

FROM 3 TO 11 YEAR OLDS



SUCCESS IN THE MAKING

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A SMALL SCHOOL WITH A BIG REPUTATION

At Wilmslow Preparatory School, we offer academic and creative excellence in a caring, respectful and stimulating environment.

Our unique Wilmslow Prep Pathway, underpinned by close communication and partnership with parents and guardians, is made up of four distinct phases. It allows your child to fulfil their individual potential by the time they leave us at 11, enabling families, supported by our professional advice, to choose the right senior school for their child.

Ours is a family orientated school where your child will be nurtured as an individual and encouraged to achieve their very best. Small class sizes and a wide-ranging programme of academic and personal development ensure that all pupils develop a broad range of skills and interests, achieving academic results well beyond national expectations.

PROVIDING TAILORED EXCELLENCE

We structure our excellent education throughout your child's school career. This is achieved through clearly defined aims. These are:

- ✓ To inspire academic excellence through a broad, balanced and varied curriculum.
- ✓ To develop pupils with lively, enquiring and creative minds.
- ✓ To value each child as an individual so as to maximise his or her potential and confidence.
- ✓ To offer a safe, caring and kind environment.
- ✓ To encourage self-respect and respect for others.

Consistent attainment of these aims has helped us to build and maintain our status as a small school with a big reputation, with the majority of our pupils coming to us by way of personal recommendation.

BROADENING MINDS AND CREATING A WIDER VISION

THE EARLY YEARS - LET SCHOOL LIFE BEGIN!

In Wilmslow Prep's Early Years (Phase I of the Wilmslow Prep Pathway) we offer our children a happy, caring and purposeful learning environment. We recognise the uniqueness of each child and their family backgrounds, and nurture this within our own environment to ensure we are developing confident, independent learners who have consideration for others and the world around them.

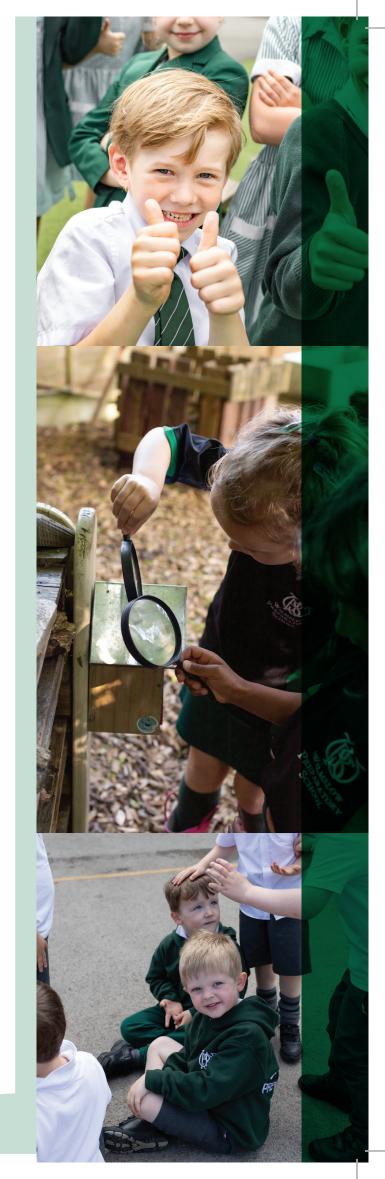
Our small, well-staffed Kindergarten setting offers a flexible Foundation Stage programme, which allows parents to choose sessions which suit their needs and those of their child, and enables them to move seamlessly into our full time Reception class.

The children discover work and play in a kind, friendly atmosphere, and we help guide their first steps towards independence.

Early Years pupils are introduced to the fundamental elements of reading, writing and mathematics. They also enjoy Music, Drama, French and PE lessons. The children are taught the values of polite manners, good behaviour and courtesy. Most importantly, they are happy and relish WPS school life, becoming fully engaged in their individual learning journey.

PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT

Right from the start of each child's school life we foster close links with parents and carers through regular, informal contact. We encourage and value parental involvement in their child's learning and development through our open door policy, learning journeys, weekly updates and information sessions.



LEARNING ABOUT WORK, PLAY AND FRIENDSHIP

KEY STAGE 1 (PREP 1 & 2: PHASE 2 OF THE WILMSLOW PREP PATHWAY) – A TIME OF GREAT INDIVIDUAL DEVELOPMENT

From five to seven years of age, our Key Stage I pupils progress through Prep I and 2. During these years, pupils rapidly develop their learning skills, advancing in numeracy, literacy, and science, all of which open up new possibilities in the acquisition of knowledge. In particular, improved literacy skills promote the pleasures of independent reading.

The children's horizons continue to be broadened by specialist teachers for Modern Foreign Languages, Science, ICT, PE, Music, Art and Drama.

Activities outside the pure academic curriculum encourage pupils to gain greater independence. Participation and enjoyment of after-school activities add to their capabilities and self-confidence.

