



EVERY CHILD MATTERS,
EVERY MOMENT COUNTS



Barfield School
An Independent Preparatory
School for Girls and Boys



Welcome to Barfield School

How many schools can say with confidence that their children are genuinely delighted to come in every day, are happy to learn, and are secure in the knowledge that the people around them not only care about their education and future, but their wellbeing as well?

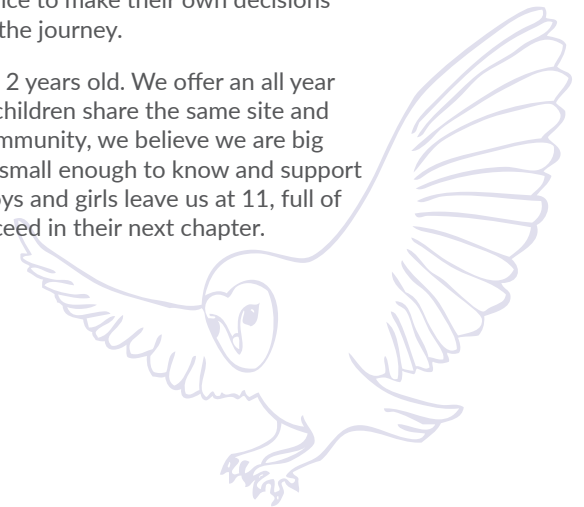
At Barfield, your child always comes first and our personal approach to pastoral care means that we take the time to know each child as an individual. Upon arrival, you will be aware instantly of a sense of family, belonging and of the warmth and support which permeates throughout the whole school.

A feeling of worth is incredibly important for children and we pride ourselves on providing a bespoke and varied curriculum which gives each and every child the opportunity to flourish. Our commitment to education is a holistic one, ensuring that Barfield children grow up to be independent, caring and capable individuals who have the confidence to make their own decisions and we are delighted to support them on the journey.

The Barfield Journey can begin as early as 2 years old. We offer an all year round Nursery and love the fact that the children share the same site and facilities as the rest of the school. As a community, we believe we are big enough to offer diversity and culture, but small enough to know and support every family on an individual level. Our boys and girls leave us at 11, full of wonderful memories and the skills to succeed in their next chapter.

Mr Andy Boyle

Headmaster of Barfield





“ We are very happy to be part of the Barfield family. It is a happy, caring, nurturing environment. There is a focus on the whole child, building confidence while achieving great things.”
– The Freer family



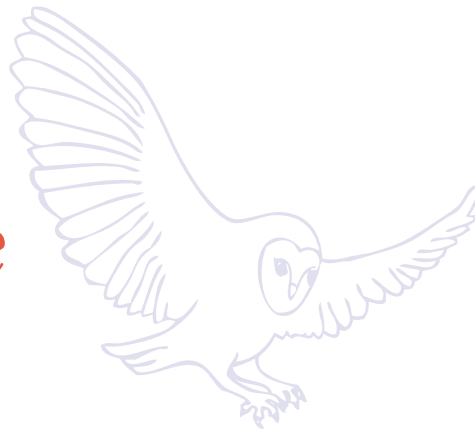
Our vision: Placing your child centre stage

Barfield is a warm, caring, family-orientated school, where happy and supported children go on to achieve great things.

It is our belief that people and relationships are the key ingredients to a prosperous Prep School and here at Barfield we have a wonderful team which prides itself on providing that personal touch. Nothing pleases us more than seeing our children skipping into school each day, safe in the knowledge that when they do hit a road bump, the people around them know them inside and out. Our inspirational teachers encourage your children to be courageous, to ask questions and to remember that it is acceptable to make mistakes as this is our best source of learning.

We embrace the notion that education is always changing and we are committed to providing an experience which is not only academically stimulating, but also reflects the opportunities and challenges which our young children face today. While we recognise the importance of the more traditional academic subjects, our wish is to provide your child with so much more.

Our creative curriculum



Barfield's creative teaching was recognised as 'excellent' in all categories awarded by the Independent Schools Inspectorate and this is why...

