#### About Us: We pride ourselves on making sure that every child receives the highest standard of education, care and support. Mossley is a family!

#### **GET IN TOUCH**

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## MOSSLEY C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL

'They shall have life, life in all its fullness' (John 10:10)

# Welcome to Mossley C.E. Primary School

At Mossley, we maintain that every child matters and every child is unique. We believe that from the minute your child first enters the school, to the day they leave at the end of Year 6, we will cater for your child's needs academically, socially, morally, emotionally and physically.

We tailor the creative curriculum to be relevant to your child, providing opportunities that will excite them and extend their learning. At Mossley C.E. Primary School we create a positive environment where your child can thrive and develop, making sure that learning is fun! Our caring and inclusive Christian ethos ensures that all children feel valued at all times.

Helen Harrison Headteacher





## Reception - the first steps

Every journey must start with a first step and at Mossley C.E. Primary School, we strive to ensure that your child's first step will be a happy and successful one.

We have a team of highly trained, enthusiastic and caring individuals who are dedicated to encouraging a love of learning through fun and challenging activities. We work together seamlessly to ensure that our pupils feel safe, happy and inspired to strive for excellence.

As described by Ofsted: "Pupils are happy at Mossley Church of England Primary School. They respect each other and the staff. They embrace the school's Christian ethos. Pupils told us that they always feel safe and that they love coming to school. They know that staff care about them. Behaviour, including in early years, is exemplary."

# Your Child's Journey





As well as academic progress, the children enjoy a vast range of extracurricular opportunities which build on their skills, as well as those of our extremely talented staff. We believe in providing for the 'whole child' and create opportunities for everyone to contribute to the school's success, whatever their strengths. We are proud of our sporting achievements and the competition both within and outside school.

# The Next Steps

As a school, we make sure that all children have equal opportunities and we work together as a whole staff to ensure that every child is given the chance to thrive. We regularly meet to discuss the children's work and carefully analyse and track their academic progress to ensure that they are always moving forward and have goals for the future. We continue to develop and strive to be the best of ourselves.



# Broader Horizons

## Learning, fun and growing up

At Mossley C.E. Primary School, we are committed to the development and care of all our children. We believe passionately that if we are nurturing, open, honest and sympathetic role models, then our children will develop the same positive attributes.

We provide many opportunities within and beyond the curriculum to ensure that our pupils' spiritual, social and moral development is outstanding.

We also involve our children in some of the decision making processes within the school as part of our School Council. The School Council has introduced many positive initiatives over the years including updates to the school grounds, a refreshed lunch time menu and support for charities. These programmes allow the children to demonstrate their maturity, creativity and compassion on a regular basis.

In addition to the School Council, our Worship Council helps to promote our Christian vision, and is responsible for leading class prayer.

We also provide residential experiences for Years 2, 4 and 6, with the latter enjoying five nights away in Holland.





### Preparation for high school

We don't believe that your child's learning journey concludes at the end of Year 6. We work effectively with all of the local high schools to ensure that your child's progression from one school to another is seamless.



Through our exceptional relationships with outside agencies, we have a proven track record in obtaining help and support when children need it. We are part of the Congleton Education Community Partnership which provides services to all children in Congleton when the need arises.



Our aim is to make sure that when the children leave us they have the necessary confidence, social skills and academic ability to take on whatever challenges await them at high school. We are confident in the knowledge that the opportunities we have provided them with during their time at Mossley, will ensure that the bonds of friendship and citizenship that they have made will stay with them throughout their lives.





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#### Please ensure your child is wearing the correct school uniform.

#### WINTER UNIFORM: October – April (dependent upon weather)

**Reception Children:** Grey school trousers, white polo shirt (with school logo on), royal blue V-neck jumper (with school logo on), black shoes. Grey skirt/grey pinafore dress/grey trousers, white polo shirt (with school logo on), royal blue cardigan (with school logo on), black shoes.

#### Year 1 Upwards: Grey school trousers, white shirt (not a polo shirt), royal blue V-neck jumper (with school logo on), school tie, black shoes. Grey skirt/grey pinafore dress/grey trousers, white blouse (not a polo shirt), royal blue cardigan (with school logo on) school tie, black shoes.

#### SUMMER UNIFORM: April – early October (dependent upon weather)

Grey school shorts/trousers, white polo shirt (with school logo on), royal blue V-neck jumper (with school logo on), black shoes. Blue/yellow check summer dress, royal blue cardigan (with school logo on), black shoes.

PE KITRoyal blue t-shirt with House emblem<br/>Royal blue shorts<br/>Trainers (Velcro, if your child is not able to tie their own shoe lace)<br/>Warm sweat top/royal blue school hoodie with initials<br/>Jogging bottoms (blue/grey)

All uniform is available to buy through our supplier, DP Sportswear LTD, located on Bromley Road.

All clothing (indoor and outdoor) must be **named**, including gloves, scarves and a hat in winter. Children are **not** to wear jewellery (except for single stud earrings, although these cannot be worn during PE). It is advisable for children with long hair to have it tied back.



