

# Prospectus



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# ASPIRE—RESPECT—CHALLENGE

Dear Parents,

Welcome to Shiremoor Primary School. Our school is a happy, purposeful place to be and all children, regardless of their individual needs, are encouraged to find their areas of strength and achieve their full potential. Our children benefit from a strong and broad curriculum and from many opportunities beyond the curriculum.

Shiremoor Primary School is very well-known for the excellent behaviour our children display. Children work hard and are motivated to learn. We teach them to have good manners and respect for others and ensure that all teachers have the same high expectations and consistent approach. Children receive a variety of whole school awards to congratulate them for their efforts.

Reading is a priority in Shiremoor Primary School and all children have a range of reading opportunities daily. All classrooms have book areas and children learn about a range of authors. We have invested heavily in reading and have a clear reading 'road' to success. We do ask parents to also value reading. Our book vending machine is popular with children.

We have a strong focus on learning basic skills which children are expected to apply in all subject areas. Children are taught how to present their work and to take pride in doing so. They work hard to earn a pen licence. They are provided with a huge range of learning experiences each term and we have a coherently organised curriculum that provides opportunities to develop skills and knowledge.

Our committed staff team all offer at least one extra-curricular club, in their own time, so that children can access wider opportunities to help them develop socially. We offer a huge variety of activities although there is an emphasis on sports clubs which, as well as being crucial to physical development also supports children with team and competitive work and develops their confidence and mental health.

A strong emphasis on 'Careers' and skills development motivates children to consider why learning matters and how they may shape their future lives. Our school was a pilot in the Primary Careers Benchmark. Children learn about careers in all subject areas and are encouraged to have aspirations so that they understand the importance of education.

Children are involved in decision making about school through our School Council, Shiremoor Voice, which actively meets each half-term with an agreed agenda around whole school issues and priorities. A small budget is set aside and pupils provide representation to Shiremoor Voice over how this should be spent. Children have developed their own award system to encourage strong personal development.

Communication is very important at Shiremoor Primary and you will receive regular email updates. All classes have their own 'X' (previously known as Twitter) accounts and a whole school account used to keep parents informed. Keep an eye on our website too where all letters are uploaded and dates for your diary listed.

At Shiremoor Primary School we are determined to ensure that your child is safe, happy and making progress in their learning and development. As a parent of Shiremoor Primary School, you will regularly be asked for your feedback about how we are supporting your child and we hope to work in partnership with you in the best interests of your child.

All members of staff and anyone working in school who comes into contact with children is well-trained in safeguarding. The corridors all have security pass points and CCTV provides good coverage to school access points. Ensuring your child's safety is always our first concern.

The information in this booklet is just a snippet of the excellent opportunities that we offer and further information is available on the school website or by making an appointment at the school office to speak to a member of staff. We look forward to another very successful year at Shiremoor Primary School. I will be updating parents each half-term about all of the exciting events we have had and any other information required.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Middleton  
Headteacher  
Lead Safeguarding Practitioner



# Why choose Shiremoor?

- A strong commitment to success for all
- Strong focus on personal development with an inspiring careers focus
- Committed, supportive staff team who want the best for all children
- Prominence of P.E./Sport and keeping fit and healthy including healthy cookery
- Well-thought out curriculum
- Strong focus on reading skills
- Residential visits for all KS2 children
- Strong pastoral support

*We always have a career in our heads so we can aspire to be our best selves.*

*We have lots of trips, performances and special visitors to help expand our knowledge.*

*All of our teachers are determined to give us the best start to our future.*

*All of our voices are heard. We welcome anyone regardless of their background.*

*Lessons are so fun and interesting. We get to take our Chrome books home—for free!*

*We have so many opportunities that most schools don't have like being able to take our instruments home.*

## Our Aims

The children in Shiremoor Primary School can expect to:

- Learn in a well-ordered, attractive, friendly and stimulating environment.
- Be respected for their personal qualities, valued for their achievements and acknowledged for their individual needs.
- Be encouraged to become confident, enthusiastic, self-motivated and independent learners.
- Have well-planned, organised and balanced learning opportunities in which high standards will be encouraged.
- Be expected to keep the school rules, show understanding and respect for others and be a worthwhile member of the school community.



## Our Rules

- We keep, hands, feet and other undesirable objects to ourselves.
- Quiet voices – we do not shout or use bad language.
- We are always in the right place at the right time.
- We follow helpers and teachers' instructions.
- We follow the rules of each area.

## Our Vision

The community at Shiremoor Primary School are committed to provide a safe, happy and nurturing environment where all children will become confident learners reaching their potential and becoming fully equipped for the journey ahead.



## Core Values

- Aspire •
- Respect •
- Challenge •

# General Information

## Uniform

### Daily school uniform: (Uniform can have the school logo but this is not necessary)

- Royal blue sweatshirt or cardigan.
- Plain white shirt, t-shirt or polo top.
- Black tracksuit bottoms/leggings with no logo, or black school trousers.
- Black skirts or pinafores.
- Children can wear black trainers, shoes or boots. They should be plain black in colour (All shoes and boots should be flat with no heel for safety reasons).

Please see our website for a full breakdown, including summer variations.



## P.E. Kit

### Indoors:

- Plain black shorts
- Plain white t-shirt
- Sandshoes or suitable black trainers

### Outdoors: (Winter/ Spring. In Summer, indoor kit will suffice)

- Plain black sweatshirt
- Plain black tracksuit bottoms
- Plain black trainers

Sweatshirts, cardigans, polo shirts, t-shirts, P.E. bags and book bags can be purchased online [www.totstoteams.com](http://www.totstoteams.com)

## Admissions

Shiremoor Primary School follows North Tyneside Council's Admissions Policy, which is fully explained in their own brochure and is available from the school or local libraries.

