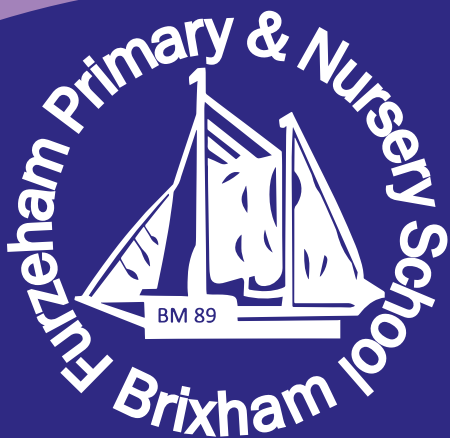


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Early Years - Year 6 Prospectus

Welcome from the headteacher

Welcome to Furzeham Primary and Nursery School

Furzeham Primary and Nursery School is a small school situated on the coast of Brixham, Torbay.

We are a fully inclusive, happy and friendly community school that prides itself on providing all children with outstanding learning experiences underpinned by our school learning values.

Our first priority with any new family joining the school, is to make them feel safe, secure and confident within our environment in order that we can begin to work together in creating the best all-round educational experiences.

Our aim is to nurture and support all pupils to be their best selves and to ensure that we provide an environment in which they can flourish.

As a proud member of the Thinking Schools Academy Trust, we are thrilled to offer an all-through educational journey to our children too, by encouraging them to attend Brixham College when they leave our wonderful school. Brixham College is a member of the same family of schools as Furzeham, sharing the same mission to transform the life chances of children.

I hope you enjoy learning more about Furzeham Primary and Nursery School. Please do speak to a member of our team if you have any questions.



Mr P. Adams, Headteacher





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At Furzeham Primary and Nursery School, we provide an inclusive, secure, nurturing, and high-quality learning environment that inspires our children to develop life-long learning skills and enables them to be their best selves.

Our expectations are high: we offer excellent teaching with a broad, enriched curriculum that engages and excites children to drive their own learning with increasing independence.

Our vision is for educational excellence. We pursue excellence in learning and teaching by encouraging every child to seek and achieve their potential within a balanced and engaging curriculum with key values at its centre: to provide a relevant and innovative curriculum that inspires children to achieve their best.

We create an uncompromising passion for uncompromising excellence and high expectations. We foster responsibility and belonging for ourselves, others, and our community locally, nationally, and globally. We collaborate together to provide a caring and supportive environment based on a spirit of cooperation between the school and the local community.

We engender perseverance and resilience by having the pupils take the learning into their own hands and take responsibility for themselves. Foster a sense of belonging to a community by empowering children to make valuable contributions to the school. Engage

with the school and wider community to enrich and enhance children's achievements and personal development.

We believe in fostering respect, honesty, and friendship in all children and adults alike, developing integrity and compassion, and valuing the worth of each individual. Celebrating success and nurturing self-esteem through the celebration of children's achievements and fostering positive attitudes towards all people, races, religions, and ways of life helps people develop spiritually, morally, and culturally while celebrating equality and diversity.





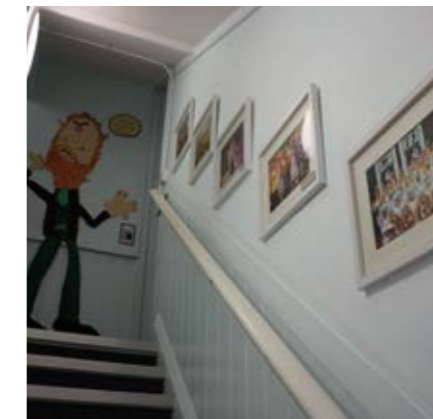
Our Curriculum

At Furzeham Primary and Nursery School, we offer a curriculum that is broad, balanced, and promotes a positive attitude towards life-long learning.

Our curriculum is built on being inspiring and inclusive, with an overarching desire to be excellent in all aspects of teaching and learning. It builds on the knowledge, conceptual understanding, and skills of all children through sequential learning journeys, building coherence and progression regardless of their starting points.

The knowledge of our children and the coastal community in which they live, has shaped what we believe is an exciting, innovative, and creative curriculum. It provides an equal number of opportunities to counter relative

disadvantaged/different starting points and meets the needs of all our learners. Our curriculum has high expectations to combine transferable skills, demonstrate a breadth of vocabulary, develop cross curricular links, and provide a bespoke challenge to all pupils. We have a constant eye on the future for our children, and by continually reshaping the curriculum through our key themes, this helps prepare them for the future and allows for the development of cultural capital. Our key themes permeate every subject and unit of learning where they are meaningful and relevant.



Coastal & Community

Coastal

At Furzeham Primary and Nursery School, we ensure our local history and heritage is at our core and we provide opportunities to teach and for children to understand local history.

As a coastal school in a busy fishing port with a rich heritage, it is vital our curriculum secures an understanding of local and self-belonging in our community, as well as building connections outwards to our regional, national and global world.



Community

Our planning, teaching and learning enables community links to connect with and have an impact on classroom community, school community, local community, national community and global community.

Visits and visitors are a regular approach to deepen understanding in the curriculum. We work in partnership with parents and members of the community are invited regularly into our school to celebrate the children's learning. Our unwavering PTA are resolute in the aim to enhance our children's educational provision.



Creative & Communication

Creative



Our curriculum aspires to have creativity at its core. We celebrate creative talents and oracy through access to drama throughout the whole curriculum alongside singing, choirs, art clubs, and theatre shows. We foster presentational speaking in all its forms and provide opportunities to build, create, invent and experiment using imagined and real-life situations.

Communication



We provide opportunities to develop oracy to ensure clear, concise communication appropriate for task, person and place. We provide purposeful opportunities for talk and authentic audiences so that children develop confidence to articulate and debate.



Early Years

We understand each child has different needs, interests, experiences, knowledge and learning styles, and we tailor learning opportunities to encourage these needs.

The learning topics within our nursery at Furzeham reflect our children's interests and experiences and use our local coastal community and heritage.

We are trusted to ensure all our early years children feel safe and secure to explore and experiment in order to learn and develop. Learning opportunities are provided through both child- and adult-initiated activities using both the indoor and outdoor environments, ensuring challenge, enquiry and support to encourage development in all areas.





Thinking Schools

The Thinking Schools Academy Trust is a family of schools that work together to transform the life chances of all our children and young people. We share a common mission to nurture successful young people who are confident and can think and act independently.

Students are equipped with a bank of Thinking Tools designed to prepare them for a range of scenarios, dilemmas and circumstances that they may face in life as part of modern society. The use of these Tools in our curriculum is supported by scientific and metacognitive research, and Pupils are encouraged to apply their tools independently and use them to unlock new ideas. Our Thinking Tools include: Thinking Maps, De Bono's Thinking Hats and Art Costa's Habits of Mind. These tools are used consistently across all areas of our curriculum

and support our students tremendously in their learning and personal growth.

The concept of 'Being your Best Self' is also at the heart of our approach to learning at the Thinking School. Pupils are encouraged to strive to be and achieve their best, and are given multiple opportunities to reflect on their learning and work on their personal development.



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