about provision of free school meals and other welfare benefits are available from the School Secretary on request or by telephone.

ABSENCES

Sickness absence – Parents should notify school by telephone or e-mail before 9.15 a.m. on the first morning of absence.

Parents thinking of taking holiday during term time should read the information on the website under ‘Parent Information – Holiday Forms’. A completed holiday application form should be returned to the Headteacher who will reply after the necessary request.

FIRST AID

It is the policy of Aughton Christ Church School to deal only with very minor bumps, cuts, grazes, nosebleeds etc. which may occur during the normal routine of a school day.

The teacher or member of staff on duty or present when an accident arises, requiring First Aid, will make an initial assessment of the nature and seriousness of the injury. If he/she feels unsure, the help and advice of a member of staff with a First Aid Certificate will be sought. Parents would be contacted immediately if a child was concussed or had a suspected broken limb or had any other suspected serious problem. MEDICINES

Children on medication should generally complete their course of treatment before returning to school. If however, this is not possible then only prescribed medicine may be given in school. The medicine should be brought to the school office and should be clearly labelled with the child's name, the dosage and the time when it is to be administered. The Headteacher will try to ensure the medicine is taken by the child at the appropriate time. There are forms available from the school office that must be complete before any medication will be administered. Also parents of children with allergies or who need to use inhalers in school must also complete the relevant form again available from the school office. Medication that needs to be taken by a child on a regular basis needs to be discussed with the Headteacher so that suitable arrangements can be made. No medication purchased from a pharmacy without a doctor's prescription can be administered in school. Parents must make their own arrangements to come into school to administer this to their child – this includes such medicine Calpol, Piriton, cough lozenges etc.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Aughton Christ Church School teaches Religious Education according to the Lancashire agreed syllabus, and parents reserve the right to withdraw their child if they so wish. Parents also have the right to withdraw their child from Collective Worship which reflects the Church of England ethos in line with Trust Deed and is mainly of a Christian nature.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

The school aims to teach a wide and varied selection of activities. Each year group has a detailed scheme of work which covers gymnastics, dance, games and athletics. In addition, children in Year 4 attend swimming lessons at Park Pool throughout the year.

The school has a multi-purpose hall and a large paying field and two playgrounds. The field and playground are marked out for a variety of team games. At various times of the year the children receive coaching from outside professionals, usually in football, cricket, tennis and tag rugby. Aughton Christ Church School is a member of the Ormskirk & District Primary School Sports Association and takes part in all the activities organised e.g. football, athletics, chess, cricket, tag rugby. Aughton Christ Church School is also part of the Sports Partnership and receives coaching from and takes part in competitions and activities arranged by them.

SEX EDUCATION

Sex education is included in the curriculum, with parents having the right to withdraw their child, if they wish, by notifying the Headteacher in writing in advance. The school aims to give each child an appropriate education in sexual matters within a clear Christian framework. The scheme of work is on the website.

SPECIAL EDUCATION NEEDS

Children, who have specific educational needs, either because they have learning difficulties or because they are exceptionally bright, are assessed initially, by the class teacher who then refers to the Headteacher/Special Educational Coordinator. The Headteacher may ask for support from the relevant support services for further assessment. If the problem continues then a child will be referred to the Educational Psychologist for professional assessment with the understanding that an Education and Healthcare Plan may be the outcome. The school follows Government procedures as outlined in the Code of Practice, a copy of which can be obtained from the school office.

HOMEWORK

We believe that a partnership between parents and school is essential in order to achieve sound educational objectives. Further detailed information regarding homework for each class can be found on the class pages of the school website.

PARENT HELPERS ASSOCIATION

We have a very active Parent Helpers Association which organises a variety of social fund raising events. The PHA over the years provided much needed resources to enhance the education of the children at Christ Church School.

We welcome the involvement of parents participating in the education of the children by working alongside our teachers in the classroom. A handbook for parent helpers in school will be given to every helper prior to the first visit.



EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Christ Church School uses the wider environment to enhance its curriculum. Children are taken on a variety of visits linked to the work they have been doing in class e.g.

Ribchester – Romans
Speke Hall – Tudors
Blackpool Zoo – Animals
Liverpool Museum
Quarrybank Mill - Victorians
Local Walks – Geography
Theatre – Arts
Arts Week
Links with Chapel Gallery

In addition, children in Year 6 are able to take part in a week's residential visit to develop their skills in outdoor education and team building. Various outside companies visit school for drama, dance and environmental work.

Christ Church offers a wide variety of extra-curricular activities.

Sporting activities include football, netball, cricket, rounders, athletics, tag rugby.

School takes part in activities organised by the District Sports Committee.

Music is offered to children interested in learning the following instruments:

Keyboard, guitar, violin, cello and ukuleles. We also have a choir.

Chess is also encouraged throughout the school.

We have a thriving Drama club which leads to a school production each year.

Spanish is taught across all classes across both key stages and there is also a French Club.



Curriculum

National Curriculum Assessment

Children are tested according to Government Regulations at ages 7 and 11. These results are reported to parents at the end of the school year. Ongoing records are kept about each child and form the basis of a written report that all children receive at the end of the Summer Term. Annual Performance Tables as published by the Government are to be found on the website.

BASELINE ASSESSMENT

All children on admission to Reception class will be assessed. This will usually take place within the first few weeks of the Autumn Term and parents will be informed of these results as soon as possible.

All reception children are also assessed according to EYFS at the beginning and end of Reception Year.

CURRICULUM

Parents who wish to see the documents relating to the National Curriculum or the L.E.A. Policy Guidelines may do so by arrangement with the school office. The full range of National Curriculum subjects are taught throughout the school. Children are taught by a class teacher in single age classes as designated at the start. Each class's curriculum can be viewed on our website.

Key policy documents are available on the school website.

Taught Hours

Key Stage 1 - 22.55 Teaching hours - 27.30 Full hours Key

Stage 2 - 23.20 Teaching hours - 27.30 Full hours

POLICY ON CARE AND CONTROL OF PUPILS

If staff become aware of, or have a need to become involved in, situations where a child may be at risk of hurting themselves or others, or if the behaviour of a child seriously disrupts good order in the school or causes damage to property, staff may need to take steps to intervene physically. In such circumstances staff will follow the school's policy for dealing with such situations. Any parent wishing to view this policy may do so on the website.

COUNTY CHILD PROTECTION POLICY D.F.E.E. CIRCULAR 10.95

“Because of the day-to-day contact with children, schools are particularly well placed to observe outward signs of abuse, changes in behaviour or failure to develop. Parents should be aware, therefore, that where it appears to a member of school staff that a child may have been abused, the school is required, as part of the local Child Protection Procedures, to report their concern to the Social Services Department immediately”.

ROAD SAFETY POLICY

Statistical evidence has consistently and clearly shown the vulnerability of the young and inexperienced road user. Road Safety education is a learning process that involves developing a range of skills and knowledge that will enable children to become aware of and competent in the traffic environment.

Christ Church School will actively support the development of positive attitudes towards road usage. This will be achieved through the integration of appropriate road safety schemes and topics into the curriculum. In addition, efforts will be made in partnership with parents in order to further encourage safe practices on or near the road through the provision of relevant publicity materials and information.

For health and safety reasons it is important that all parents and carers do not drive into the playground to drop off and pick up children during the school day.

CHARGING POLICY

Since the 1989 Education Act, when an activity takes place during school hours, school cannot charge pupils for that activity. However, a school has the right to invite voluntary contributions for the benefit of the school in support of any activity organised by the school. Contributions are used to cover the entrance to venues, transport and insurance if necessary. In addition, families entitled to pupil premium and free school meals (not including universal free school meals in KS1) may have their costs subsidised if required. Unless considerable contributions are received it would not be possible to continue to take children on educational visits or to provide music tuition.

Aughton Christ Church School has a no smoking policy across the whole school site.



SCHOOL UNIFORM

Winter Uniform

Light blue shirt
School sweatshirt
School tie
Grey skirt/trousers

White or Grey socks
Black shoes
Blue School coat

Summer Uniform

Blue and white checked cotton dress.
Children may wear a light blue open necked polo shirt.

P.E.

Blue shorts
School P.E. top
Black pumps
Trainers for outdoors.

All uniform can be purchased from Premier Wear, Ormskirk.

**Form of application for admission to
AUGHTON CHRIST CHURCH C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL**

Parents will be required to complete an official Lancashire County Council online admission form between September and January in the year prior to their admission.

Surname: _____ Legal Surname: _____

Forename: _____ Middle Name: _____

Chosen name: _____ Gender: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Year Group: _____

Home Address: _____

Post Code: _____

Home Telephone: _____ Mobile/s: _____

E-mail address: _____

Full Name of Mother: _____

Full Name of Father: _____

Occupations Mother: _____ Father: _____

Name and Address of Previous School _____

Telephone number: _____

Please give details of all persons who have parental responsibility and anyone else you wish to be contacted in an emergency. Place them in the order that you wish them to be contacted in an emergency.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

Travel Arrangements

Please tick the appropriate box: Car Bicycle Train Walk Car Share Public bus service other Taxi

Meal Arrangements

Please tick the appropriate box: Free school meal School meal Sandwiches other

Please indicate any special dietary requirements:

Name of G.P. _____

Name of Practice _____

Address: _____

_____ Telephone

No: _____

Medical Condition(s) _____

Ethnicity: e.g. White-British _____

Home Language: _____ Religion: _____

Data Protection Act 1998: The school is registered under the Data Protection Act for holding personal data. The school has a duty to protect this information and to keep it up to date. The school is required to share some of the data with the Local Authority and with the DfES.

Signature: _____ Today's Date: _____

Parent/Guardian