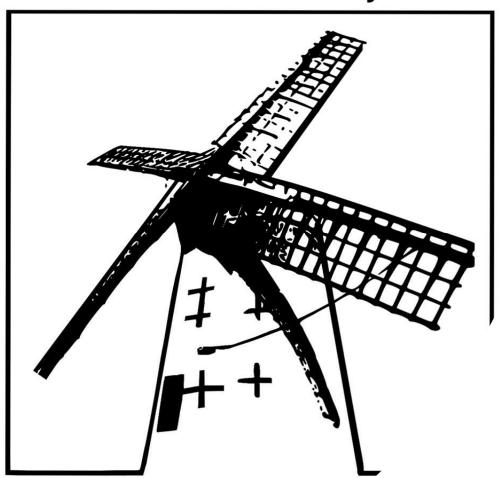
### **Bidston Avenue Primary School**



## Primary Schools in Wirral

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## Agenda

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Funding for education

How do you apply to a school or nursery



# Types of school in the primary sector

- Community schools (funded via local council) & academy schools (funded directly from state)
- Free schools
- Faith schools (catholic and Church of England)
- Private (parent payment direct to school)
- Special schools



# Age range for schools in the primary sector

- Private Nursery (birth to 4 years)
- School Nursery (most ages 3-4 years, but some age 2-4 years)
- Primary (age 4-11 years)
  - Infant (age 4-7 years)
  - Junior (age 7-11 years)



## Learning for nursery schools

Focus on igniting children's curiosity and enthusiasm for learning, forming relationships and thriving.

### These are the **prime areas**:

- communication and language
- physical development
- personal, social and emotional development

### The **specific areas** are:

- literacy
- mathematics
- understanding the world
- expressive arts and design



## Learning for primary-aged children (4 -11 years)

### The National Curriculum (Required by Law)

- English
- Maths
- Science
- Design and Technology
- History
- Geography
- Art and Design
- Music
- Physical Education (PE), including swimming
- Computing
- Ancient and Modern Foreign Languages (7-11 years)

### Primary schools must also provide:

- Relationships and Health education
- Religious Education (RE) but parents can ask for their children to be taken out of the whole lesson or part of it



## Pupil Premium / Free School Meals

- Children who have parents in receipt of certain benefits receive extra funding for school activities
- School may ask you for your details to complete a form on your behalf
- This online form will check if you are eligible
- If yes, then your child will receive a daily free school meal and may have discounts on trips/activities
- If no, then you pay for meals (year 3 and above)
- Infant meals (reception to year 2 inclusive) are free, currently, in state/council funded schools



## Wider school activities

- Breakfast and after school club (to support working parents)
- School trips, including residentials
- Extra English and Maths support
- Library
- Arts and crafts
- Sports clubs



## How to apply

1

#### Do your research.

- Values/drivers/standards
- Check admissions policy Have a look around.
- Do you get a good feel?
- Like buying a house

2

In Year Transfers – any time across the year

Starting school (reception) must apply by 15<sup>th</sup> January 2023 (or classed as late)

3

Click 'Apply for a school place' button on the council website.

Must register on the ONE Citizens Portal for Wirral Council.

4

The online/paper-based form asks for three schools.

Application sent to the schools, and they let admissions dept know if there is a place.

5

Admissions dept contact you with your allocated school and you can arrange a start date with the school.

Purchase uniform etc.



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#### Applications for school places in September 2023

If your child is due to move up to Foundation 2 in a primary school or Year 7 in a secondary school in September 2023, and you are a Wirral resident, the online application process is now open.

Apply for a school place

## Do your research...

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#### **Our Vision:**

a reader who thinks critically and has the resilience for the



#### **Our Mission:**

**Bidston Avenue Primary** School delivers a world class curriculum.

It is accessible, inspiring and ambitious, so that every child is equipped to make a positive contribution.

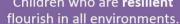


#### **Evidence Tells Us:**

Reading ability is the best predictor of future educational achievement and future success.

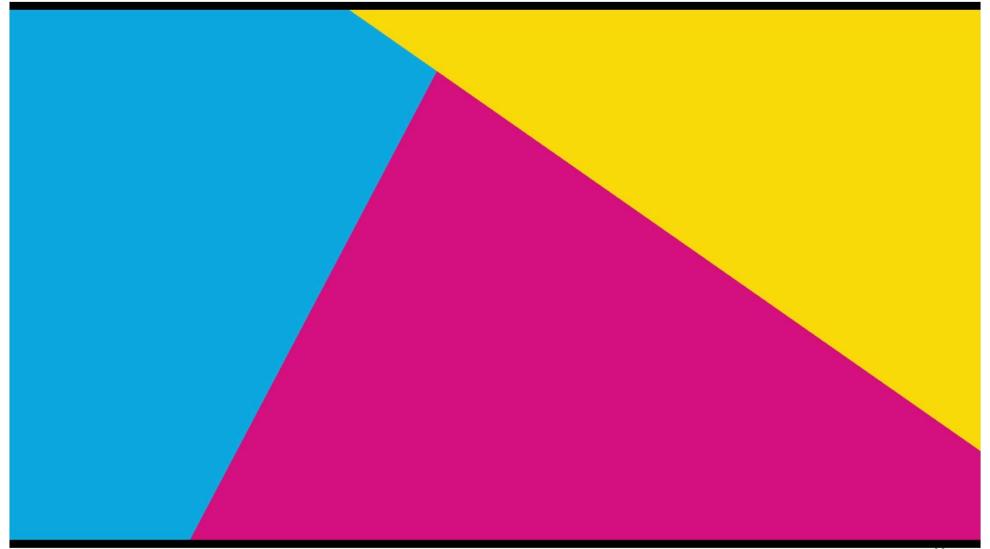
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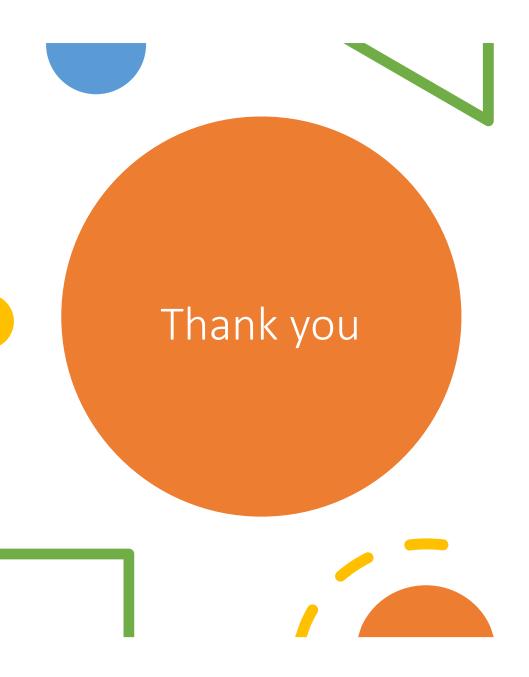
Children who are resilient



We value: friendship / RESPECT / equality / determination / inspiration / courage / excellence







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