

Hotham Primary School

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Welcome to Our School

Limitless opportunities for every child to aspire and succeed

A Warm Welcome to Hotham

Bienvenue à Hotham



Hotham is a dynamic and creative community school in the heart of Putney, where pupils and staff work exceptionally well together. Visitors to the school never fail to mention the happiness of our children and the welcome they receive from our staff. I am incredibly proud to be leading this school.

At Hotham our vision is to provide limitless opportunities to our children to allow them to aspire and succeed. We achieve this through a broad, balanced and engaging curriculum, and by valuing positive social interaction and pupil wellbeing. Hotham is a truly inclusive community school, welcoming all pupils who join us from a range of diverse backgrounds.

A key word to life at Hotham is 'purpose'. We believe that children need to understand what they are learning, why they need to know it and to have the opportunity to apply their learning in meaningful ways. Our curriculum each term is designed around an essential question. Examples include, 'What did Darwin ever do for us?' and 'How can we bring space down to earth?' The success of our curriculum can be seen in the outcomes of our pupils: the work they produce is exceptional, and their academic achievements are routinely above national averages.

It is commonly said that education should prepare children for real life. We believe that our children are living real life already and we are proud to be giving our children opportunities to live this life to the fullest. We value an international outlook, and all children learn French from the minute they start our school, integrated into daily life to make it meaningful.

Our community is united around our core values of Respect, Responsibility and Resolve. These inform our decision-making and sit at the heart of everything we do. Since I joined the school, I have seen first-hand Hotham's strong sense of community and just how special this is: everyone is valued; diversity is celebrated. The school is very lucky to have committed staff and pupils, engaged parents, a supportive governing body, and an active PTA.

If you would like any more information or would be interested in visiting our school, I would strongly encourage you to get in touch with the school office. We are proud to show our school to visitors, and we are happy to run tours throughout the year for prospective parents.

With best wishes,

Richard Byrne-Smith
Headteacher



Our Facilities

The children at Hotham are very fortunate to have a large school site with excellent facilities, including:

- Large refurbished school building with airy classrooms;
- Sports hall;
- Separate Early Years playground;
- Woodland area with forest school;
- Two outdoor sports surfaces;
- Fully equipped music room;
- Media suite with green screen;
- Allotments and a pond;
- Well stocked library;
- Class sets of Chromebooks and iPads;
- Sensory cave;
- 'The Hub' for social and emotional support.



Sport and Wider Opportunities

While pupils at Hotham achieve well in English and Maths, we value learning in all its forms. We also have a specialist sports teacher who makes use of our extensive facilities, teaching PE across the school whilst co-ordinating teams and fixtures in all major sports. Our extra-curricular offer is large, with clubs including French, chess, STEM, robotics, nature, cookery, debating, creative writing and many more. Pupils represent the school locally and beyond – we recently held the borough trophy for boys' football, and our debating team participate in model UN competitions.

Key Facts

School type: Mainstream community school
Ofsted rating: Good, 2019
Reception places: 60 (two-form entry)
Nursery places: 26 (full-time/part-time available)
Breakfast club / After-school care: Available daily
Leavers' destinations: Ashcroft, Richmond Park Academy, St Cecilia's, Ark Putney, Tiffin, Holland Park, Epsom College, Kingston Grammar, Emanuel

Key Contacts

Headteacher: Richard Byrne-Smith
Deputy Head: Jenny Thomas
Assistant Head: Rebecca Oddy
SENCO: Kimberley Walker
Admissions: Emma Burley

How to Apply

Applications are processed by Wandsworth Borough Council. Information on how to apply can be found on their website. Alternatively, please get in touch with us and we will guide you through the process.

Getting in Touch

You can call us on 020 8788 6468 or email us at admissions@hotham.wandsworth.sch.uk

Alternatively, please pop in to the school and we will be only too happy to help.

To find out more, please visit our website: www.hothamprimaryschool.org.uk