



Haxby Road
PRIMARY ACADEMY

Proud to work, learn and grow together



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“ We have been delighted with how our children have been welcomed. Staff have taken real trouble to get to know the boys as individuals.



Our academy

Here at Haxby Road, we want our children to be happy, confident young people who are ready and prepared for the world around them. When parents and carers entrust their children into our care, we make a promise to them that we will nurture them not just academically but also care for them socially and pastorally. In short, we value and care for all of our pupils as individuals and want to see them enjoy their education, feel excited about learning and succeed in life.

Haxby Road Primary School served the local community for over 100 years, educating children up to the age of 11. In 2014, we converted to become an academy which has enabled us to have much greater flexibility in what we provide for our children, ensuring that decisions are made with our children and their needs at heart.

Our academy is situated just ten minutes from the centre of York and is set in impressive grounds, in a Grade II-listed building designed by renowned York architect Walter Brierley.

It is well-resourced with excellent facilities, including a well-stocked school library and specialist classrooms for music, ICT and food technology.

The academy has a large playing field, a MUGA (Multi-Use-Games-Area), two playgrounds and also owns a large community garden situated across the road, where both local residents and school pupils grow plants and vegetable produce.

The academy has invested heavily in technology and every teaching area has an interactive whiteboard and sufficient computers to enable both small groups and whole classes to work together using ICT.

We also have the added benefit of an on-site Family Centre which works to meet the needs of the whole family within our community.

We also benefit from an on-site local authority enhanced resource provision for pupils with Speech and Language difficulties.

Excellence

To inspire and instil in others, the desire to be the best we can.

Every child, every day

We believe that every child deserves the best teaching and learning opportunities every day. At Haxby Road, we are committed to making sure that lessons are deeply rooted in both excellence and enjoyment, with children being encouraged to do the best they can and come away from lessons feeling enthusiastic and excited about the things that they have learned.

Our curriculum offers children the opportunity to develop their skills, knowledge and understanding in a full range of subject areas and is designed to nurture a real love for learning. We are also committed to encouraging each pupil's individual strengths and talents, be it in mathematics, football or drama and performance.

To be the best we can

A key part of our academy ethos is the belief that everybody should strive to be the best they can. Pupils, staff, governors and families all have a part to play in ensuring that Haxby Road continues to go from strength to strength and we encourage all members of our community to keep on developing and learning.

Our expert staff have high expectations of themselves, as well as our pupils. In return our academy provides staff with outstanding professional development opportunities which continually improve the outcomes for our children.

We also work closely with families, offering the services of a dedicated Family and Pupil Support team who assist our parents in taking an active role in the life of their children and school.

Honesty and dialogue

At Haxby Road, we value honesty and teamwork. We are fully committed to working with families, governors and colleagues in an open and transparent way. In order to become the best academy that we can, we continually reflect and evaluate our performance and ensure that we are always moving forward to achieve excellence in all areas of the life of the school.

We are always keen to gain feedback on the work we do and pride ourselves on our commitment to listen to staff, children and families and involve them in our school improvement processes.



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This school feels like home. I came here, so did my mum, my grandma and my cousins – and now my own children

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“ I can't fault the care and expertise of the staff: they are so lovely with the children (and us parents!) and provide so many fun activities for them to try.



Belonging

To work together as a community, having a unique and valued part to play within our academy alliance.

An academy within a family of schools

One of the beauties of being an academy is that we are not only part of the family of York schools but also belong to the Ebor Academy Alliance. This alliance means that we work together with our partner academies, getting access to a wide variety of staff expertise, support and resources. We are no longer a primary school working in isolation but are part of a wider family, which ultimately ensures that our children receive the best possible opportunities and provision.

An academy in the heart of the community

Haxby Road Primary Academy serves a diverse catchment area, bringing in a wide range of pupils from the Haxby Road locality. Being located just outside the centre of York, we are proud to have developed excellent links with people within local faith communities, resident groups and also to have secured good links with local organisations such as York Archaeological Trust and York St John University.

An academy which is welcoming to all

We care about making sure that every child and adult feels part of our school community. Throughout the academic year we hold school fairs, social nights, school performances and sports events. Teachers actively encourage parents to be involved in their children's education and each term we offer them the chance to come in and take part in workshops alongside their children. We also have regular parents' evenings and a weekly celebration assembly, which is open to all.

Above all, we want our academy to be a place where children and adults are always welcomed with a smile and are valued for the contributions they can make to the Haxby Road family.



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“ We have been particularly impressed with the Enrichment programme for Years 5 and 6, with our eldest being given the opportunity to try all sorts of interesting activities.

Opportunity

To give, and be given, the opportunities to grow, flourish, and celebrate success.

