



Hookstone Chase
PRIMARY SCHOOL



SCHOOL PROSPECTUS 2021 / 2022

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WELCOME TO HOOKSTONE CHASE

A warm welcome to Hookstone Chase Primary School. We pride ourselves on our warm, friendly and family ethos which provides the firm foundations for effective learning. We strive to achieve the best outcomes for all of our children through a rich, engaging and vibrant curriculum.

Hookstone Chase Primary School is part of Northern Star Academies Trust, a thriving Trust Partnership of primary and secondary schools in North and West Yorkshire. We enjoy working collaboratively to share the very best practice, ensuring the highest quality education for all our children.

Hookstone Chase Primary School is situated on the edge of open countryside on the southeastern outskirts of Harrogate. It is set within its own attractive grounds complete with extensive playing fields, sports court, gardens and a willow tunnel as well as an Outdoor Stage. This is complemented by a well-maintained, bright and lively building which ensures that the learning environments add quality and value to the children's education.

It is our intention that all children have the opportunity to grow and flourish in their learning. Through the provision of an exciting and stimulating curriculum, with a range of enrichment opportunities, we want the children to feel inspired to develop their own interests and become independent, resilient and reflective learners.

The personal development of each child is of great value to us and we place a lot of importance on developing the social and emotional aspects of learning to equip them with the skills and understanding they will need to lead confident, healthy and independent lives.

I would be delighted to show you around school to see us at work and at play. Please do not hesitate to contact us.

Ann L Wheatcroft
Interim Headteacher

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OUR VISION

- ✦ Moving forwards together, we embrace change, continue to learn and achieve high standards
- ✦ Our children know that they are safe and cared for and are encouraged to achieve their personal best
- ✦ To equip children with positive attributes and help them to embrace diversity, value themselves and the world
- ✦ To provide inspirational learning experiences that will ignite sparks within children and enable them to achieve and be successful

OUR VALUES

- ✦ BEING KIND
- ✦ BEING YOUR BEST
- ✦ BEING TOGETHER
- ✦ BEING ADVENTUROUS
- ✦ BEING HEALTHY



What Ofsted said about us...

"The staff team shows a high level of commitment to and passion for providing the best possible educational experiences for pupils"

"Staff are proud to be a part of the school"

"A caring, inclusive ethos permeates the school. Older pupils are adept in supporting younger pupils"

"Pupils are exceptionally polite, mature and welcoming"

"There is an effective culture of safeguarding in the school"

"Relationships between staff and pupils are very positive. Staff place a heavy emphasis on supporting pupil's emotional development"

"Pupils said they feel safe in school"

Our School Day...

Our usual school day

DOORS OPEN for early morning work	8.40AM
DOORS CLOSE	8.50AM
SCHOOL STARTS	9.00AM
ASSEMBLY	9.05AM – 9.20AM (Mon – Thurs) 2.45PM – 3.00PM (Fri)
MORNING BREAK	10.20AM – 10.35AM
LUNCH INFANTS	12.00 NOON – 1.00PM
LUNCH JUNIORS	12.00 NOON – 1.00PM
KEY STAGE 1 BREAK	2.25PM – 2.40PM
END OF SCHOOL	3.15PM



Our Staff...

Headteacher

Miss V Watson

Teachers

Name	Role	Class	Year Group
Mr S Hayes	Deputy Headteacher	Maple Class	Y5/6
Mr M Adams	Teacher	Oak Class	Y5/6
Mrs C Hazel	Teacher	Horse Chestnut	Y4/5
Mr K Parker	Teacher	Silver Birch	Y3/4
Miss H Holmes	Teacher - SENCo	Hawthorn	Y3/4
Mrs E Philips	Teacher	Beech	Y3/4
Mrs Fitzgibbon	Teacher	Willow	Y2
Mrs K McCarthy	Teacher	Holly	Y1/2
Miss Husband	Teacher	Pine	Y1
Miss C Bridgeman	Teacher	Sycamore	Reception/Y1
Miss H Chamberlain	Teacher	Rowan	Reception
Mrs Y Staines	Teacher	PPA Cover	
Mrs S Armstrong	Teacher	PPA Cover	

Associate Staff

Name
Mrs E Jack
Mrs S Grant
Mrs V Wiltshire
Mrs S McCann
Mrs S Dobson
Miss J Kingsley
Mrs C Warrington
Mrs K Ward
Mrs P Rumford
Mrs S Jacobs
Mrs C Rowe

Pastoral Leader

Mrs J Peacock

Administrative Staff

Miss S Holt	Admin & Finance Officer
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Senior Midday Staff

Mrs S Hardcastle

Midday Supervisors

Mrs S MCann	Mrs K Ward
Miss J Kingsley	Mrs S Dobson
Mrs C Warrington	
Mrs V Wiltshire	
Mrs S Jacobs	

Catering Staff

Mrs L Sing / Mrs G Wilson

Caretaker / Cleaner

Mr S Meredith

Special Education Needs (SEN / SEND)

What are the visions for Hookstone Chase Primary School and our children?

