



Clarendon Cottage Preparatory School

Small School. Big Expectations



“Pupils are tolerant young people, accepting each other gladly and flourishing in the harmonious school community” – ISI 2016

Clarendon Cottage Preparatory School is a small school committed to delivering a thoroughly modern and creative curriculum through traditional values and practice. We offer parents a striking and imaginative alternative to other schools, where our children flourish as individuals within our close knit school family. High expectations are placed on good conduct, politeness, courtesy, honesty and respect which helps create a happy, constructive and well-disciplined environment where all children thrive.

Established in 1991, the school has maintained an excellent track record of academic achievement; with children consistently passing entry exams for top Grammar Schools and the Trafford 11+. Excellent teaching underpins all that we do, and children benefit from our teachers’ creativity and dedication ensuring that learning is always engaging, motivating and inspirational.



“Welcome to Clarendon Cottage Prep School. We are a small, friendly independent preparatory school with high expectations”

Miss E Bagnall, Head

Welcome to Clarendon Cottage Preparatory School

Our challenging curriculum and holistic approach to your child’s development will nurture them both academically and socially to ensure that they achieve their very best and are well prepared to tackle the next stage in their education and future. Children are encouraged to play positive roles in the school community and learn to respect others and their feelings. Pupils take on

community responsibilities such as being a prefect, a member of the student council or a playground buddy. Community achievement is always recognised and celebrated within our weekly school assemblies where children receive house points, merit certificates and badges for examples of exemplary achievement and conduct.



“Pupils’ achievements are excellent and they develop highly positive attitudes towards their studies” – ISI 2016



“The quality of pupils’ personal development is excellent, pupils demonstrate tolerance and kindness, behaving with courtesy and respect towards each other” – ISI 2016

Creativity is at the core of our curriculum and something we see as an invaluable skill to nurture and develop. Our cross-curricular teaching allows us to incorporate creative thinking and expression into all of our subjects. The traditional creative outlets of art, music, dance, drama are used extensively throughout the school so children can gain confidence and express their different feelings and emotions. Drama is a real strength of our school, with each child performing in two drama productions a year in front of our parents. By the time our children reach the Juniors they participate in our very successful Summer production staged at a local venue.

Alongside the traditional arts we also ensure that creativity underpins our approach to the more academic subjects. With a dynamic computing curriculum, a maths mastery approach and regular STEAM (previously known as STEM) days, we ensure that all of our children are encouraged to think outside

of the box whatever their favoured subject is. All children also have the opportunity to pursue music by learning how to play an instrument with one of our excellent music teachers.

Sport is an area where our children can excel, gain confidence and develop self-esteem. It also allows our children to develop lifelong skills such as team work and resilience as well as providing the tools for leading a healthy life style.

For a small school we take sports very seriously and all children receive the opportunity to represent their school. We compete with other Independent and local authority schools across a wide range of sports and have won trophies and medals throughout the years. Our teams are always known for their determination, commitment and sportsmanship.



“Pupils are particularly successful in regional arts, textiles and national photography competitions.”



“My daughter has loved her time at Clarendon Cottage Prep School, they have amazing teachers who have nurtured & supported her.”

The school is, at its heart, a welcoming family community. Excellent relationships between parents, children and staff creates a supportive environment for all. We have an active PTA who play an important role in school life, they have organised and ran several successful events, which represent a great way to meet other parents and get involved. Clarendon Cottage offers full wrap around care as well as a bright and fun holiday club service. A family discount is available for qualifying parents with children in our school and or nursery.

The school provides a range of activity clubs for all interests. We ensure that the clubs on offer reflect excellent variety whilst reflecting the interests of our pupils. Interest and hobby clubs are usually free, whereas certain clubs, which require specialist tuition, are charged at a cost.

An annual residential is also offered to our Junior children where they are given the opportunity to develop their outdoor education. Children partake in an exciting range of adventure pursuits whilst developing their independence and self-belief ahead of their transition to Secondary Education. These trips are a firm favourite for all our children and are talked about long after they are over.





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