Specialist teaching opportunities

As an academy we believe that children deserve high quality teaching from staff equipped with specialist training and expertise. As such, we have specialist teaching in Music, Physical Education, Modern Foreign Languages, Cooking (healthy lifestyles) and Forest Schools (outdoor learning). These subjects are delivered by specialist staff who can work across the academy group, ensuring classroom teachers focus on standards in core subjects whilst providing children with expert teaching and opportunities similar to the provision offered at secondary and independent schools.

Enrichment programme

Haxby Road Academy is unique in that it is the first primary school in York to offer an extended school day free of charge for all pupils in Years 5 and 6. These older children stay on at school until 4.30pm each day and have access to an exciting and engaging programme of extra-curricular activities ranging from cookery and film making, to street dancing and music tuition. This successful enrichment programme really does allow our children to try and develop new talents and skills which they may not have otherwise been able to access.

Educational visits

Our location means we are very lucky to be able to offer our pupils access to a wide range of cultural and historical opportunities for educational visits. Our curriculum is regularly enriched with school visits to museums, places of interest and locations within Yorkshire. For our older pupils, we also offer an annual residential visit to an outdoor activity centre and an international school exchange with our Ebor Academy Alliance partner school in Madrid.

Wrap-around care

For those families who wish to access extended care facilities we also offer a breakfast club and after-school club. The clubs are well organised and fun and competitive rates are offered to all our pupils.

Respect

To value, respect and care for others and ourselves.

Our care code

At Haxby Road Primary Academy we have high expectations in terms of behaviour and attitude towards others, ourselves and our learning. We expect all pupils and adults to follow our school rules so that we are all ready to learn, enjoy school and feel safe.

A nurturing environment for all to learn

Our academy has strong expertise in nurturing pupils' emotional and social well-being and we are strongly committed to ensuring that we not only educate each child's mind but also their ability to make friends, care for others and respect each other's individuality.



Ebor Academy Trust

Our academy is part of the Ebor Academy Trust. This is a not-for-profit charity which consists of a group of academies working in partnership.

Our alliance develops strong relationships and trust between all academies, a partnership whereby strengths in all settings are shared, a working-with relationship rather than a doing-to relationship.



We work closely together to establish a partnership model that will benefit all children in all academies which belong to our group. This is an exciting venture, in which

we aim to build a sustainable, dynamic organisation which will provide developmental opportunities for staff in the group and in the wider community.

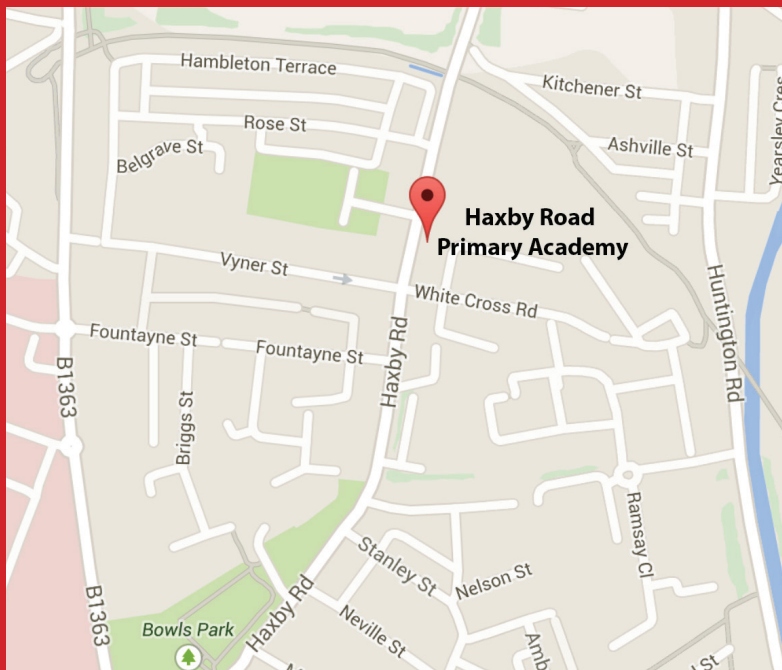
Admissions

Children are invited to attend Haxby Road Primary Academy Early Years Foundation Stage from two to five years of age. Children are able to use their free childcare hours flexibly in the Early Years Foundation Stage and additional hours are also available at a reasonable rate.

Children having their fifth birthday between 1 September and 31 August will join the Reception class within the EYFS in the September of that year, although they are not legally

required to commence until the term after their fifth birthday.

We want our children to be prepared so that they have the best possible start. It is important that they do not enter formal full-time education before they are ready. The academies in the Ebor Academy Alliance will be happy to meet with parents in advance of children commencing education to discuss and agree with parents whether their child should start full-time or part-time in the first instance.



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