



# Our School Prospectus

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# Welcome from our Head Teacher

“On behalf of the Governors, staff and pupils, I am delighted to welcome you to Lodge Farm Primary School. We are a wonderful school where children feel safe, happy and secure, and leave well-prepared for the next phase of their education.

All staff work hard to provide and deliver an engaging and innovative curriculum that inspires children and equips them with the skills, experience and confidence to achieve their best. We are committed to providing outstanding care and development for all our pupils and I am sure that your child will be very happy here.

I believe passionately that a trusting and positive partnership between home and school lies at the heart of a successful educational experience for your child. Throughout the year, we have many school activities that you are warmly invited to join us for, so that you can share experiences with your child as they grow at Lodge Farm.

“Welcome to the Lodge Farm family!”

**Natalie Boys**



# Aims & Mission Statement

## School Aims

Our aims for the children at Lodge Farm:

- Each child will develop fully to his or her potential by providing equality of opportunity throughout the curriculum.
- To provide skills and knowledge for the children to understand the world around us, and for use in adult life.
- Children will experience success in school and have positive attitudes about themselves. Children will become caring members of the society.



## Lodge Farm Primary School is part of SHINE Academies.

Our team of Directors are responsible for the strategic and financial management of the Multi-Academy-Trust (MAT). They are overseen by three elected Members, who have overall responsibility for the MAT. Directors and Members are governed by the Articles of Association that were adopted on conversion.



## Our School

We take pride in encouraging and enabling children to become positive, independent, confident and ambitious individuals in order to prepare them for the journey of life ahead. We are committed to delivering a rich, exciting, creative, broad and balanced curriculum incorporating a wide range of opportunities and experiences for all. Some of these include a wide range of free after school clubs, wrap around care, opportunities in music, sports and arts, family liaison support and lots, lots more!

## Little Farmers Nursery

We offer places for 2 and 3 year old children in our brand new facilities. We have both funded and paid places available. Our programme includes indoor and outdoor play, Early Talk programme, Forest School and cooking classes all with an experienced and dedicated Early Years team.

# What Makes Us Special?

We offer so much more than just a rounded education for your child. We provide a breadth of experiences to broaden our pupils' horizons, raise their aspirations and help them to develop into confident and mature young people who are well prepared to move to secondary school whilst making them feel safe and cared for.

We offer a wide range of free after school activities throughout the year, daily wrap around care at Breakfast and Lodgers afterschool clubs and access to many other extra-curricular day trip and residential experiences for all ages.



Ofsted reports "The school's work to promote pupils' personal development and welfare is outstanding."



# Our Curriculum

Children are set individual and realistic targets throughout the year and you will be updated regularly on your child's progress in school.

## English and Maths

It is the intention here at Lodge Farm, when teaching the English and Maths curriculum that our pupils acquire the necessary knowledge, skills and understanding to become lifelong learners and linguists. We strive to ensure that all our pupils receive a well-rounded learning experience when reading, writing, speaking and listening which will equip them with the fundamental tools to achieve in school and beyond. It is our intention to immerse pupils in the wonders of quality texts to instil a love for reading, a passion for discovery, and a confidence and understanding to apply their learning in their everyday experiences.

## Wider Curriculum

We teach a broad and balanced curriculum through a range of foundation subjects including humanities, DT and cooking, creative and performing arts, IT, PE and RE. Pupils in KS2 have weekly swimming lessons and have opportunities to learn a variety of musical instruments. We pride ourselves on the experiences we give our pupils including visits to London, Birmingham and the seaside alongside educational visits to the zoo, places of worship, theatres, museums and residential weeks.



# Special Educational Needs

## Vision

Lodge Farm Primary School adopts a 'whole school approach' to special educational needs. All staff work to ensure inclusion of all pupils. The school is committed to ensuring that pupils with special educational needs can fulfil their potential and achieve optimal educational outcomes.

## Mission Statement for our children with Special Educational Needs (SEN)

- **ENTHUSIASM:** Be enthusiastic, independent, life-long learners who achieve their full potential.
- **SELF WORTH** develop a strong sense of self-worth and mutual respect, be able to lead safe, healthy and fulfilling lives.
- **LEARNING:** Enjoy learning and believe they can make a positive difference.
- **SUCCESS:** Nurture self-esteem and enjoy celebrating their successes.
- **INCLUSION:** Treat everyone fairly and with respect in an inclusive environment.

