

## Livingstone Road Primary Federation

Livingstone Road Infant School and Livingstone Road Junior School

Executive Headteacher: Mrs S Hayward



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Together We Can  
Learn Laugh Dream Grow

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Dear Parents/Carers

The closing date to apply for a Junior School place for September 2021 is 15<sup>th</sup> January 2021. As the time is drawing near for you to make this important choice about the next step of your child's learning, I wanted to introduce myself. My name is Karen Walsh and I am the Transition Lead at Livingstone Road Junior School; I am also the Year 3 Leader and teach Blossom class. I myself moved across to the Junior School from Year 2 in September 2019.

Livingstone Road Junior School has had an amazing journey, over the past few years, since becoming part of the Livingstone Road Federation. In years gone by, the reputation of our Junior School has not always been favourable amongst the community and we are still battling against an old reputation, which no longer holds true.

From the front of our school, it is hard to see the amazing spaces that we have created for your children to learn in, including: new sports surfaces in the playground, new playground equipment, a well-resourced 'Book Factory', Class kitchen, Extensive Field with Forest Schools Provision and privately run wrap around childcare provision on site.

Sadly this year, due to Covid-19, we have had limited time to invite you to tour the Junior School. Instead this year we have an [online virtual tour](#), which will allow you to see the amazing and creative spaces we have at the Junior School. We have also left the [transition videos](#) on our website that we created in June 2020 during our schools partial re-opening, which will give you more information about our fantastic facilities.

All the staff in our Federation work to create an enriching and progressive curriculum that builds from Reception to Year 6, without repetition. Although the schools are on different sites, staff work together to ensure that children can transition without feeling that they have moved schools! There is consistency in policies, teaching and learning practices, learning apps (Marvellous Me, Times Tables Rock Stars, Google Classrooms and more), marking, coat pegs, school uniform, PE kits, house points, marble rewards, to name just a few. This means that all the children and yourselves as parents/carers know exactly what to expect at the Junior School and you know that everything is in place as it is at the Infant school. Together we can Learn Laugh Dream Grow.

We are sad to see any child leave our Federation early as we plan for every child to stay from Reception until they leave Junior School at Year 6. I would love to have the opportunity to talk to you about the Junior School, and answer any questions that you may have about your child moving to Year 3 in September. Even if you have already chosen your child's next school, I would still welcome the opportunity to talk to you about your decision.

If you would like to arrange a Zoom meeting or telephone call with me please call the school office (01202 806806) or email them ([office@livingstoneprimary.org](mailto:office@livingstoneprimary.org)) to arrange a convenient time. I will have appointments on most Tuesdays between 10.00 and 11.00 and after school on Mondays, Tuesdays and Fridays.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Karen Walsh

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