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What are the aims for Hookstone Chase Primary School and our children?

Hookstone Chase is fully committed to providing every child with access to a broad and balanced inclusive curriculum to ensure the progress for all pupils. Our aims are to:

- ♦ Provide equal opportunities for all
 - ♦ Eliminate discrimination
- ♦ Establish a team approach between school, home and outside agencies
 - ♦ Support all pupils to reach their full potential
- ♦ Develop respect for all and an appreciation of differences

In the context of Special Educational Needs and Disability, our aims are:

- ♦ To create a rich learning environment with a caring ethos for all children
- ♦ To ensure that all children's learning needs are identified, addressed and provided for
 - ♦ To support children to enable them to work independently and consistently
- ♦ To enable all children to have full access to all elements of the school curriculum
- ♦ To provide a Special Educational Needs Co-ordinator (SENDCo) who will work with the SEN Inclusion policy providing support and advice for all staff working alongside children with special educational needs
 - ♦ To ensure that all staff are fully trained and equipped to meet the needs of every child
 - ♦ To monitor regularly the effectiveness of interventions



WRAP AROUND CARE AND HOLIDAY CLUB

Fee Structure from 1st January 2022

TERM TIME

Before School	From 7.30am – 8.40am Monday - Friday
After School	From 3.15pm – 6pm Monday - Friday

HOLIDAY CLUB

All our sessions are held at Hookstone Chase Primary School and include breakfast and/or evening meal and morning and afternoon snacks.

Wrap around care provision has changed and a new provider will be working with us in the new year. Details of prices, availability will be posted on the school website in late December 2021.

BREAKFAST CLUB

To book a place in Breakfast Club, please contact the school office on 01423 886 026 or via email using the address admin@hookstonechase.n-yorks.sch.uk

AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

For after school places and holiday club, please contact Nature's Little Learners via email on outofschool@natureslittlelearners.co.uk

Guiding you through the admissions process...

Primary and junior school applications.

Starting in reception or transferring to a junior school into year 3 for the first time in September 2022? You can apply for a school now and the deadline to apply is 15th January 2022.

What age do children start school?

Usually, children start reception the September after their forth birthday. However, applications can sometimes be deferred.

School admissions authorities are required to provide school places for all children in North Yorkshire to start school in the September following their forth birthday. On our timelines page you can work out what you should do next based on your child's date of birth.

We strongly recommend that you visit school to meet with the team, ask and questions and see the lovely work going on at Hookstone. Covid safe visits can be arranged by appointment. Please contact the admin team on 01423 886026.

Timelines and dates for this year

(<https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/timeline-and-important-dates-school-admissions>)

Child's fifth birthday	Date on which the child reaches compulsory school age	Child must start school
Between 1 st September and 31 st December inclusive	31 st December	Spring term
Between 1 st January and 31 st March inclusive	31 st March	Summer term
Between 1 st April and 31 st August inclusive (summer born)	31 st August	Autumn term

Apply online @ www.northyorks.gov.uk/apply-place-primary-or-secondary-school

You can:

- create an account if you do not have one;
- make a new application;
- continue with an application you have saved;
- view your submitted application; or
- view which school your child has been offered.

[Apply online or log into your account](#)

It is recommended that you keep the acknowledgement email you will received once you have submitted your application as proof that you have applied for a school place.

Access arrangements

NYCC - Road Safety and Travel Awareness Team

www.hookstonechaseprimary.co.uk/parents-carers/school-gate-parking



Blue badge holders can access school via the school car park.

All other visitors should park outside of the school and can use the laybys near the Hookstone Chase entrance or the Forest Lane entrance.

Uniform & Belongings

All pupils are requested to wear the Hookstone Chase School Uniform as we feel it looks smart, wears well and contributes to a sense of belonging.

