



Dear Parents,

Watling Lower School is a caring, happy and successful values based community school. We recognise that all children are unique and have their own special gifts and talents. We also know that children learn in many different ways, and we therefore teach using a variety of methods in order to help our children realise their full potential. Children are encouraged to become independent and confident individuals who are able to build successful relationships with others.

We believe in working in partnership with parents, and also see ourselves as part of the community, thus encouraging the children to understand and respect the needs of others, within the local environment and beyond.

We will do all that we can to ensure that your child will be happy and make good progress at Watling Lower School and that there are many opportunities for you to share in the life and learning of the school.

The staff work together as a team to ensure equality of opportunity for all our children from 4-9 years. We work to achieve high standards of learning, with the needs of individual children being taken into account.

Our curriculum is broad and balanced and relevant to each individual child's needs whatever his or her ability. We are excited to be developing our curriculum further to build in more creative approaches to learning designed to engage and inspire children whilst rooted in key skills which will serve them well throughout their lives in whatever they do.

As a values based school we endeavour to enable the child to develop a respect for others, including a respect for other children's race, culture and creed, and alongside this to develop an awareness of their physical environment and a respect for all forms of life.

We have a small (but growing) and very active group called Parents and Friends Association who raise money to enhance our children's learning. They have funded such things as pantomimes and our outside classroom as well as popular social events for the children. You would be most welcome if you felt you had the time to join them and it is an excellent way of getting involved in school life.

Your child's time with us should be happy and rewarding and we will endeavour to achieve this for each and every child. If at any time you wish to talk about your child's development or aspects of school life, please do not hesitate to contact me or a member of staff.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs S. Penglase
Headteacher