



Pennyman Primary Academy

Background Information

Pennyman Primary Academy is part of Tees Valley Education Trust. It is an academy for children aged between three and eleven. There are approximately 420 children on roll including a part time, 39 place nursery.

The academy is located in the community of Netherfields in East Middlesbrough. Its catchment area includes the local authority housing estates Netherfields and parts of Priestfields, and Thorntree. These are all areas of significant social and economic deprivation. The current school building was constructed in the 1970's when Pennyman was created from the amalgamation of two other schools. There has been significant and regular investment in the building so consequently the Pennyman community enjoy an excellent and engaging learning environment. Brambles Primary Academy is one of our sister academies within the trust and is located approximately a mile away. Dormanstown Primary Academy is the other member of the trust and is located in Redcar and Cleveland.

Pennyman is an atypical primary setting. Around 25% of children have Special Educational Needs, and the academy has 55 unit placements for children with physical, medical and learning needs. We have inclusive provision throughout the academy to support children with a range of needs. Some 50% of our pupils are eligible for free school meals, which is above the national average.



In our most recent Ofsted Inspection in July 2014 the academy was judged to be outstanding.

Highlights of the inspection findings were:

- Excellent pastoral care creates a warm and secure environment where excellent relationships flourish. Pupils very much enjoy school.
- All groups of pupils make outstanding progress, including those known to be eligible for the pupil premium, disabled pupils, those with special educational needs and the most able.
- The excellent curriculum provides many exciting and memorable experiences, which spark pupils' enthusiasm for learning.
- Behaviour is outstanding. Expectations of pupils' behaviour are high and result in pupils showing high levels of trust and respect to each other and to adults in the academy.



The academy consists of 3 phases; Early Years Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1, Key Stage 2 and SEND. Each year group is 2 form entry, with an admission number of 54 per year. Within each year group there are both Learning Support Assistants and Care Support Assistant in order to meet the varying needs of all our children.

At Pennyman Primary Academy we are dedicated to making a difference to the lives of the children in our care. Consequently, we are looking for talented and dynamic staff to join our hard-working team. The successful candidate will be expected to work within the established working routines of the academy and those of Tees Valley Education Trust.

We are incredibly proud of our achievements at Pennyman and the opportunities afforded to everyone within our academy.

We look forward to welcoming the successful candidate into the Pennyman Community.

Mrs K Barkley
Head Teacher

