

# Welcome to Hurst Green Infant School and Nursery

*Bringing out the best by caring, learning and achieving together*

*Head Teacher: Mrs Sarah George*



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# 'Bringing out the best by caring, learning and achieving together'.

We achieve this through our School Aims:

- To enable every child to fulfil their potential by fostering a love of learning and providing a consistently high standard of teaching in a safe and stimulating environment.
- To promote positive behaviour by having high expectations and encouraging all children to develop tolerance, mutual respect and understanding of others.
- To demonstrate an inclusive approach, ensuring that children feel safe and secure and that every member of the school community is valued.
- To ensure children leave the school capable, confident and prepared to meet the challenge of the next stage of their education.



Our school enjoys spectacular grounds and the bright, cheerful, south-facing classrooms look directly out onto our enormous playing field with its mature oak and willow trees. Naturally, the children are encouraged to make full use of this incredible asset whatever the weather! The classrooms also have direct access to a safe and secure outdoor learning area with a large, shady canopy. This ensures that the children are given ample opportunity to learn outdoors as well as indoors. This is an important part of our learning here at Hurst Green. We are blessed with a hardworking, dedicated and creative staff that is always looking for ways to enrich the curriculum to ensure that our children develop a love for learning.

We know that you have already begun the learning process with your child and we are keen to work in partnership with you to continue this development. This partnership begins with a warm invitation from all of us to find out more about our school. Parents/carers are always welcome to look around the school, appointments may be made at a mutually convenient time by telephoning the school office.

We look forward to welcoming you in the near future and hope you will see why we are so proud of our school and the children who come here.

Mrs Sarah George

Head Teacher



*“Hurst Green is a cosy school with a friendly atmosphere, making parents feel valued and respected. The children are treated with kindness and as individuals. I am pleased that my daughter attends this fantastic school.”*

## **FOREST SCHOOL**

At Hurst Green Infant School and Nursery we are very fortunate to have green space by abundance and in a small wooded area and on part of the field we are delighted to be able to offer the children Forest School sessions.

Forest School is a way of facilitating learning outdoors. It is about being in a special place for a period of time. Forest School sessions are designed to enhance and complement our day to day curriculum from KS1 to Foundation stage. It will offer children opportunities to develop confidence and self-esteem and to experience achievement in the outdoor area. Forest School is based on the idea that children can develop enthusiasm for education through an appreciation of nature. Forest Schools have found to boost pupils' confidence and improved their behaviour and social skills.



Forest School is holistic learning through play and exploration, children learn about the natural environment, how to handle risks and use their initiative to solve problems and to co-operate with others.

## **SAFEGUARDING/ CHILD PROTECTION**

This school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.

The named Designated Safeguarding Lead is the Head Teacher Sarah George. The Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead is Karen Fasoyiro. It is the responsibility of the Designated Safeguarding Lead to ensure adequate arrangements exist within the school to identify, assess and support those children who may be at risk or are suffering harm. All regular volunteers and staff in school are required to have enhanced DBS clearance.

You can request our Safeguarding Policy from the School Office.

## **ADMISSIONS**

Hurst Green Infant School and Nursery is for boys and girls from 4-7 year olds, with a Nursery for 3-4 year olds. It is maintained by Surrey County Council. Further information on admissions criteria can be found at [www.surreycc.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.surreycc.gov.uk/admissions)

## **SEND**

At Hurst Green School we aim to address the individual needs of every child. All pupils in our school take part fully in the activities that make up the school day and additional school events. Teachers ensure work is differentiated and children receive the necessary support in class to enable them to access the curriculum.

*“The school is excellent, all of the teaching staff seem to care about each individual child and understand them”.*



## OFSTED

In February 2016 the school had a very positive Ofsted inspection and the school was rated “Good”. The 2016 report is available on the Ofsted website, [www.ofsted.gov.uk](http://www.ofsted.gov.uk). Below are some quotes from the report which we are particularly proud of:



- “Pupils across the school make good progress from their various starting points and often reach levels of attainment above those seen nationally.”
- “Pupils enjoy coming to school. Their behaviour is typically good when they are learning in the classroom and when they are playing together at break time... Pupils are able to talk about what they are learning and about their positive feelings for the school.”
- Parents are “particularly positive about how happy their children are, that their children feel safe and how well their children are cared for.”
- “Leaders, including governors, are driven to continually improve the school. Your expectations and ambition for pupils’ achievement are very high.”

## Contact Us

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