The school colours are Ink Navy and grey and school clothing may be purchased from: Rawcliffes Schoolwear Centre, East Parade, Harrogate and Emblazon, Tower Street, Harrogate. www.emblazon.biz.

All children are asked to wear smart, low-heeled dark shoes and not trainers.

A plain white t-shirt and navy shorts are worn for P.E. Pumps/plimsolls, not trainers, may be worn for indoor P.E. For outdoor games skills lessons in the colder month's children are asked to bring their trainers and tracksuits or equivalent suitable clothing.

Please ensure that all clothing is clearly marked with the child's name.

We aim to use the whole school grounds as a learning environment and therefore some outdoor activities may lead to your child's clothing becoming dirty. Please accept our apologies, but learning can be a messy business! In bad weather children should remember to bring Wellington boots.

A water bottle is provided for all pupils when they begin school so that the children can have regular drinks of water. Replacements are available at a cost of £1.50.

We also request that parents/carers ensure that these guidelines are followed to avoid any upset through loss or breakage:

- ✦ No jewellery should be worn, except for a watch. (In the case of pierced ears, only stud earrings should be worn and pupils must be able to remove them for PE lessons. Should you wish to, we encourage all parents to pierce ears at the start of the summer holiday so that earrings can be removed in September for PE and swimming.
- ✦ No toys unless requested for school topics.
- ✦ No sweets as we wish to promote healthy eating.
- ✦ No money except for specific school purposes.
- ✦ No mobile phones.



www.hookstonechaseprimary.co.uk/parents-carers/attendance-and-leave-of-absence

We place a lot of importance on regular attendance at school and under the new Government legislation, we are unable to authorise holiday requests.

If there are exceptional circumstances these can be applied for. If a child is absent for any reason, parents are requested to ring the school office as soon as possible on the first day of absence. An answer phone message may be left. All unexplained absences are followed up by the school as per our commitment to keeping children safe.



Term Dates 2021 / 2022

2022

Staff Training Day		Tuesday 4 th January 2022
Spring Term	School re-opens	Wednesday 5 th January 2022
Half - Term	School closes	Friday 18 th February 2022
	School re-opens	Monday 28 th February 2022
Easter Hols	School closes	Friday 8 th April 2022
Summer Term	School re-opens	Monday 25 th April 2022
May Day	School closed	Monday 2 nd May 2022
Half – Term	School closes	Friday 27 th May 2022
	School re-opens	Monday 6 th June 2022
Summer Hols	School closes	Friday 22 nd July 2022
Staff Training Day		Monday 25 th July 2022
		Tuesday 26 th July 2022

North Star Academies Trust

Northern Star Academies Trust (NSAT) is successful, Multi-Academy Trust with sponsor status and is not for profit charity which comprises of primary and secondary schools across North and West Yorkshire.

Northern Star Academies Trust's vision is to nurture learning in a sustainable environment so that our whole community can thrive, aspire and succeed.

Nurture

We promise that children will learn in a nurturing environment in which each child's individuality is respected.

Sustain

We promise to provide strong and steady leadership, and to encourage all children to live and learn in a sustainable way.

Aspire

We promise that we will provide stimulating, 21st century learning environments and pedagogies, using the most effective EdTech available, so that all children can reach their aspirations.

Thrive

We promise to all our learning communities--children, staff and the wider community—that we will do all we can to ensure that they thrive in a supportive Trust which is committed to looking after all.



Governance

Each academy in Northern Star Academies Trust has a local governing body which works on behalf of the Directors to exercise leadership in the running of the individual academy and holds the Headteacher and staff to account. It is responsible for promoting high standards and strives to ensure that young people are attending a successful academy which provides them with a good education and supports their well-being.

The functions of Hookstone Chase Primary School's Local Governing Body are:

- ♦ helping the Headteacher and senior leadership team to set high standards by planning for the school's future and setting performance targets for the school;
- ♦ monitoring the effectiveness of the school provision;
- ♦ monitoring financial performance against budget and the management of risks against the school's risk register;
- ♦ ensuring funds are spent appropriately and to the best benefit of students, especially disadvantaged students;
- ♦ acting as a critical friend to the Headteacher and senior leadership team, offering support and advice;
- ♦ helping the school respond to the needs of parents and the community;
- ♦ helping make the school be open and accountable to the public for what it does;
- ♦ working with the school on planning and developing policies and keeping the school provision under review; and
- ♦ exercising the responsibilities and powers delegated to it by the Directors in partnership with the Headteacher and staff.