



# TOLL BAR PRIMARY SCHOOL PROSPECTUS



## WELCOME TO OUR SCHOOL

Welcome to Toll Bar Primary School. We aim to create a safe, happy, caring and exciting environment where everyone is treasured and is able to achieve their potential. I hope you find the prospectus informative and useful, with the hope that it gives you an insight into the opportunities for learning which will be offered to your child.

We are proud of our school and its achievements. We have high expectations of all our children and strive to ensure that every child makes excellent progress.

We believe it is important for home and school to work together to enable your child to grow into the person they are capable of being. Please feel free to contact me if you wish to discuss any matter relating to your child's education. With our combined support and understanding for his or her efforts your child will feel encouraged and motivated to learn.

If you need to know more, or wish to see the school at work then you will always be made welcome. We will be delighted to show you round and answer any questions you may have.

Our aim in the school is to educate the whole child, and through the curriculum will provide for the learning of skills and knowledge, a child should be given every opportunity to realise their aspirations and express their feelings. We are committed to safeguarding children and promote the welfare of every child in our school.

We hope that our time together will be enjoyable, valued and successful.

We look forward to working with you.

Yours sincerely

**Mrs Jill Northwood**

Headteacher



## EVERY CHILD REALLY MATTERS

We are a primary school taking children age 3 – 11 years. Children enter the Foundation Stage at the beginning of the term after their 3rd birthday and are entitled to 15 hours a week provision. They enter full time education at the beginning of the school year in which they will attain their 5th birthday. There are approximately 140 children on roll.

Our children transfer to KS3 at the end of Year 6. The majority of pupils attend Don Valley School of Performing Arts.

We believe that an exciting curriculum is essential. Our calm and purposeful atmosphere contributes greatly to the development of the whole child. Toll Bar Primary School children

are encouraged to make the right choices, to develop their thinking skills. The independence and skills our children develop help them to be caring and thoughtful citizens of the future.







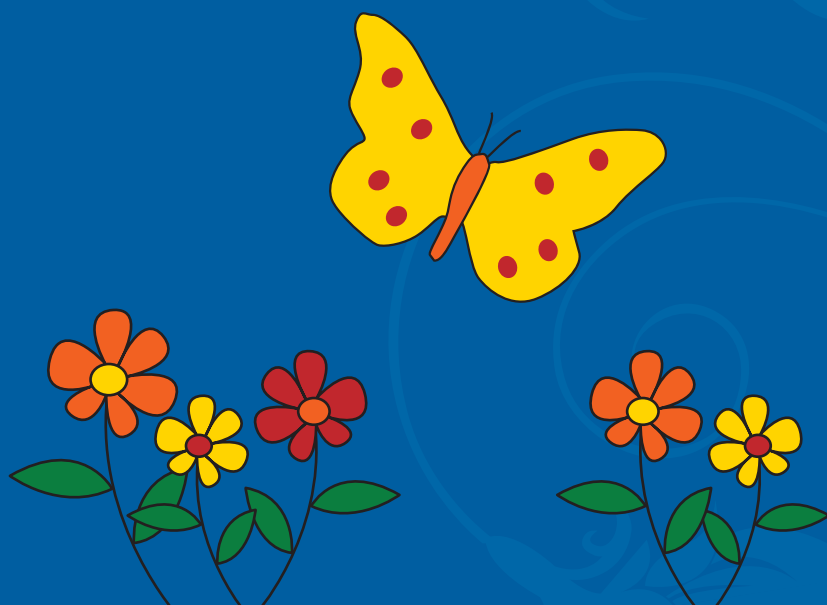
## **ADMISSIONS**

All applications to our school are welcome.

Admission forms are available from the school office or from:

DMBC, The Council House, College Road, Doncaster DN1 3AD

[www.doncaster.gov.uk](http://www.doncaster.gov.uk)



## TEACHING & LEARNING

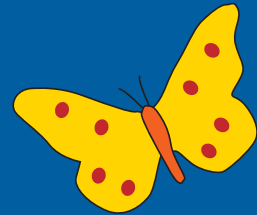
Teaching and Learning is at the heart of school life. It is the means by which we offer and put into practice a curriculum which is broad and balanced, provides challenge and raises standards. The curriculum at our school ensures the development of all our pupils and plans for their physical, social and emotional needs.

Everyone at our school is committed to enabling every child to reach their potential. We believe in the concept

of lifelong learning and that learning should be a rewarding and enjoyable experience for everyone; it should be fun.

Teaching is organised to cover a wide range of activities in a variety of different and creative ways so that we ensure breadth and balance to our curriculum, which meets the needs of individuals and groups of children. This can be through our many visits and visitors to school.

Toll Bar Primary School is an inclusive school, each child is provided with the opportunity to succeed, develop academically, physically and spiritually, whatever their individual needs and the potential barriers to learning may be.



