



Friezland Primary School

School Prospectus

2020 – 2021

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A FAMILY COMMITTED TO MAKING A DIFFERENCE

Vision

We will develop well-rounded, resilient individuals who demonstrate mutual respect and tolerance and who have a positive impact on their community and the wider world.



By:

- Achieving excellence through collaboration and exploration;
- Providing a diverse and inclusive learning community where uniqueness is celebrated and through which children, families, staff and Governors work in partnership to nurture, grow and unlock every child's potential;
- Knowing each child well to make sure that they feel valued, encouraging their self-esteem and confidence to grow;
- Educating to the highest standards and developing skills for life through ensuring exciting, challenging and stimulating experiences within and beyond the classroom, to maximise achievement and success;
- Developing curiosity and the courage to think critically and ambitiously;
- Exploring and Investigating Independently and Interdependently;
- Encouraging a life-long love of learning which is exemplified by children who enjoy challenge and are motivated to take risks;
- Facilitating a programme of enrichment to build confidence and promote new interests, teamwork, leadership skills, friendships and fun.



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There has been a school at Friezland, serving the educational needs of the community for over 100 years, opening on June 1st 1915. Friezland is a non-denominational, community school in Greenfield, Oldham, catering for children from four to eleven years old. We have approximately 105 pupils on roll.

Children joining the Reception class enter the Early Years Foundation Stage and are taught as a separate class of fifteen for their first year. Years 1 to 6 are organised into mixed-age classes (Years 1&2, Years 3&4 and Years 5&6) of thirty children. Each child spends two years in each of these with a two-year curriculum cycle to ensure breadth and balance. This provides the opportunity for teachers and support staff to get to know your child very well.

The school is part of the Dovestone Learning Partnership; Oldham's first shared Co-operative Trust. Made up of nine schools across Saddleworth and Lees, the partnership aims to work together to improve opportunities for our children, families and our communities. Schools within the partnership work closely together to facilitate the sharing of best practice and resources for the benefit of our pupils and the wider community.

In April 2019, the school was inspected by Ofsted and received a judgement of 'Good' in all areas.

The report can be found at: <https://reports.ofsted.gov.uk/inspection-reports/find-inspection-report/provider/ELS/105666>



Due to COVID 19 regulations, the school day currently looks a little different.

The School Day



School bell rings for pupils to line up on yard:	8:45am
Registration:	8:50-9:00am
Session 1:	9:00-10:00am
Assembly:	10:00 / 10:10-10:30am
Morning Break:	10:30 – 10:45am
Session 2:	10:45am-12:00 / 12:10pm
Lunch Break:	12.:00 – 1:10pm Reception & KS1 12:10-1:10pm KS2
Session 3:	1:10-2:10pm
Afternoon Break:	15 minutes- KS1 & Reception
Session 4:	2:10-3:10pm
End of day routines:	3:10-3:20pm
End of school day:	3.20pm Reception & KS1 leave via rear exit KS2 leave via front exit

Our Broad and Balanced Curriculum

We aim to provide a broad and balanced curriculum that is engaging, stimulating and relevant to our pupils' context. Our curriculum is varied with a key focus on the progression of knowledge and skills across each subject. We use key questions and a philosophical approach in order to 'hook' pupils into their learning, teaching using a thematic cross-curricular approach where appropriate.

Our commitment to Social, Moral, Spiritual and Cultural understanding helps to ensure a cohesive learning community in which pupils value and respect themselves and each other, and have a good understanding of the British Values.

Provision in the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) allows for continuous learning with both indoor and outdoor environments being well planned, stimulating and designed to support purposeful child-initiated play to maximise learning opportunities. These opportunities are developed by a team of highly-skilled staff who use rigorous observations to monitor and assess progress and determine next steps in learning for the individual child. Our EYFS team are also Forest School trained. This learner-centered approach offers all learners, regardless of ability, regular opportunities to achieve and develop confidence and self-esteem through hands-on learning experiences in an outdoor natural environment. All year groups access Forest Fun sessions as part of our curriculum offer.



Before and After School Provision: FROSTIES

Our Before and After School Club, FROSTIES, is open every morning before school and every afternoon, after school. Many of the staff members are also school staff which means a smooth transition is supported and staff get to know your child really well.