The admission number for Shiremoor Primary School is set at 60. **We also offer part time and full time Nursery places.** Please contact the school office for details.

You can apply for a place online at [www.northtyneside.gov.uk/schooladmission](http://www.northtyneside.gov.uk/schooladmission).

# Celebrating Success

## Behaviour Awards

At Shiremoor Primary School, all children will have the opportunity to work towards earning a collection of awards that celebrate consistently excellent behaviour, across various categories, aligned with our core values: Aspire, Respect, and Challenge. These awards will be presented each half-term by both adults and peers and may recognise achievements.

## Good Attendance

Parents must instil the importance of good attendance in their children. Attendance is very carefully monitored and school will support families where possible in ensuring good attendance. If children are missing their entitlement, school will take action.

Children can collect attendance badges for their sashes if they are achieving above 96%. Children are also expected to be punctual as we are preparing them for the world of work.



## Awards Sash

A yellow 'Excellence Sash' can be worn by children in special weekly 'Excellence' assemblies, these are to display any awards that children achieve such as attendance, behaviour, learning or personal development awards. Children should be encouraged to buy these with their pocket money to encourage them to be more motivated to collect awards. Sashes are available to purchase on the School Gateway app.

***"I was so excited to get my yellow sash to put my badges on—it made me feel so proud in assembly when I stood up.***

***Year 3 child***

# Organisation and Approaches

At Shiremoor Primary School we have an exciting curriculum that is relevant to our children.

Work is planned across year groups to ensure that the National Curriculum subjects are well organised and ensure that children can learn and revisit key knowledge and develop key skills across all areas of the curriculum. Our main focus at all stages is ensuring that we teach children basic skills for success with the highest priority given to the core subjects whilst ensuring that children have a broad range of exciting learning opportunities across all subject areas. The Senior Leadership Team is organised to support and promote children's learning and ensure the school runs efficiently each day.



All of the above staff are available to ensure that any queries you have can be responded to and to make sure that standards are high. All class teachers and senior staff are happy to be seen by appointment. This is to ensure they can have time set aside for you when they are not responsible for children and this also means they can be prepared for your appointment. Please phone the office to arrange appointments.



# Curriculum

Aspire. Respect. Challenge. These are the core values that our whole curriculum is based on. Alongside our core words are our emblems: a book (due to our passion for reading), a coal cart (to represent our mining heritage and background of hard work), and hands of friendship (to echo respect, tolerance and valuing others).

Whilst we follow the National Curriculum, we are committed to all children having broad experiences that go beyond what is required so that our children are not just prepared for the next phase of their education, but leave us with some life-long passions and interests and an understanding of available opportunities.

This means that we invest heavily in resources that we think are key to our children having success such as having access to musical instruments, a chrome book which they can take home, termly cooking as well as a specialist Spanish teacher. We also aim to provide children with opportunities to visit places that they may not otherwise experience such art galleries, museums and historical visits such as Lindisfarne or Eden Camp.

Personal Development is at the heart of our school and is woven into everything that we do. This includes learning about fundamental British values and how to develop strength of character. Our PSHE curriculum encourages, adopts and embeds a range of skills, knowledge and traits that allow children to be life-long learners.



# Daisy Nursery

The Daisy Nursery has an excellent, well-established timetable of weekly activities such as: Musical Monday, Tasty Tuesday, Woodland Wednesday, Thoughtful Thursday, Story Maker Friday, and every activity is enhanced by each individual child's interest.

Staff complete meticulous observations of children in their play which allows the passionate and dedicated team to plan exciting and stimulating activities which cater for all, allowing the children to achieve their full potential.

The happy Daisies bring a lot of joy around school too as they often share their own cooked delights, beautiful arts and crafts or woodwork products with other staff in school. They love to spread their happiness to others. Daisies are never happier than cooking around their campfire. They know exactly how to risk assess and be safe in school too.

At Shiremoor Primary School we believe a good education starts with strong foundations. Children in the Daisy Nursery receive daily, structured, small group phonics and number sessions as well as engaging in continuous provision led by core stories, topical ideas and the children's interests. Children make strong academic progress so that they are well-prepared for the next steps in their journey.

Parents are also very complimentary about the amazing progress they make with phonics, letter and number recognition and across all areas of learning.

"My child has grown in confidence since starting Nursery, particularly his language and communication. He looks forward to coming into school every day and is always eager to share what he has learned!"



"My child loves learning about the great outdoors and thoroughly enjoys time looking at insects and trying to spot the birds."

# Reception

In Reception, we continue to build on the rich experiences that the children have received in our Nursery. Teachers plan and deliver engaging lessons which give children the skills to become independent, self-motivated learners who are ready for Year 1 and embrace future challenges.

Ensuring children gain their basic skills is of great importance to us in Reception so that children can have secure foundations for the rest of school life.

Children begin each day with a Big Maths lesson. They then take part in an engaging phonics lesson following a programme called Read Write Inc.

In the afternoons the children learn through a continuous provision setting both inside and out. Lessons are planned around core stories and specific topics which lend themselves to creative learning and understanding of our world. Children will take part in P.E. lessons in the hall and outdoors each week.

At Shiremoor we recognise the importance of parental involvement and hope to build strong relationships with parents. Parents can see our learning on 'X' and can also come to some of our learning sessions and activities to join in the fun.

"His confidence is growing all of the time!"



"My daughter loves reading and enjoys books even if she can not read all of the words yet!"

# Contact Us:



## Contact Details

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## Complaints

Our Complaints policy can be found and downloaded from  
<https://shiremoor-primary.co.uk/parents/policies/>





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We will look forward to  
meeting you soon!

From all at  
Shiremoor Primary School

