

# Derwent Vale Primary and Nursery School

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Derwent Vale Primary and Nursery School is a successful and happy school situated in the village of Great Clifton just outside Workington. It serves the villages of Great and Little Clifton. There are currently 122 children on role from ages 3 to 11. We have a dedicated team of staff and motivated children. The school was built 20 years ago and is therefore a modern and well equipped building.

The school was inspected in November 2014 and was judged as 'Good'. Ofsted stated 'Pupils' behaviour is good. Pupils enjoy coming to school and have very positive attitudes to learning. Pupils say that they feel extremely safe in this caring and inclusive community where all are welcome.'

Pupil's good behaviour, courtesy and respect for others were immediately recognised as strengths. These attributes alongside the good use of basic skills means pupils are well placed for their future schooling and the world of work.

The school is divided in to five teaching units; Class 1 (Reception & Nursery), Class 2 (Year 1 & 2), Class 3 (Year 3), Class 4 (Years 4, 5), Class 5 (Year 6). Throughout the day there are support staff who work alongside class teachers or withdraw children for specific intervention programmes.

The school is well resourced in all curriculum areas and the accommodation is exceptional. There are interactive whiteboards in all classes.

The school has a separate hall that is used daily for assemblies, P.E., concerts and doubles up as the dining hall.

The school has a satellite children's centre and as a result enjoys excellent links with the community. It caters for a variety of Extended Schools Services courses and provisions.

The school grounds consist of a large hard play area, an extensive playing field with football pitch and an adventure playground. We have developed a garden area with raised beds, fruit trees and a sensory area. We also keep chickens and use the eggs within school.

Derwent Vale is a fully inclusive school and enjoys good links with external agencies including Workington primaries and local secondary schools.

## Achieving Together



Derwent Vale Primary and Nursery School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.

### Support

Of great importance to the school is the support given by parents to school activities and events. The school has a fundraising group who raise monies to support school development projects. Adults from the local church, parents and grandparents volunteer to hear children read on a weekly basis.

### Additional Information

Derwent Vale Primary and Nursery School has been awarded the Bronze Award from the Food for Life Partnership. The school has also been awarded the Healthy Schools Standard and has a five star rated kitchen. The school is in its third year of maintaining Sainsbury's School Games Gold award standard PE. Year on year we have been certificated in the Cumbria in Bloom schools section.

At Derwent Vale Primary and Nursery School the children are happy and hard working and the staff are effective, enthusiastic and supportive.

We welcome applications to our thriving school. If you wish to visit the school please contact Mrs Dixon in the office: 01900 601233.

Application forms can be downloaded from Cumbria County Council jobs website.

Completed forms should be returned to the office or posted to the school Please ensure correct postage is paid as underpaid letters will not be collected from the post office and paid for by the school.

Candidates selected for interview will be informed via email.

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