

What parents say are strengths of the school

- My child is so happy at this school’.
 - ‘The teachers and staff are brilliant, approachable and always willing to help’;
 - ‘ My child is safe, looked after and encouraged to be the best they can be’.
 - ‘All the parents who responded to the Parent View online survey agreed that they would recommend the school to another parent’.
- (Ofsted, January 2019)



What pupils like about the school

‘Having loads of friends and lots of fun’; ‘Learning new things’; ‘ Group Challenge’; ‘Doing lots of active things’; ‘arts and crafts’; ‘lunchtimes’; ‘the climbing frame and playground’; ‘ the USport people at playtime’; ‘there’s lots of space’; ‘I am happy at school’; ‘the Science garden’; ‘the rabbits’; ‘Tom and Jerry the guinea pigs’; ‘Everything!’

Open Mornings

Open Mornings are usually held from 9.30 am on the first Thursday of each month in school term time. Appointments can be made at other times. There is a talk by the Headteacher, followed by a tour of the school and an opportunity to ask questions. Please contact the school office to arrange an appointment.

Our vision

Within our historic school we build upon the best of tradition combined with a modern approach. As a core part of the community, we provide a safe and healthy learning environment. We develop active learning through a fun, inspiring and challenging curriculum. We promote equal opportunities, valuing the skills and contributions of all individuals in our school. We encourage our children to become caring, responsible citizens, respecting all others through self discipline and kindness.

Shinfield Infant and Nursery School is located on the outskirts of Reading, within Wokingham Borough Council, and is a feeder school for Shinfield St. Mary’s CE Junior School.

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Shinfield Infant and Nursery School



Welcome to our school 2020-2021



‘Everyone shining in their own field’

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What we offer to you and your child

- A welcoming, safe and happy environment in which each child is known and valued as an individual
- Enthusiastic teachers and support staff
- High quality teaching and learning
- An interesting, varied approach to learning that is hands-on, fun, lively and challenging
- High expectations and positive reinforcement of good learning behaviour
- Commitment to equal opportunities
- Opportunities to have responsibilities in school, such as School Council
- Supportive and proactive Local Advisors as part of The Circle Trust
- Attractive teaching areas including a spacious hall and children's kitchen
- Regular communication with parents
- Well-resourced outdoor learning areas
- A friendly, successful and active PTA
- A range of enrichment activities in and out of school hours
- After school and breakfast clubs on site
- Specialist music lessons
- Parent Support advisor
- Close links with local community groups and participation in local and national activities



Ofsted report January 2019

'The school remains good'; 'Parents and carers are overwhelmingly positive about the school'; 'The school is an integral part of Shinfield community life'; 'Children are active and independent learners'; 'Children make strong progress in Early Years'; 'Leaders ensure the school ethos is inclusive'; 'The school has a strong safeguarding culture'. The full report can be found at [www.ofsted](http://www.ofsted.gov.uk)

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Early Years Foundation Stage

The Foundation Stage area comprises four large classrooms, small group rooms and spacious outdoor play areas. Children are admitted to the Foundation 1 (Nursery) class from the age of three. They start in the full time Foundation 2 (Reception) class in the academic year that they turn five. We offer a number of 30-hour Nursery places to children whose parents are eligible for this funding.

Trips and visitors

Recent trips have been to Winchester Planetarium, St Mary's Church in Shinfield, Bekonscot Model Village, Wisley gardens and Bucklebury Farm Park. We regularly take walks in the local SANG. Visitors to school include a farm, Zoolab, sports coaches, dance specialists, theatre groups, musicians, artists and writers. We also have close links with local community groups and establishments.



School Clubs

These include Capoeira, Multisports, Street Dance, football and a school choir. The school also has access to an excellent holiday club for both the Shinfield Infant and Junior schools.

Charging and Remissions Policy

We operate an Activity Fund for which termly or yearly voluntary contributions can be made for school activities and trips. We offer online payment and appointment booking facilities for parents.



Transition to Junior School

We have a close working partnership with Shinfield St Mary's CE Junior School. This includes a joint Governor/Local Advisor group, subject leader liaison, joint school policies and regular visits between children and staff. Effective transition provides excellent continuity of education in Shinfield village for your child throughout their primary school years.

High Standards

We strive to bring out the best in each child, and encourage him or her to make the most of his or her individual skills and talents. Your child's welfare and well-being are very important to us. In this school each person is a part of a caring and sharing community. Support is good for pupils with special educational needs and disabilities, and there are very good links to outside agencies so that specialist support is provided when necessary. Please see the school website for details of our Local Offer. We promote equal opportunities for all and are committed to the safeguarding of pupils.