At WPS, we offer tailored excellence. This means that through our robust continuous system for monitoring and assessing progress, we can ensure that every child is given the opportunity to achieve their potential. All lessons are differentiated, recognising the individual needs of each pupil. With small class sizes, teaching assistants and a specialist Learning Support Teacher, we have the flexibility to accommodate teaching according to need, including working in small groups or 1:1 when required.

Our pupils benefit from the support of highly qualified teaching assistants. This allows us to focus teaching on the individual needs of each child.





SHAPING The future

KEY STAGE 2 (PREP 3-6: PHASES 3 & 4 OF THE WILMSLOW PREP PATHWAY) ACHIEVING RESULTS

In Key Stage 2 children are set extended goals, including individual targets, and we expect our pupils to work hard to achieve the results of which we know they are capable.

Pupils benefit from an even greater variety of specialist teachers, and Verbal and Non-Verbal Reasoning is now part of the curriculum in preparation for senior school examinations. Pupils' skills in independence, organisation and time-management are enhanced.

The combination of an increased focus on development of such skills and the meticulous tracking of progress mean that at this stage we are already starting your child's preparation for senior school entrance examinations from the start of the 'junior' years, whilst developing an enduring love of learning and providing many opportunities for each child to shine.

Regular homework is set, extending and consolidating learning and preparing the children for senior school.

We believe it is vitally important that every child is valued and knows his or her own strengths. Each child is constantly encouraged to achieve their personal best.

Many of the children represent the School in sports, music, drama and art competitions. Extra-curricular activities become even more fulfilling, involving choirs, orchestras, specialised sports, computing and much more.

School trips widen individual knowledge and experience, whilst a growing emphasis on behaviour, friendships, citizenship and social interaction prepares pupils for their future beyond Wilmslow Prep.

Senior School examination results show our pupils consistently gain entry to a range of senior schools of their choice, many to the schools of high national reputation which we are fortunate to have in the area.

We are immensely proud of our Prep 6 pupils who leave the School as happy, independent, interested and responsible individuals, with a level of confidence and enthusiasm that is second to none.

> - GAINING GREATER INDEPENDENCE and responsibility -

PROMOTING AN ALL-ROUND EDUCATION

SPORT

Our pupils take part in athletics and cross country as well as a wide range of ball and racket sports including tennis, cricket, football, rugby, hockey and netball. The children can also join in activities such as archery, judo, fencing, yoga and dance.

Pupils consistently achieve outstanding sports success at local, regional and national levels and many continue to do so during their later school and university years, and beyond.

CREATIVE ARTS

Whether through music, speech, drama, dance, painting or pottery the boys and girls are encouraged to express themselves and are given plenty of opportunity to showcase their talents to their peers, parents and the public.

Many represent the School at festivals and competitions. These events help to teach children the value of cooperation with fellow pupils, the pride of representing their School, and the satisfaction of self-confident and successful performance, which are all important skills for life.



OUTSTANDING EDUCATION DELIVERED BY SPECIALIST TEACHERS

At Wilmslow Preparatory School, we are proud of our highly skilled, dedicated specialist teachers who enable us to deliver an excellent, individually tailored education, focusing on the specific learning needs of each and every child and inspiring a love for the subjects they teach.

These teachers cover core subjects such as English, Maths and Science as well as Art, Languages, Speech and Drama, PE and Music and they all ensure that every pupil fully develops his or her potential, in a stimulating and nurturing environment. Our specialist teachers really do make the difference and work above and beyond so that all pupils fulfil their own potential both academically and socially.

STRONG SENSE OF COMMUNITY

We are proud to be known for the warmth of our welcome at Wilmslow Prep. Large light classrooms, brightly decorated with pupils' work, exciting play areas and generous sports facilities, including our purpose-built sports hall and fabulous astro-turf pitch provide a happy and lively environment in which our dedicated teachers and cheerful, co-operative children are keen to work and learn.

As part of this mutually supportive and caring community we introduce a stimulating variety of non-academic activities designed to open our pupils' eyes to the world around them. These include charitable projects to benefit other individuals and communities. The School's activities are supported by a dynamic Parents' Committee who demonstrate their loyalty in many practical ways.

For those parents who need it, we also offer high quality, flexible before and after school care from 7.30am to 6.30pm.

INDEPENDENT AND FULLY ACCREDITED

Since 1966 we have been administered by an Educational Trust; we have an active and committed Board of Governors and we are fully accredited by the Independent Schools' Council. We are also represented in the Independent Association of Preparatory Schools (IAPS) and the Independent Schools' Association (ISA).

INTERNATIONAL PUPILS

We are proud to welcome pupils from across the world to our inclusive School. We hold a Tier 4 Sponsor Licence which allows us to sponsor international pupils to come to the UK to study full time in their chosen school. For more details, please contact our Bursar, Miss Davies on 01625 524246.

POLICIES

The following policies are available from the School Secretary and are also on our website:

Safeguarding Policy, Behaviour and Discipline Policy, Anti-bullying Policy, Health and Safety Policy, Complaints Policy, Admissions Policy, Curriculum Policy, SEND Policy, First Aid & Medicines Policy.



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