2020– 2021 charges:

Annual registration fee (taken at first booking of each school year)	£5.00
Breakfast Club	
Full session: 7:30-8:45am	£4.50
After school Club	
Full session: 3:20-5:45pm	£7.60
Part session: 3:20-4:45pm	£5.00
If your child attends a school extra-curricular club prior to attending Frosties, you will only be charged for the part session.	
Late pick-up at the end of the school day, 3:20pm (usual session fees then apply from 3:40pm)	£2.50
Late pick-up after 5:45pm	£5 per 10 minutes

Holiday Club

Freedom in the Forest is our Ofsted-registered, school holiday club provider. It operates during most of the school holidays and is run by Mrs R Keeley who is a retired Friezland teacher and Level 3 Forest School practitioner. Places can be booked via: 07718163792 or freedomintheforest@hotmail.com. A full day at the club, 9:00am-4:00pm, costs £30 and a deposit is required in order to secure a place. Early drop-off and late pick-up can be offered if arranged in advance.



School Meals

In Reception and Key stage 1 children are entitled to a free school dinner as part of the Government's Universal School Meal offer. Our school meals are cooked on the premises and the school meal service operates on a three-week cycle, providing a variety of nutritious hot and cold meals. If your child has any specific dietary requirement this can also be catered for. In Key stage 2 the current cost of a school dinner is £2.40 per day. Dinner money is to be paid by Monday of each week or termly if preferred. All dinner money payments should be made online through parent 'Eduspot' accounts.

Friends of Friezland (PTA)

We have a dedicated team of parents and volunteers who work extremely hard to raise additional funds for school, to help pay for the 'extras' that the school budget doesn't cover. Fundraising events have included: Christmas and Summer Fairs, a Halloween Disco and Chocolate Bingo. We even have our own lottery. The funds raised have contributed towards many additional resources and activities to enhance our children's learning journeys. Events are advertised on our school website.

Admission arrangements

Oldham Local Authority is the admissions body for pupil places in the school. If over-subscribed in any one year, the policy explains the criteria to decide priority order.

The main areas of priority are:

First Priority: Children with exceptional medical, social or educational needs including Children Looked After (CLA).

Second Priority: Children with siblings in attendance at the school.

Third Priority: Geographical proximity and ease of access to the school ('as the crow flies').

The LA School Admissions Team can be contacted via: ecs.pupils@oldham.gov.uk / Tel 0161 770 4213



School Uniform

The School Governing Board has agreed our uniform which all parents are asked to support. It includes:

- Friezland School sweatshirts or cardigans (or plain navy sweatshirts / cardigans)
- Friezland green or white polo-shirts
- Friezland outdoor fleece jacket (navy)
- White blouses or shirts
- Navy skirts, pinafore dresses, trousers (long or short)
- Green summer dresses (checked)
- Plain school socks / tights, navy, black or white
- Sensible black / navy school shoes
- PE t-shirt (white) available with school logo
- PE shorts (navy)
- Black pumps (for indoor PE)
- Training shoes (for outdoor PE & games)
- Navy blue track suit (available with school logo)
- Baseball cap (with school logo, optional for use on sunny days)
- Long hair should be tied back
- Small studs or sleepers are allowed for pierced ears and a small wrist watch is permitted – no other jewellery should be worn. All jewellery must be removed for PE and swimming
- No shaved heads or patterned haircuts are allowed
- For swimming (Class 3), children are required to wear trunks or a full swimming costume (no bikinis or long shorts).

The majority of the above items can be purchased from Simply School Wear, Chew Valley Road, Greenfield. All clothing should be labelled with your child's name.

'Keeping in Touch' Procedures

In order to ensure your child is safe, we would like to know if:

- Your child is absent from school.

This may be because your child is ill or has an urgent medical appointment. Please telephone school before 9:00am. This will allow us to ensure that children who have been sent to school, arrive safely and also to ensure that all absences are authorised. If we do not hear from you by the designated time, school will try to contact you.

- You are taking a family holiday during term-time.

Holidays in term-time will not be authorised unless there are 'exceptional' circumstances. The Local Authority will also issue a fixed-term penalty for holiday absences of 5 days (10 sessions) or more across a school year.

- Someone else is picking your child up from school.

Parents are asked to provide a two-word passcode to be used when an adult that is unknown to school or another pupil's parent, is picking up their child. This code can be changed at any time by contacting the school office. Unless we have had this information, a child will not be handed over until we have contacted the parents.

Safeguarding children:

Parents should be aware that the school will take any reasonable action to ensure the safety of pupils. Where the school is concerned that a child may be the subject of ill-treatment, neglect or other forms of abuse, staff will follow Local Safeguarding Children's Board (LSCB) procedures as well as those recorded in school's Safeguarding Policy, and may report their concerns to Oldham Social Services Department. The Head teacher is the school's Safeguarding Designated Person.

