



*Love Life,
Love Learning,
Grow in Faith.*

Imagine a special place for us to explore ourselves and the world that we live in. A school in which all the adults: want everybody to recognise that they are unique, special and blessed with many gifts; and want everybody to do their best.

Sense the buzz of excitement as we learn, share, are challenged and as we succeed. Listen to our laughter and our voices as we care for, help and praise one another. Walk around and see lots of different activities that involve our school family, our church and people from our community. Watch us play, sing, dance, paint, throw, investigate, reflect, solve, read, compose, discuss, explore..... Experience our creative school enhanced by the latest technology.

Enjoy the energy with which we work in pairs, teams and alone. Experience the infectious spirit and excitement as we discover, understand and grow - always wanting to learn more. Look at how well we communicate and tackle problems. Notice how we become more independent, have our own ideas, make our own decisions and have the confidence to take risks. Be enthused as we learn all about ourselves and the world around us. Marvel at our achievements. Feel the warmth of God's love and the presence of God's spirit in all that we do - big and small.

This is our school: A place where everyone is special; a place to encounter God; a celebration of life and learning and a centre for new beginnings, built on strong foundations.

Our School



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Linby-cum-Papplewick C.E. (Aided) Primary School
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GROUP 1 - PUPIL CAPACITY 119 (N.O.R.103)

The villages of Linby and Papplewick are situated some 8 miles north of Nottingham, close to the town of Hucknall. Most of the parish of Linby cum Papplewick, is rural/residential in character, lying on the edge of Sherwood Forest.

The school is a CLASP building, erected in 1968 to replace the old school. It is situated on the edge of the village, surrounded by fields and gardens. It has a rural play area with a playing field, hard surface play areas, covered area, a wooded area, seating and a separate key stage one outdoor work area – part covered. There is one small school hall used for worship, P.E., lunches etc., 4 classrooms (R/Y1, Y1/2, Y3/4, Y5/6), and two additional teaching rooms for group and individual work.

| <i>Class</i> | <i>Year Group</i> | <i>Number</i> |
|--------------|-------------------|---------------|
| Ash | R & 1 | 20 |
| Elm | 1 & 2 | 27 |
| Fir | 3 & 4 | 25 |
| Oak | 5 & 6 | 31 |
| | <i>Total</i> | <i>103</i> |

There is no nursery provision. The children visit our school for 4 afternoons in the summer before they start.

The school intake is varied - at present approximately a quarter of the children come from the villages of Linby and Papplewick, the rest choosing to come to the school from the nearby estates of Hucknall and surrounding area. The school therefore has an interesting mix of children living in rural and urban areas. The school is commonly oversubscribed.

Many of the children (approx 2/3rds) come from Papplewick Preschool to our school in Reception. Most of the children move to National Academy at the end of year 6 – we work closely with the National Academy on a number of transition initiatives.

The teaching staff at present comprise of the Head Teacher (SENCO), 2 full time teachers, 4 part-time teachers, 6 teaching assistants (2 full time, 3 x 0.7, 1x 0.6). The non-teaching staff comprises a classroom assistant (part time), finance & office administrator (part time) & clerical assistant, site manager, cleaner and 4 midday supervisors. We also have a large number of volunteers (trainee teaching assistants, parents and community volunteers) who help on a regular basis – in class, with after school and lunchtime clubs, and with resources/fundraising activities.

The school enjoys very close links with the parents who are welcome at all times and encouraged to become partners in the education process. Links with the local community and Parish Church are strong. The Rector of the Parish is a school Governor.

The school has links with all the schools in Hucknall and occasionally joins with them for Inset days. We are able to provide wrap around care for our children through a partnership with local child care providers.

26% of the children are on the special needs register. 4% of children who have free school meals.

The school sets high standards for behaviour and reviews rules annually with the children who have a behaviour contract to sign.

Parental expectations are high and the school works hard to achieve high standards.

There is a broad range of extra curricular activities & clubs including prayer club, lego engineers, choir, crafts, hockey, basketball, football, tennis, table tennis, cricket and dance. The school also provides peripatetic piano & ukulele.

The day-to-day smooth running of the school depends on having a staff who can work together sharing ideas and practice. The Governors value highly the contributions all staff make, are very encouraging and supportive, and take an active part in the life of the school.