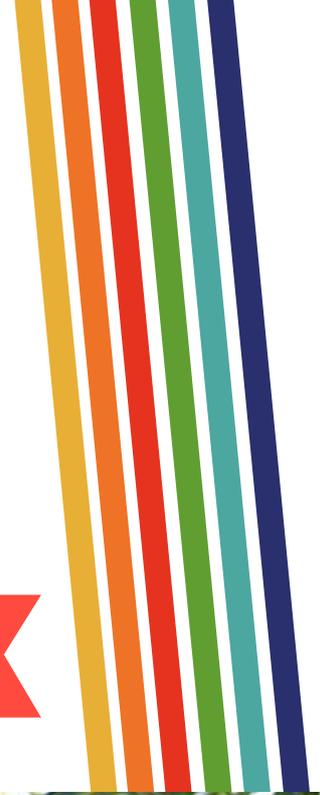
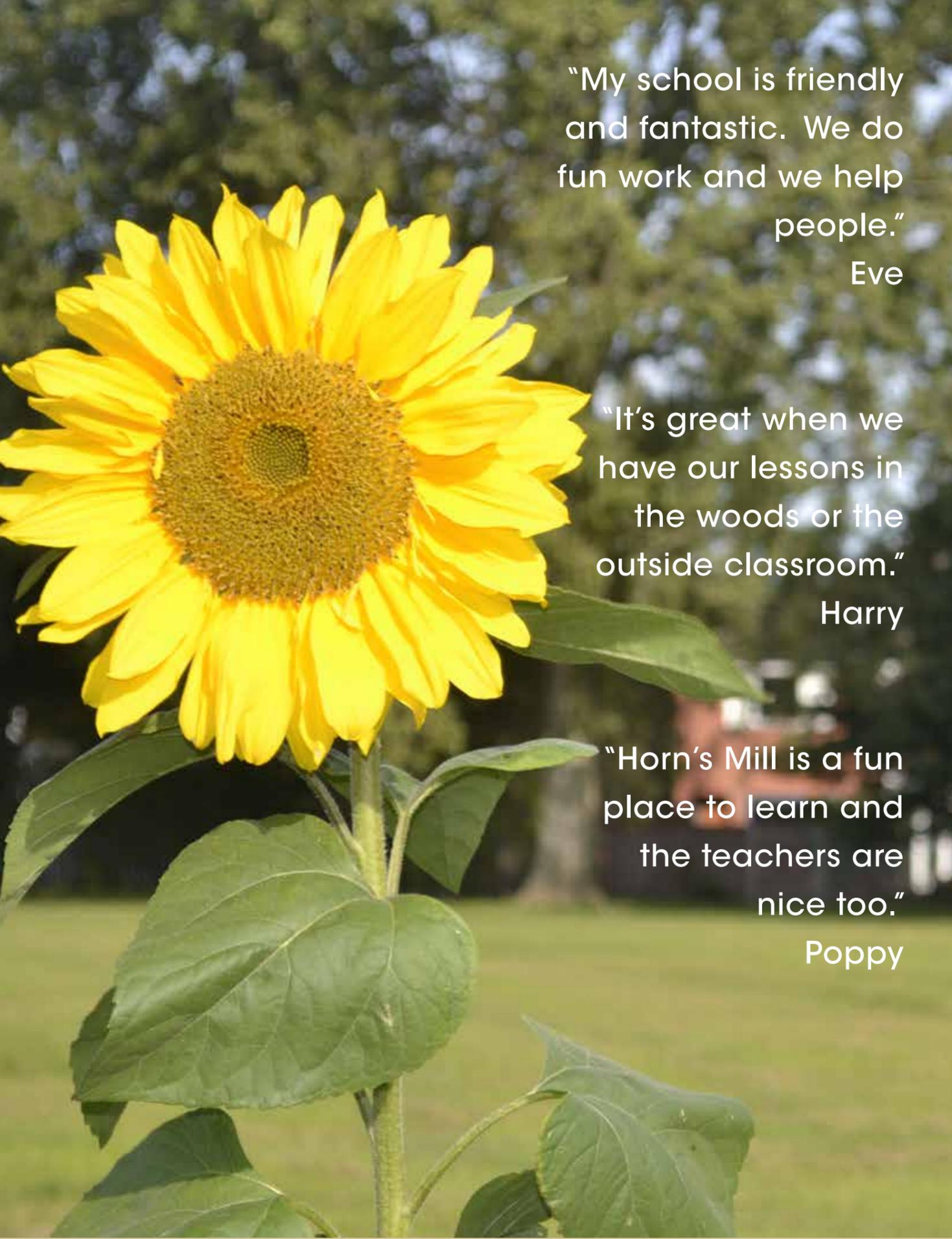


Horn's Mill
Primary School



Believe, Inspire, Flourish





“My school is friendly and fantastic. We do fun work and we help people.”
Eve

“It’s great when we have our lessons in the woods or the outside classroom.”
Harry

“Horn’s Mill is a fun place to learn and the teachers are nice too.”
Poppy

A very warm welcome



Horn’s Mill Primary School is a one form entry school serving the community of Helsby on the outskirts of Chester. We are an inclusive community that challenges and inspires children in a creative and engaging way, preparing them for the next stage in their lives.

Our school is a happy place to learn. Our last OFSTED judged us as a ‘Good’ school but we continually strive for excellence and aim to achieve an ‘Outstanding’ judgement in the near future.

