

Arden Primary School

Baker Street
Sparkhill
Birmingham
B11 4SF



Interim Head Teacher: Mrs G. Shergill

Appointment of Headteacher at Arden Primary School:

Additional Information for Applicants

Introduction

Arden Primary School is a three-form entry school with a nursery that serves the thriving community of Sparkhill, Arden Primary School was built in 1970 to accommodate the “overflow” from other local schools. It was built originally as a one form entry school. The intake of the school remained the same until 1982, when there was a shortfall in school places locally. The school then had an intake of 90 children for three years, followed by 70 children for four years. Extra portable classrooms were delivered each year. For many years the school remained a two-form entry school, which has remained full and popular, with long waiting-lists.

Our nursery was opened in 1984 as a 52 part-time place nursery was opened in 1984. It is now a 78 part-time place nursery. The school experienced a major rebuild between 2006 and 2008, and the whole refurbishment was completed at the end of 2008. It has 3 classes in each year. We now have 630 places plus 78 in nursery, places are split into a morning and afternoon session. With waiting lists in all year groups.

Arden is a vibrant, forward-thinking and happy school with high standards and expectations, skilled and professional staff, enthusiastic and well-behaved children and supportive parents and governors. All whom are extremely hard working, committed to raising standards and have consistently high expectations of pupils both academically and socially.

Our last Ofsted inspection was in July 2013, when we were judged by Ofsted to be an **outstanding school**.

Here are a few key quotes from the inspection report:

- ❖ Pupils of all abilities make rapid and sustained progress throughout the school.
- ❖ Children make considerable progress in the Nursery and Reception classes
- ❖ Strong teamwork contributes to the consistently high-quality teaching and learning.
- ❖ Pupils supported by the pupil premium do very well.
- ❖ Pupils behave extremely well and show great respect for the views and beliefs of others. Behaviour around the school and in the playground is excellent.

The interim headteacher and senior leaders are highly ambitious for the school, and take every opportunity to work with others to continually improve the quality of teaching.

The full report can be read below on our [Parents' Information](#) page on www.arden.bham.sch.uk

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Ethos and Values

"Every Child Every Opportunity"

Our Mission Statement

"Arden is a safe and creative environment; a happy, positive, vibrant and forward-thinking community where each child and adult is valued and able to learn, play and achieve."

We believe children need to be skilled in the basic skills of literacy, numeracy and learning, but that they also have a wide range of challenges, experiences and opportunities that develop them as rounded individuals

Our aim is to make learning enjoyable, allowing every individual to achieve their best, nurturing their talents in a safe, secure environment, and providing them with opportunities to learn the skills required to become confident, tolerant, respectful young people, who will be able to contribute positively to the wider British society.

Visitors to our school always comment on the warm, friendly and welcoming atmosphere of the school - we are the 'Arden family'.

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Test Results

Here are our assessment results for **2017** (Academic Year 2016/17).

National figures are in brackets.

EYFS

Progress	Result
Achieving good level of development	63%

Phonics Screening Checks

Year	Pass Rate
Year 1	92%
Year 2 (Re-sits)	63%

Key Stage 1 (End of Year 2)

Subject	Reaching Expected Standard*	Above Expected Standard
Reading	69%	8%
Writing	64%	1%
Mathematics	70%	0%

*Note: The figure for 'Reaching Expected Standard' includes those working 'At' and 'Above' Expected Standard (ie. at Greater Depth).

Key Stage 2 (End of Year 6)

Subject	Reaching Expected Standard*	Above Expected Standard	Average Scaled Score
Reading	65%	11%	101.7
Writing	76%	4%	n/a
Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling	86%	43%	108.0
Mathematics	76%	22%	104.3
Reading, Writing and Mathematics Combined	55%	4%	n/a

*Note: The figure for 'Reaching Expected Standard' includes those working 'At' and 'Above' Expected Standard (ie. at Greater Depth).

Progress

Subject	Average Progress
Reading	-2.72
Writing	-0.81
Mathematics	+0.13

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