

Tour of School



The Hall

We have PE, drama and assemblies in here. Our assemblies are for people of all faiths and none. We also have our dinner here and people on school dinners and packed lunches can sit together. Sometimes when it is nice the school dinners have a picnic lunch and we all sit outside. Some after school clubs like drama and sports meet in here too.

Ms Virgin's Art

Ms Virgin is an artist who teaches Y2, 3, 4, 5 and 6. We do art in lessons but we also have an after school club for art and also textiles or clay.

Y6

Our oldest children have lots of jobs and responsibilities around school and in Y6 there is a residential to Robinwood Activity Centre. (The governors help with costs for families where it is tricky to pay for trips.) We work hard to prepare the children for High School both socially and in their learning.

Y5 and Chrome Books

In Y4 we learn how to use Google Classroom, Flipgrid and other computing tools which we can then carry on using for the rest of KS2. (Year 2 upwards have been using Google Classroom when we were at home in lockdown.) Mr Marshall also runs our football teams.

Music Room

You can have instrument lessons here (see the list on the board) and groups and classes use it for music, drama and art. All of Y4 learn to play the djembe drum.

Quad/ Courtyard

A previous Year 6 worked with Mrs Dickinson to turn this area into a great outdoor part of the library and they all sign their names on a leaf when they leave. Sometimes we use it as an outdoor classroom and lunch hall extension.

Y4

One set of the Chrome Books is kept in this classroom. Our residential is to Lineham Farm. We have a lunchtime Eco Club.

Library

This is our library that children helped to design! Janie Percy-Smith runs our library and all the classes come in here to change their books, which you can take home. We have lots of books on all different sorts of topics and for every reading level and age. Book club and newspaper club meet here and there is space for people to come and work in small groups.

Cook It Kitchen

Miss Corner and Mrs Strange take groups of children here to do cooking. They cook things that we grow sometimes.

ICT/ Computing, Chrome Books, etc.

Every class has an Interactive Whiteboard and a visualiser. We can borrow the three trolleys of Chrome Books so we can use computers just like you would use pens and pencils in class.

Y3

Y3 do Forest School every week. They mostly go to The Ridge. Mr Martin also coaches the rugby teams.

Community Room

Acorn Club is the breakfast and after School Club that is at our school. The staff who work there know the children because they also work in classes. The children eat, do crafts and play indoors and outside.

We use this room for **philosophy** too. Philosophy helps us ask and answer questions. We work with Leeds University to do philosophy, although this is paused at the moment. This is where our lunchtime Lego Club meets.

Intervention Area

Mrs Hill is an expert in helping children with their maths and English. We use multisensory maths to make sure children are really confident with their numbers and talking about maths. She works with parents too on fun things to do at home to help with learning. Children might work here 1:1 or in a small group. Sometimes Mrs Hill works with children who are ready to learn at greater depth so that they can go on to trickier problems and work more quickly.

Y2

In KS1 the children still do quite a lot of their learning through play but they get help from the teacher to be really good at reading, writing and maths as well as all the other subjects. Ms Barley is teaching the teachers about Zones of Regulation. Y2 have an intensive swimming course in the summer term, before swimming lessons every week in Year 3.

Year 1 and 2 shared area

In Y1/2 the children can play with sand and water and have a role play area linked to their topic, like a campervan for Home Sweet Home.

Water fountains, milk and fruit

Children can bring a water bottle in to school and fill it up with nice cold water to drink throughout the day. In KS1 the children can have milk and fruit every day.

Conservatory/ Reading Room

Children come in here to learn to be better readers and to change their reading books.

Y1 (and outside area)

Children get used to Y1 when they come up from Reception because the teachers still let them do lots of choosing how they learn and play and then gradually change the classroom when the children are ready. They have their own outside area which they use for all sorts of lessons.

The Playground

Children meet their teacher on the class circle in the morning. We have ball games on the pitch, boxes of equipment, chalks, basketball and other activities at playtime and lunchtimes. We have a Scrap Shed for making things from reclaimed materials like tyres. We have a buddy bench for children who are feeling a bit left out so that somebody comes and plays with them. House Team Captains in Y6 help us if we fall out or don't know what to play.

Reception class (and outside area)

Ms Dalton and the other staff help children to learn how to be at school by making sure there are lots of fun learning activities to choose from and then helping them to understand what they are learning. Children learn to sit together on the carpet to share books and sing songs and number rhymes. They do learn to sit at a table and work with an adult but they spend most of their day being busy in all the areas, especially outside.

Pre-school and Children's Centre

Pre-school is a private nursery, although a lot of little brothers and sisters go there and they work with Reception and the Children's Centre on things like the curriculum.

The Children's Centre is for children who are 0-5. They have lots of free groups and activities there and Family Outreach Workers who can help with advice and benefits, etc. (Their building is going to be replaced with a new one so right now they are meeting in other places in Headingley.)

Fire Circle

Our school uses Forest School techniques to help children to learn outdoors and become very responsible. A previous Y6 class made this circle themselves with the tools they had been taught to use. Classes can come and do lessons here.

Nature Garden

We have bug hotels and feeders in here to encourage wildlife and a hide to watch them through. Children have to be with an adult to come in here.

Kitchen Garden, bike racks and Headingley Community Orchard

Children throughout school get the chance to grow food and cook with it. We also plant flowers and fruit trees with people from the community. You can cycle or scoot to school.

Front door and office

Visitors come this way to get buzzed into school. They have to be signed in and wear a badge so we know who they are. Mrs Vollans is our bursar/administrator. She helps with the school budget and she is also one of our first aiders who can help if we feel unwell or hurt ourselves and rings home if we need someone to come and collect us. Mrs Koyuncu does a variety of jobs which include collecting dinner money, sorting out music lessons and organising dinners for school trips.

School Council

This is the board of our School Councillors. There is a chairperson in Y6 and a vice-chair in Y5 who is learning to do the job. They help with interviewing for new staff and make decisions about how school should be run. Every class has Class Council meetings which decide what their School Councillors should say on their behalf.

Worry Box

There are lots of adults in school who can help if things aren't going right, but if you can't get it sorted out or something else is bothering you then you can put a note in the Worry Box and Mr Nash will come and help you sort things out. Acorn Club and classrooms have their own worry boxes too.

Support room

Mr Nash provides mentoring and family support. He helps children when they are finding things at school or at home tricky and he can work with parents and carers too to make sure all our children are happy and doing their best at school. He trains Peer Mediators and also runs courses for parents. Mr Nash helps children to make good choices so that they can learn well and so can their classmates. He is on the playground most mornings so that parents can talk to him.

Mrs Maver and Mrs Mitchell's office

Mrs Maver is the Deputy Head. She teaches in almost every class so that she knows the children. She takes the SuperStar assembly once a week when we get certificates for good learning and good behaviour and find out which house team is in the lead. Mrs Mitchell is our SENCo (Special Educational Needs Coordinator.) She makes sure that we are good at supporting our children with SEN or disabilities and she also teaches across school.

Ms Devane's office

Ms Devane is our headteacher. She runs our school and talks to parents if they are worried about something. We can take good work to show her. Outside her office is good work that we are proud of.

House Teams

We are all in houses named after animals. We can earn house points for good learning and good behaviour and we take part in competitions between the houses. The older children look after the younger children in their houses. All the adults are in houses too. We use the house groups to let School Council know what we are thinking and to take part in House Team Hobby Half Days where we do projects about health and wellbeing, fair-trade, global issues, the environment or community, charity and enterprise.

Back to the hall

Thank you for coming on our tour. Please ask us if you have any questions. We will get a grown up if we don't know the answers.