

# Market Harborough Church of England Academy

Growing together in God's love



## Our School



Rated Good by Ofsted  
July 2019



First School in the UK to be  
awarded the Woodland Trust  
Gold Plaque



Forest School Accredited



Gold Winner in 2019  
Best School Garden 2019  
Best School Wildlife Garden 2019



The only Fairtrade Primary  
School in Market Harborough



Proud to be an eco-school

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Welcome to Market Harborough C of E Academy. We hope you enjoy your visit to our school.

Market Harborough C of E Academy is proud to be part of the Learn Academies Trust [Learn-AT] and benefits from working collaboratively with other trust schools, sharing best practice and resources to ensure we are able to provide our children with a range of opportunities.

At C of E, we believe in the power of learning to transform all our children's life chances. What we teach them now will affect eternity and that is why their education is so important.

Through our knowledge-rich, coherent and detailed curriculum, and strong sports and creative arts provisions, we aim to equip our children with the knowledge, skills and personal characteristics which will help to ensure they can live life in all its fullness and make a positive contribution to the communities they serve. We encourage our children to be confident lifelong learners, ready to meet the challenges of life in our modern world.

Our aim is to cherish all those who walk through our doors and, in turn, encourage each of us to 'love our neighbours as ourselves'. Our desire is for every child to leave C of E with our school values engraved on their hearts; knowing that everyone is important and seeing their uniqueness as a gift. We want our children to know that they can make a difference to our world and be a hope for humanity.

We all believe that Market Harborough C of E Academy is a very special place to be. We have an amazing team of staff and our pupils are engaged and enthusiastic learners. We are proud of all we have to offer. Thank you for visiting us.



Throughout our curriculum we weave our **Golden Threads**.  
These threads are the heart of what makes our school special.

- A community of learners
- Passionate speakers, passionate readers
- Walking in the ways of Jesus
- Hope for humanity
- Stewards of the earth



# Our School Values

The beating heart  
of our school  
guiding us in our everyday lives

# Service and Relationship



# Generosity and Thankfulness



# Respect and Dignity



# Courage and Perseverance



# Forgiveness and Compassion



# Hope and Trust



# Our school

## **We offer:**

- a dedicated and experienced EYFS (Early Years Foundation Stage) team to support you and your child in their first year
- the highest quality learning experiences for all children through our newly developed exciting curriculum
- a school where children leave in Year 6 having made strong progress compared to schools nationally
- specialist teaching in music where amongst other things all children learn to play the ukulele
- specialist PE teaching with our own Sports Coach
- Spanish lessons for all Key Stage 2 children
- a newly created ICT Suite with touch screen computers
- a woodland-themed, well-stocked library
- a fantastic teaching and learning space including playing fields and our very own nature garden
- a wonderful Forest School Site, our very own outdoor learning space where children have a chance to get back to nature: cooking, den making, having fun and getting very muddy!

# Our school (continued)

## **We offer:**

- a dedicated SENCO and team, the services of our own Speech & Language Therapist and access to our own Educational Psychologist
- a dedicated Pastoral Leader, there for you, to support you and your child. Concerns we have helped with include anxiety, toileting, and how to tackle homework
- a warm, friendly PTA who would welcome your involvement in helping to support the school
- delicious, healthy meals cooked on the premises using fresh local produce where possible. Don't forget every child in EYFS, Year 1 and Year 2 is entitled to a free school meal
- wraparound care:
  - Breakfast Club from 7.30am, serving a range of cereals, toast, pastries, fruit and yoghurts
  - After School Club from 3.15pm—4.30pm, offering a range of sporting or creative activities or a relaxing chillax session
  - Teatime Club from 4.30pm—5.30pm, where a light [buffet] tea is served

# How to apply

Market Harborough C of E Academy is a non-selective Church of England School but where the Local Authority (Leicestershire County Council) controls admissions. If you would like to apply for a place in our school and you live in Leicestershire, the first step is to fill in a Leicestershire schools' admission application form. An easy way to apply is online at [www.leics.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.leics.gov.uk/admissions).

An application for a place in a primary school must be made to the Local Authority where you live. For example, if you live in Northamptonshire, you must still complete the Northamptonshire application form even if you intend to apply for a Leicestershire primary school place.

Our planned admission number for first time admissions (to start school in EYFS) is 60 pupils per year group.

We have a comprehensive induction programme for children starting EYFS, which includes:

- visits by our staff to see the children in their pre-school setting
- an information presentation evening to parents
- an informal 'getting to know you' tea party and opportunity for a 'taster' lunch for children and parents
- a series of taster sessions in school for the children, and
- an information booklet for children and parents to share



# Learn Academies Trust

Market Harborough C of E Academy is one of the original members of Learn Academies Trust, formed in August 2016 by a collaboration of community primary schools who wanted to work more closely together.

As part of the Trust, we are all committed to building a forward-thinking, professional learning community, committed to working together in the service of local children and families. We are dedicated to the development of excellence in learning, both for the pupils and for the adults who serve and teach them. Learn-AT believe wholeheartedly that flourishing and engaged pupils require and deserve flourishing and engaged adults, able to work on their behalf at the cutting edge of evidence-informed practice. For this reason we put a strong emphasis on the development of high-quality and effective professional learning for our staff.



[www.learn-at.org.uk](http://www.learn-at.org.uk)



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