



Changing lives through excellence and inclusion

## **CULLODEN PRIMARY SCHOOL INFORMATION FOR PARENTS AND CARERS**

### **We help your child achieve and enjoy their learning by:**

- providing effective teaching based on a thorough knowledge of each pupil's needs (Ofsted 2009).

### **We keep your child safe by:**

- ensuring staff are appropriately recruited and vetted
- having an up-to-date single central register to record recruitment and vetting information for all staff
- ensuring staff receive up-to-date, high quality and appropriate child protection and safer recruitment training
- ensuring we have sufficient numbers of trained first aiders
- having the necessary procedures and policies in place for safeguarding pupils, behaviour, anti-bullying, using the internet and health and safety
- encouraging your child to adopt safe and responsible practices
- supporting and nurturing vulnerable children
- having a rigorous risk assessment system in place to mitigate risks on educational visits and at school
- having regular school inspections by the premises manager and health and safety manager to action any defects.

### **We help your child know how to behave by:**

- having a clear behaviour policy which sets out what we expect.

### **We help your child adopt a healthy lifestyle by:**

- providing a healthy meal at lunchtimes-the school has been awarded healthy school status
- having playgrounds which provide sport related activities
- providing two hours of PE per week including swimming as well as a range of sports clubs
- providing sex and relationship education and drugs education
- developing their reflection time, emotional intelligence and self-esteem.

### **We help your child contribute to the school and wider community by:**

- fully involving them in the life of the school and making positive contributions
- having a school council which represents the views of pupils
- having pupil surveys
- having assemblies where pupils' views are sought

- participating in charity work and other jobs for their community.

**We prepare your child for their future education, training and employment by:**

- providing them with new experiences through educational and residential visits
- providing them with opportunities to work on projects with people from business organisations.

**We ensure your children receive spiritual, moral, social and cultural development by:**

- providing them with a thorough understanding of cultural differences
- having respect for one another's backgrounds and knowing the importance of strong and positive relationships.

**We ensure the quality of teaching for your child is outstanding by:**

- providing an excellent curriculum to promote pupils' personal development and an exciting environment in which to learn
- providing rich learning experiences to stimulate their minds and engage their interests
- having a rigorous assessment system to track pupils' progress so that underperformance is tackled quickly.

**We ensure your child receives appropriate and effective care, guidance and support by:**

- drawing on wide range of agencies and external professionals to support pupils and their families
- involving parents/carers in their child/ren's learning
- having strong systems to guide and support pupils' work
- ensuring they receive excellent guidance in every lesson.

**We ensure the leadership and management in the school is outstanding through:**

- the headteacher's exemplary leadership skills and her quest for excellence at all levels
- highly developed and focused leadership roles to drive school improvement
- having experienced, driven and motivated managers who receive excellent opportunities to develop and succeed.

**We ensure the governing body is challenging and supporting the school so that weaknesses are tackled decisively and statutory responsibilities met by:**

- having regular governing body and committee meetings which hold the school to account
- having governors that are exceptionally supportive and knowledgeable and who maintain a strong strategic overview of the school's performance.

**We ensure the school's engagement with parents and carers is effective by:**

- having parent/carer meetings and involving you in your child/ren's work and progress at school.
- having a suggestion box to give you the opportunity to share your thoughts
- providing you with up to date information in the fortnightly newsletter.

**We ensure partnerships in promoting, learning and well-being are effective by:**

- having outstanding links with external agencies and partners to ensure pupils' needs are fully met
- providing excellent support for pupils learning English as an additional language

**We ensure the school promotes equal opportunity and tackles discrimination by;**

- having clear expectations and procedures in place.

**We ensure the school is effective at promoting community cohesion by:**

- involving families in the work of the school and seeking their views.

**We ensure the school is effective at deploying resources to achieve value for money by:**

- challenging quotes and contracts for services and goods.

**We ensure the education your child receives in the Early Years Foundation Stage is outstanding through:**

- the quality of provision in the Early Years Foundation Stage
- the effectiveness of leadership and management of the Early Years Foundation Stage.

