



**TATHAM FELLS**

CE (VC) PRIMARY SCHOOL

"Roots to grow, wings to fly, faith to flourish"





welcome to

# Tatham Fells Primary & Nursery School

Situated in an idyllic location in the heart of the countryside, our pupils are lucky enough to have free access to a vast outdoor space with safety and peace of mind.

At Tatham Fells Primary children are encouraged to have the confidence to explore, enquire and develop resilience for their future learning. With small class sizes, experienced teachers and a broad range of subjects and activities, each child is supported to make the most of their individual talents and potential.

A broad curriculum, combined with stimulating indoor and outdoor spaces, allows for a positive, engaging and inspirational learning experience.

The best way to appreciate our unique and exclusive setting providing children with the opportunity to flourish is to call and arrange a tour with our Headteacher, Mrs Fiona Ip who would be delighted to show you around and you will be assured of a warm welcome.







## early years

Your child is already learning about the world and themselves through play. Our aim is to tap into their natural curiosity and eagerness to learn.

Small class sizes, experienced teachers and friendly support staff ensure that the children all get the attention they need.

Children can start their journey with us from the term after their third birthday.

We provide high quality, flexible teacher led provision five days a week and children quickly gain confidence through both our indoor and outdoor structured provision.

They quickly become part of the school family.



# language and literacy

Our pupils learn to be highly articulate. They talk confidently and respectfully to each other and adults.

We use the Read Write Inc. Phonics programme and real books which enables our children to develop fluent reading skills. They have a library of great books to take home.

An adult shares a high quality text with them daily and they read individually to staff daily, quickly building fluency.

We practise the skills of writing daily and children take pride in their work.







## mathematical discovery

We are confident in our maths teaching which is delivered through the White Rose scheme and through careful timetabling ensure every child is taught their year group their objectives and when appropriate children can be extended further.

## the sciences

Detailed planning and a wide range of practical opportunities ensure children develop their own natural interest in the world around them. Our pupils learn to make links between ideas and explain results. The emphasis is on scientific enquiry, practical and hands-on investigations and outdoor exploration.

## the humanities

Our learning in history, geography and RE is carefully planned with the National curriculum around topics that provide rich historical, geographical, religious and ethical insights for students to explore. From their early days in role play and learning about our wonderful environment we gradually equip students with the skills to critically question information and articulate well informed opinions. Visitors always comment on how knowledgeable and articulate our children are.



## exploring the arts

Our exceptionally talented staff are enthusiastic in putting together high quality performances each year. From Midsummer nights dream to Nativities, everyone is fully involved and children are all given the opportunity to shine.

Throughout their time at school, children develop their sketchbooks in art, progressing in their skills and knowledge of artist studies. They also have many opportunities to experiment with a variety of media.

There is lots of messy fun to be had with pottery, design technology, cooking and collage.







# sport

We have a specialist PE teacher and children all have 2 hours of Physical Education each week covering a wide range of sports.

Many of our pupils have their talents spotted and nurtured in school and are then directed to specialist sports clubs.

We take part in hockey, acrobatic gymnastics, rugby, football, athletics, rounders swimming competitions with the Lune Valley cluster.

We have won many tournaments but more importantly everyone has the chance to participate and is encouraged to do so.



# outdoor learning

We have a dedicated forest school area and forest school teacher and children throughout the school work on their wild passports- developing essential outdoor skills.

Our Early years pupils also have an inspiration station where they develop their learning in all areas of the curriculum through a wide range of activities.







## our community

When you start at Tatham Fells you become part of a caring and supportive community. Our school rules are simple - be kind, good listening, try your best. These are lived out every day with older pupils nurturing, caring for and modelling excellent behaviour for our younger pupils.

Children in nursery quickly settle and become an important part of our school family.

Community members led by our Chair of governors provide Loaves and Fishes club and Open the book. Our very well established friends of the school host film and bingo nights as well as community fundraisers such as 'Christmas in the Mart, to ensure our children get the extras which make education memorable.

## extra curricular

Children are welcome to attend our additional clubs, whether that be before -school and after school clubs or after school enrichment opportunities.

Children in Y5/6 visit the Isle of Man Venture Centre for their Outdoor adventure activities and Edinburgh for a city break.

Y3/4 children have the chance to stay overnight at Borwick hall on a residential adventure.











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We hope this brochure has given you a flavour of what high quality rural education could provide for your child.



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