# In School

- Children need to be able to go to the toilet by themselves and wash their hands afterwards.
- Children are expected to be able to put their own coat on, take it off and turn it the right way round if required. It helps if they have some ability to fasten their coat.
- Children must not bring toys to school unless specifically asked to by the teacher.
- During the summer term please make sure that children bring a named sun hat to school in warm weather and have sun screen applied before coming to school when necessary.



#### School meals

School meals are available to all children. Menu choices differ daily and are selected through our online booking system, ParentPay. They are charged at £2.50 and include a drink, main meal and dessert (all children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are eligible for universal free school meals). If your child chooses to bring a packed lunch from home, please ensure that their lunch boxes and water bottles are labelled.

Children may bring a snack for morning break. We would encourage you to only provide a healthy snack. It must be kept in their school bag or coat pocket and not in their lunch box. Please note that children do not have to bring a snack for morning break.

#### Nut free

We are a nut free school due to children with severe allergies. Therefore, please ensure that your child does not bring any nut products into school with them.

#### **Allergies**

If your child has an allergy please ensure that you inform us so we can let you know the next steps.



#### **Medicines**

Any medicines which have been prescribed and need to be administered during the day must come to the school office on a daily basis. Parents must fill in a form, available from the office, that provides information on the medicine and dosage etc. Medicines must **never** be kept in classrooms or cloakrooms, (the only exception to this may be asthma inhalers). An adult must bring and collect the medicine from the office.

#### **Medical needs**

Please discuss any medical needs with our SEND Co who, together with yourself, will draw up a medical care plan.

#### Home time

Children in Reception will not be allowed to leave the Reception area until a nominated adult is there to collect them. Please let the school know if your child is collected by a childminder or other adult. Please make sure your child is aware of who will be collecting them

We do encourage independence from Year 3 and above and would expect the children in these years to enter the school gates unchaperoned.

#### **Family Liaison Officer**

If your family require a little extra support in anyway, contact our Family Liaison Officer who will be happy to assist.

#### <u>PTA</u>

We are always looking to raise funds at different fun events for school. If you are able to help and would like to join our PTA in any role then please let us know.







### School milk

Free milk is available for all children aged under five in school, funded by the UK government.

In our school, this milk is provided by Cool Milk, the UK's leading school milk supplier.

We will register your child for their free school milk on your behalf by providing Cool Milk with your child's name and date of birth.

Shortly before your child turns five, you will be offered the opportunity to pay a subsidised rate for your child to continue to receive milk.

All information handled by the Cool Milk group is processed in accordance with the Data Protection Act 1998. All personal information is securely stored on Cool Milk's UK servers, and is never passed on to third parties without your permission.

Please let us know if you would prefer us not to register your child for free school milk.



### Free school meals

The Council provides two types of free school meals to children attending a school within the Cheshire East Borough.

#### Free school meals for infants

Children at school and in Reception class, Year 1 or Year 2 (KS1) can have free school meals. This is called universal infant free school meals (UIFSM). You don't need to claim for UIFSM.

#### Income related free school meals (IRFSM)

You can claim free school meals for each child who attends school in Cheshire East if you receive one of these benefits:

- Income Support
- Income based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income related Employment Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of State Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit as long as you have a yearly household income of less than £16,190 (as assessed by HM Revenue and Customs) and do not get Working
  Tax Credit
- Working Tax Credit run-on (paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit)
- Universal Credit with no earned income or with net monthly earnings less than £616.67

This is also applicable to nursery-age children if they attend before and after lunch sessions at a local authority nursery school or nursery class.

If you receive one of the qualifying benefits listed under Income related free school meals we suggest you do make a claim even if your child is in key stage 1 as the school can claim additional funding (pupil premium) for new equipment and resources.

If you are eligible for Free School Meals through benefits, you STILL need to apply to Cheshire East Council (03001235012) as additional funding is received which helps with educational needs i.e. trips, residential visits and extra help in school.







### Our Mossley School on-site wraparound childcare provision.

FABS is run by our fantastic Mossley staff who your children will be familiar with. All income generated from FABS goes directly back into supporting our school and therefore benefiting your child.

We are open all year round except for one week at Christmas.

Our term time morning sessions begin at 7.15am where the children can enjoy a selection of breakfast options before beginning their school day. Our term time after school sessions finish at 6pm (children can be collected anytime from school finishing up until 6pm). Don't worry about hunger as plenty of snacks are available and an evening meal is included too.

Our holiday clubs offer a wide variety of activities including trips, event days, arts and crafts and lots and lots of fun! Meals and snacks are all included within the price. Our days start at 7.15am right up until 6pm. Half days are also available, should you only require five hours of childcare.

Regular or one-off sessions can be booked - whichever suits your requirements.

We offer a 10% discount for siblings. All childcare vouchers are accepted.

All children are welcome, from pre-school all the way up to Year 6, and we offer a wide selection of activities to keep all ages entertained.

Email <u>office@mossleyce.Cheshire.sch.uk</u> for any queries. Bookings made via ParentPay (our online payment system).