## We will:

- Involve you in supporting your child's learning.
- Keep you informed about the support your child is receiving.
- Involve you in reviewing your child's progress.
- Liaise with the outside agencies who may come into school to help support your child's learning e.g. Speech and Language Therapy, Educational Psychology etc.
- Update the school's SEND register (a system for ensuring all the SEND pupils in this school are known) and make sure that there are excellent records of your child's progress and needs.
- Provide specialist support for teachers and support staff in the school so they can help children with SEND to achieve their best possible outcomes.



### **For your child this would mean:**

- The teacher has the highest possible expectations. All teaching is based upon what your child already knows and can do. For example, practical activities and visual supports are in place so that your child is fully involved in learning in class.
- Specific strategies (which may be suggested by the SENCO or outside agencies) are in place to support children to learn. Progress is formally assessed and recorded three times throughout the year. Targets are set for your child to ensure that gaps in their

understanding and learning are addressed. Some additional individual or small group support may take place, either in the classroom during class time, or outside of whole class learning.





# Ofsted Information

In our most recent inspection in October 2018, Ofsted graded Lodge Farm as a Good School.

They had many positive things to say about our school!



“ Teaching is consistently effective in all years. Teachers use their strong subject knowledge to plan activities which interest and engage pupils and help them to learn. ”



“ Pupils behave well in class and around the school. They are courteous and polite. They have good attitudes to learning and are keen to do their best. ”



“ Staff provide a wide range of high-quality support for pupils and their families, especially when they need extra help. Consequently, pupils feel safe and are well cared for. Parents and carers appreciate all that the school does for them. ”

“ Relationships are excellent throughout the school. Pupils trust their teachers and other adults. Teachers are quick to help pupils improve their work. ”

# Our Family Liaison Service

The Family Liaison Service is impartial, non-judgemental and offers families and children support at home or within school.

We offer support with school attendance, transitions, parenting, behaviour and routines amongst other things. We are also able to perform home visits. We work with a range of services throughout the town of Walsall as well as making referrals to other agencies.

We are able to offer a range of interventions to support the children's needs in group and one to one sessions, throughout the day. Whether it's a listening ear, support or information you need, we are here for you.



## Message from our CEO Gill Morris

SHINE Academies is a growing, successful Multi-Academy Trust and I am extremely proud to be the Chief Executive Officer from its inception and I am even more delighted to observe the progress of the Trust over the intervening years. This is an exciting time for SHINE Academies as we are on the cusp of expanding and by doing so ensuring that more pupils will receive the same quality education that Northwood Park, Lodge Farm, Villiers and Busill Jones Primary pupils already get.

SHINE Academies offers excellent facilities and opportunities for its students. The Trust takes pride in offering its students the best possible support during their time in the Academy and in helping them to become Secondary ready whilst delivering the very best educational experience. The Trust offers many varied and unique facilities for its students to help them to achieve their full potential in the future.

I am fortunate to have a strong Board of Trustees

which provides the effective support and challenge required to ensure that the Trust is an excellent employer, and we will work together to ensure that all our academies remain at least good in terms of OFSTED in the future.

In the coming years, we hope more schools will join the SHINE Academies family so collectively we can grow in strength. The Trust is well placed to support schools in the process of becoming Academies by joining our Trust. Our experience of the Academy Sector means that we can make the transition to Academy status as smooth as possible and offer support every step of the way.

We have achieved a great deal so far but we are ready now to go much further to fulfill our mission to STRIVE in HARMONY to INSPIRE, NURTURE and EXCEL.

**Chief Executive Officer  
Gill Morris NLE**



# Admission Information

To apply for a place at Lodge Farm Primary for children in **Reception - Year 6 (including mid-year transfers to Reception)** please visit the Walsall Council Website.

[www.walsall.gov.uk](http://www.walsall.gov.uk)

Telephone:  
**01922 652585**

Email:  
[primary.admissions@walsall.gov.uk](mailto:primary.admissions@walsall.gov.uk)

To apply for a **Nursery** place at Lodge Farm Primary please contact the school office

Telephone:  
**01902 928900**

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