### AT TOLL BAR PRIMARY SCHOOL CHILDREN HAVE THE RIGHT TO:

- **Learn** in an encouraging environment
- **Achieve** the best they can
- **Know** that any adult in school can be approached for help, advice or guidance.
- Feel **Safe** and cared for in School
- **Enjoy** time in school



## **FOUNDATION STAGE**

Our Foundation Stage provides an exciting, excellent start to school life.

In our Foundation unit we provide stimulating activities, equipment and materials, linked to structured play based curriculum. The children are able to develop the skills, attitudes and understanding necessary to become effective learners throughout life.

## **EXTENDED SCHOOLS**

Further opportunities for children are available to enhance their learning and interests are offered through visits, including residential visits for Year 2 to Year 6 children. These visits are annually made to:

- Austerfield Study Centre
- Hatfield Water Park
- YHA Castleton

## **BREAKFAST CLUB**

We have a family Breakfast Club for pupils and parents every day in the Canteen, from 8.00 am to 8.30 am.

We encourage children to eat a healthy breakfast before school:

- Choice of cereals
- A slice of toast
- Fruit juice or
- A hot drink for just 40p
- Sports activities once a week with our trained coach
- Parents and carers welcome
- Hot breakfasts available

## **KEYSTAGES 1 & 2**

As children move on from Foundation Stage they enter Keystage 1 (Years 1 and 2) and then progress into Keystage 2 (Years 3, 4, 5 and 6). The high standards are continued throughout Keystage 1 and 2 through our creative curriculum.

We try to arrange a number of interesting days trips for all children to gain some 'hands on' experience to make their topics more enjoyable.

A first-aider accompanies every visit, along with plenty of experienced and trained staff to supervise small groups of children when out of school. Risk assessments are carried out before all visits take place.

## **AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS**

We organise a comprehensive range of after school clubs. There is usually a choice of after school clubs available from 3.00 pm to 4.00 pm every day. For example: -

- Sports
- ICT
- Baking
- Art and Craft



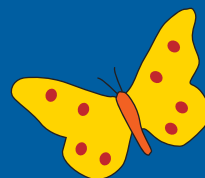
## OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL

Toll Bar Primary School is an inclusive school, where we endeavour to treat each child as an individual, ensuring that all children reach their full potential. Learning is structured to cater for the whole ability range, ensuring that the more able pupils along with those with learning needs are provided with challenging work, experience success and make progress.

The school has a policy for Special Educational Needs which is in line with the Special Needs Code of Practice. It is important to identify children at an early age, in order to offer the appropriate support to enable them to reach their full potential.

Children's progress is maintained, monitored and reviewed, with

parents being involved at all times. Gifted and Talented children are given the opportunity to enrich and extend their talents through personalised learning.



## SCHOOL UNIFORM

All children are encouraged to wear uniform. We feel that this promotes positive attitudes and creates a sense of 'belonging'.

### GIRLS

- White blouse or polo shirt
- Navy cardigan or sweatshirt
- Dark skirt, pinafore dress or trousers

### BOYS

- White shirt or polo shirt
- Navy sweatshirt
- Dark trousers

### PE KIT

- White t-shirt
- Black shorts
- Tracksuits
- Trainers

Children should not attend school wearing jewellery or make up.

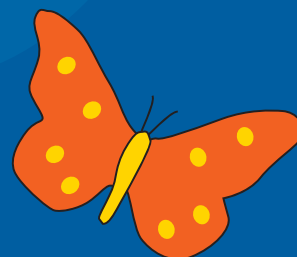
## ATTENDANCE

Good Attendance is promoted every week and awards are presented to children with 100% attendance each term.

I am sure you will agree that good attendance is essential to ensure that your child doesn't miss any lessons.

All absences need to be reported to the school office. Attendance is monitored by the Education Welfare Officer.

Up to 10 school days for a holiday may be authorised for those with good attendance over 92%.



## ABOUT OUR SCHOOL

We have gained the Healthy School Award, this means that we are devoted to improving health by promoting physical and emotional health.

Through providing relevant information to equip pupils with the skills and attitudes needed to make informed decisions about their health in a physical and social environment that is conducive to learning.

- The School meals service provides a healthy option every day
- School meals with fresh vegetables are cooked daily on the premises
- Children are encouraged to bring a healthy packed lunch
- All children receive a free piece of fruit or vegetable each day
- Water bottles can be re-filled using the water coolers in school
- Milk is available for Foundation and KS1 children

Children whose families are in receipt of certain benefits are eligible to receive a free school meal and milk. Please see the office staff for further information.

## THE SCHOOL DAY

Foundation 1  
Foundation 2 and Key Stage 1  
Key Stage 2  
Assembly  
Morning Playtime

9.00 am - 12.00 noon  
8.45 am - 2.55 pm  
8.45 am - 3.00 pm  
10.10 am - 10.30 am  
10.30 am - 10.45 am



Further information about our school is available at [www.tollbar.doncaster.sch.uk](http://www.tollbar.doncaster.sch.uk)







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