We are always incredibly proud of the progress which each and every child makes during their time at Barfield and this is reflected in our 11+ exam results. Our curriculum is a perfect blend of traditional and modern subjects and we are always reviewing the educational experience we offer to ensure we are best preparing the pupils for the road ahead.

The provision of specialist rooms and teachers for ICT, Art, DT, Music, Drama and Food Technology ensure that we offer a plethora of creative subjects from as early as the Nursery. Health and wellbeing are important parts of the jigsaw and our children enjoy participating in a vast number of sporting activities on a daily basis. All children receive swimming lessons in our indoor, heated pool and there are increasing opportunities to play competitive sport as they move through the school.

We are very fortunate to have an award-winning outdoor pursuits department – **Three Peaks Barfield** – which is situated within our beautiful grounds. Our new Treehouse Classroom is an exciting addition and will provide the perfect location for learning to take place outside.

From our outstanding, varied, and inspirational teaching and delivery of our excellent curriculum, your child will gain the confidence to reach their true potential.





“ The teaching is both nurturing and academically rich. Our boys can’t wait to get to school each morning; they are both happy and confident in their learning environment.”

— Mrs Walker



“The facilities and activities available through Three Peaks Barfield are fantastic.”
– Mrs Wooding



Inspiring your child... igniting a passion for learning

Our commitment to education does not start and finish in the classroom. We believe that there are many life skills to be learnt outside and we are committed to the benefits of outdoor learning. We are blessed with a beautiful site and love nothing more than getting on our waterproofs and wellies!

The Three Peaks Barfield Team is incredibly passionate about sharing its love of the outdoors and all the benefits it can bring. Activities include: high ropes, low ropes, climbing wall, quad biking, teambuilding, zip wire and so much more - all of which harness transferable life skills which will be with the children forever. We believe that interacting with nature is so important for today's children and these opportunities provide experiences that will not only last a lifetime, but will also impact positively on their happiness and wellbeing.

Outdoor Education is weaved seamlessly into our curriculum, starting in the Nursery where our littlest ones enjoy weekly visits to our woods to explore, play and learn basic bushcraft skills. As the children move into the Pre-Prep and Prep Departments, opportunities broaden and the children begin to take greater advantage of the amazing Three Peaks facilities and a number of exciting Adventure Activities. In addition to sports fixtures, we also host a number of 'Challenge Matches' which can include anything from tug of war to capture the flag. These are amazing fun and a real highlight.

Putting the extra in extracurricular!



It is our responsibility to provide your children with opportunities, allow them to try new things and then support them as they find something which they truly love.

Children at Barfield are taught from an early age that striking a healthy work and life balance is important. Our hope is that they take full advantage of all the available clubs, activities, trips and events which we provide. In the Nursery and Pre-Prep, participation and enjoyment are the main priorities; however, as the children move through the Prep Department, they have the opportunity to specialise in specific areas and take their passions on to their respective Senior Schools and beyond.

In addition to a wide range of sports, your child may take part in activities such as Judo, Coding, Lego, Triathlon, Adventure, Junk Modelling and Ballet. Clubs are also offered in Music, Art, Drama and DT and parents are regularly treated to concerts, plays and much more.

Trips - both day and residential - are integral to the experience we offer and these can vary from day trips to Birdworld to a weekend in the Brecon Beacons to a week's residential in France and all the things in between. Our programme is progressive and provides the children with age-appropriate opportunities to enhance further their passion for learning and independence.

The Barfield Friends plan and deliver a number of amazing events throughout the school year and we love that the whole school community comes together at these times. Events include: Bonfire Night, Quiz Night, Christmas Market, Summer Fair and Fun Run, Summer Social and much, much more.





“ Pupils make excellent progress thanks to excellent curricular and extracurricular provision and teaching.”
– Independent Schools Inspectorate (ISI) February 2016



“Wherever our children are, they will have our voices ringing in their ears ‘enjoy every moment of your school life, seize every opportunity, do not be blinkered... and who knows what incredible path you will venture down?’”

– Miss Cathy Anderson, