



# WELCOME TO TADDINGTON



## We care about each other

Officially 'Good' with  
'Outstanding' Personal  
Development.







Welcome to Taddington & Priestcliffe C of E Primary School

**A high-achieving, nurturing church school for pupils aged 4-11. Do come along, meet the team and discover for yourself why Taddington school is so special.**

Consider our academic success, combined with “exceptional personal development” (Ofsted 2024), with a wide range of extra-curricular experiences, and you can understand why our pupils, staff and community are proud to be part of Taddington.

At Taddington, we believe every child is unique and full of potential. Our dedicated staff are committed to providing a nurturing environment where students can explore, discover, and thrive. We believe in broadening horizons, offering our students a vast array of enriching experiences and educational trips that expand their understanding of the world.

We strive to cultivate an inclusive environment where every child feels valued and inspired to reach their full potential. Our holistic approach ensures that our students not only excel academically but also develop essential life skills, empowering them to become confident, compassionate, and engaged citizens.

Pupil ambassador teams provide leadership opportunities that promote a deep sense of personal ambition for our pupils.

Please do come and see our beautiful grounds and meet our passionate team. Everyone is welcome at Taddington.

*Elaine Chapman*

HEAD OF SCHOOL





Life at

# TADDINGTON





### SUCCESS FOR ALL

Our outstanding teaching staff are passionate about developing the knowledge and skills of the next generation. We work hard to ensure success for all; this is realised by personalising the curriculum so that everyone gets the most out of their time at Taddington. Wherever your talent lies, our aim is to nurture and develop it.



### BRINGING LEARNING TO LIFE

From science fairs to art exhibitions, we encourage creativity and critical thinking through hands-on projects and extracurricular activities. We offer our pupils a vast array of out of school opportunities to explore and learn. They benefit from many enrichment activities including theatre trips, visiting authors and sporting events.



### A CHANCE TO SHINE

Oracy, speaking & listening and performing are important to our pupils because they build confidence, develop creativity and encourage teamwork. Our school productions and dance performances are of an exceptionally high standard. They give pupils the chance to shine and enjoy great critical acclaim.



**We are Taddington.**

**We are here to learn, succeed and thrive.**

**We are respectful, safe and responsible.**

Education is not  
preparation for life;  
education is life itself.

JOHN DEWEY



I feel safe at Taddington  
because I see all the other  
children getting along and  
the atmosphere is really  
friendly...



**MUSIC**  
ALL PUPILS LEARN:  
RECORDERS  
UKULELE  
AFRICAN DRUMMING

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Music Education instills “life values” in our learners. Some of these include; discipline, cooperation, social skills, and building good character. Knowledge of music technology, music history, music theory, and music culture will reinforce knowledge in other academic subjects as well.





**Apply from 9am on 11 November 2024**

**Top 1% of schools nationally\***

Consistently achieving the best standards in Reading, Writing and Maths

**Ofsted 'Outstanding' for Personal Development**

Out of 3,722 Primary School inspections, Ofsted graded just 20% of school as 'Outstanding' in student Personal Development+

**100% of parents say that;**

- My child is happy at the school.
- My child feels safe at the school.
- The school makes sure its pupils are well behaved.
- The school makes me aware of what my child will learn during the year.
- Concerns raised have been dealt with properly.
- My child has SEND, and the school gives them the support they need to succeed.
- My child does well at this school.
- The school lets me know how my child is doing.
- There is a good range of subjects available to my child at this school.
- The school supports my child's wider personal development.
- I would recommend this school to another parent.

\*Reading, Writing Expected standard & Reading, Writing, Maths High standard 2023/24, Writing Expected standard 2022/23

+ Official Statistics Main findings: State-funded schools inspections and outcomes as at 31 August 2023 Published 14 November 2023

# ABOUT OUR FOREST SCHOOL

Our Forest School is designed to enhance and complement our day to day curriculum in not only the Early Years Foundation Stage, but also through Key Stage One and Key Stage 2. It offers all our children opportunities to develop confidence, self-esteem and to experience achievement. Our beautiful woodland area and outdoor classroom facilitate regular sessions for pupils at Taddington and beyond.

Forest School instils a deep respect and awareness for the natural world and reconnects children to their environment.

The Forest School ethos builds a deep, instinctual connection to the natural space. Being in nature allows learners to observe real life, witness cause and effect and consider our roles and responsibilities towards it.

## SPORT AND PE

Alongside the more traditional sport and P.E such as football, tennis, badminton, hockey, basketball, gymnastics, dance, etc. we are also proud to be able to offer the children at Taddington a vast range of wider experiences such as archery and canoeing. Children also get regular opportunities to compete against children from other schools.





## HIGH ACHIEVEMENT AND PROGRESS

This is secured through outstanding teaching, the celebration of achievement and the development of excellent learning behavior.

## EXCELLENT CITIZENSHIP

Pupils and staff are encouraged to identify with a school that respects and nurtures its population. In essence, Taddington is a happy and productive place to learn and work.

## A LEARNING COMMUNITY

A great education opens doors for young people and we work hard to enable our pupils to achieve and succeed. This necessitates high levels of staff reflection and learning to ensure we meet the needs of all our pupils.

## CREATIVITY, LEADERSHIP & ACCOUNTABILITY

Staff and Governors understand their leadership role and have high expectations of all in school. High quality training and robust systems promote accountability and leadership opportunities for pupils and staff.