

MILFORD INFANT SCHOOL



GROWING

LIFE-LONG LEARNERS

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Welcome

Milford is a thriving infants school in the heart of the Milford community. Everything we do is focused on our core values; **Grow, Learn, Believe, Achieve.**

Our dedicated and experienced team of staff work hard to provide a nurturing and secure environment which allows all our children to flourish and grow.

At Milford we recognise that every child is different, and through our exciting and varied curriculum, our Woodland School and Outdoor Learning Programme, we strive to ensure that every child achieves their personal best both inside and outside of the classroom.

"Pupils at Milford are happy and positive about their learning. The school's warm nurturing ethos enables them to thrive and be successful."

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I am delighted that you are considering sending your child to our School.

I understand that choosing the right school for your child is an important decision and myself and the Milford team are here to support you through that process.

I hope you enjoy browsing through our prospectus, which aims to give you an overview of all we have to offer.

I believe that Milford is a truly special school. Come and visit us, you will receive a very warm welcome.

Sara Cox
Headteacher





“The school sets high standards for pupils academically and personally.”

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Creative and ambitious

Milford School provides opportunities for all children to develop as independent, confident, creative and successful learners with high aspirations.

Our curriculum is inclusive, broad, balanced, rich in opportunities and continually developing to ensure our children ‘Grow, Learn, Believe, Achieve.’

In Reception, our aim is to provide a caring, home from home environment, so that children feel safe, happy and confident. We place a strong emphasis on learning through a combination of adult directed activities and supporting child led learning with skilled ‘playful practitioners’ who play alongside children developing language and key concepts.

English
Mathematics
Science
History
Geography
Art and design
Computing
Music
PE
PNSE

Woodland school

Woodland school is held off-site locally at the Witley Centre with all Key Stage One children attending a full day of Woodland School each half term. Reception children begin Woodland School in the summer term.

Woodland School learning is integrated with our existing class curriculum so that children can develop their knowledge and skills in the outdoor classroom. There is a high focus on developing the 'character' of children such as resilience, independence and courage, and wider skills such as: teamwork, problem solving and critical thinking.

Activities include: den building, map reading, plant and animal identification, fire lighting and of course the all-important roasting of marshmallows!

The aims of Woodland School are to:



Develop skills and ability to work as a team

Nurture self esteem

Create independent learners

To teach resilience and risk taking

To develop healthier bodies

Enhance communication

Equip children with love and respect for the outdoors





Our ACE philosophy drives our ambition for Outdoor Learning which is an important part of life at Milford School. We have outstanding grounds with our own Secret Garden for pond dipping and habitat studies. The Octagon is our fabulous new outside classroom and we have an allotment for children to grow their own vegetables. We know that the best classrooms only have the sky for the ceiling!

ACE = Adventurous, Courageous, Extraordinary

“All children are enthused by regular outdoor learning opportunities.”

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Enrichment

We regularly invite a range of exciting visitors to our school to enrich the childrens' learning experiences, such as: The Pied Piper Theatre Company who led us to wonder 'Can Bears Ski?', along with Graham and his wonderful hedgehogs and our local fire brigade and police officers.

In May we had a fun filled day when our field became a farm for the day thanks to Millers Ark Farm and their furry friends. And earlier in the year the whole school was up and active at an amazing Diwali Dance Workshop.

Year 2 have visited Marwell Zoo as part of their habitat and food chain studies and have been busy swimming at the Godalming Leisure Centre, and developing their team building, courage and resilience skills whilst rock climbing at Henley Fort.





Community

We value fostering great relationships and communication with our parents and carers and the wider community.

Our PTA work extremely hard to provide lots of events throughout the year for both parents and children and we have a fantastic team of parent volunteers

Our team of committed Governors work hard behind the scenes to help, support and continually develop the school.



Fantastic events organised by our PTA include: Parent Quiz nights, School discos, Bake off Competitions, Christmas and Summer Fairs, and last Christmas a snow machine turned our playground into a Winter Wonderland on the last day of term!

Clubs & activities

There are numerous clubs and activities available for our children to enjoy, including:

- **Boogie Pumps**
- **Rock Steady**
- **Football**
- **Lego and Playmobil Club**
- **Film Nights**
- **Karate**



Wrap around care

We understand that balancing work/life and childcare is a challenge, which is why we offer our own in-house breakfast club which runs from 7:45am to school start time.

The club is held in our hall and, in addition to breakfast, a host of resources and games are available. Breakfast Club costs £5.50 per day and we accept childcare vouchers.

We have a strong relationship with our neighbouring Orchard After School Club who collect Milford children from school and then accompany them on a short walk through the playground to the After School Club where they have a meal, activities and chill out time until they are collected up until 6pm.

What our parents say

"We couldn't be prouder. Our son has loved his first year at school – thank you for all your care and hard work."

"Thank you so much for supporting us. It has transformed our daughter's schooling life, she is happy, learning, progressing and has wonderful friends!"

"We are thrilled at how well our son has settled in at Milford and extremely pleased with his progress. Thank you for all of your hard work."

"Lovely to read such individual details about our child. She has flourished with the teachers' care over the last two years."

"Thank you Mrs B – your heart has gone into this class and it shows, it's been the best year x"





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