As a school that values community very highly we have close working relationships with our families and ensure that our children and our parents have a strong voice in the school.

We have seven classes at Horn’s Mill and cater for up to 210 children in total. Our school building consists of a main hall, seven welcoming classrooms and an entrance area with a library included. The buildings are surrounded by beautiful grounds including a large forest area, a substantial school field, traversing wall, large play areas and an adventure trail.

Planned additions to the outside of our school in 2016/17 include a daily mile running track.

As Head Teacher I am very proud of our children and the team of passionate and dedicated staff I work with. We would welcome any interested parents and carers to take a closer look at our school. We look forward to meeting you.

Sharon Wyatt
Head Teacher

Horn's Mill Children Matter



At Horn's Mill we are committed to ensuring inclusive practise across the school, as it is key to enabling all children to succeed in their learning. Through a carefully planned curriculum which is creative and engaging, we ensure each child has a range of opportunities to develop themselves both academically and socially.

Our curriculum continues to evolve around the interests and needs of our children. We ensure that it provides them with the highest possible level of basic skills in Reading, Writing and Maths and challenges them to apply learning to a variety of contexts; solving problems and working alone and co-operating with others.

We are passionate that children are allowed to be the best that they can be and we focus on their strengths in order to motivate and develop their enthusiasm for learning.

In addition to children being invited to attend outdoor residential visits in Year 2, 4 and 6, we utilise our excellent environment to offer outdoor opportunities to enrich the curriculum. We use planting beds, a pond, a wildlife garden, a woodland, an outdoor classroom and expansive fields, all on our doorstep.

Visitors are regularly invited into school to offer expertise and enhance what our own staff can provide for children. We employ specialist teachers for PE, Art and Music to ensure excellence in these subjects.

As a result of our curriculum, we firmly believe that Horn's Mill children leave our school with the confidence and social and academic ability to thrive in the next stage of their development, the transition to high school and the years beyond.

"Exciting activities are planned to help children discover their independence and become confident and sociable learners."

Ofsted Report



Working Together



We pride ourselves on the community feel and inclusive nature of our school. The key to the success of this is our fundamental desire to work effectively as a team, which consists of a talented and dedicated staff and also our families, pre-school and governors.

Our staff team, including a part time Family Support Worker, work tirelessly to offer high quality teaching, learning and care for our children in a compassionate and bespoke way. We ensure the best possible outcomes for every individual, whatever their needs.

Horn's Mill Pre-School, which is situated on our site, delivers outstanding Nursery provision for 2-4 year olds in addition to before and after school care for Horn's Mill children from 8am - 6pm every day. When the school day ends, our commitment continues with the offer of an exciting range of

free clubs provided by all members of the school staff. These change each term and endeavour to meet the requirements of all ages and interests. We also provide some after school clubs through outside companies which incur small charges but offer specialist coaching in activities such as archery, street dance and gymnastics.

Our "Friends of Horn's Mill" work relentlessly hard to raise funds to enhance the environment and provide opportunities for our children outside of the school budget's purse strings! The events they organise also provide an excellent opportunity to develop the community spirit and inclusive nature of our school, and also allow us to have some well-earned fun!

Parents and carers play a key role and have an important voice in our children's learning and happiness. The Head Teacher is visible both before and after school most days in order to maintain the strong and trusting relationships that have been forged over recent months.

We welcome families into school on a weekly basis for Assemblies, every morning to share in "Morning Challenges", and regularly to share and support children's learning in workshops and "Meet the Teacher" opportunities.

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Our "Reading Team" is made up of parents, grandparents and local community volunteers, and supports our children with time and patience while they read for pleasure.

Our Board of Governors are proud to work alongside the Head Teacher and other members of staff. Governor representatives include members of staff, parents and the local community to ensure that people with a wide range of experience skills and views make informed decisions that ensure the best outcomes for children.

What Our Parents Say

"My son's progress has been brilliant due to continuity and excellent fun teaching! Harry is very happy!"

"Staff are very caring and attentive and are always willing to make time for parents. I am thrilled with Lucy's report, her progress and SATS results."

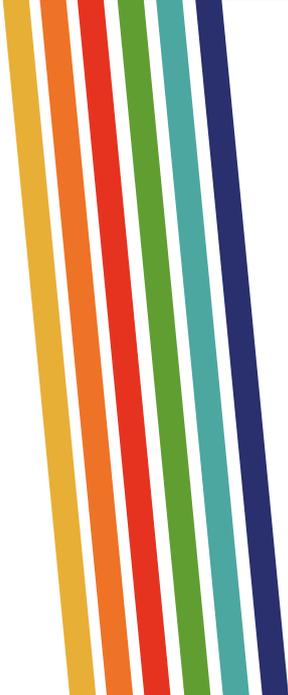
"It's lovely to see James enjoy school so much. He absolutely loves it. As always we appreciate the hard work from you all. Thank you."

"We would like to say a big thank you for the amazing welcome and continued support to us all since the children started."

"I am delighted to see Harvey so happy, included and progressing both academically and socially."

"There are so many exciting, fun events and occasions to enjoy! A huge thank you to all the fantastic staff at Horn's Mill for making Eve's first year so enjoyable."

"We are so proud of the progress that Mackensie has made. It's been lovely to read such great comments - his report is fantastic and shows how much he loves coming to school."



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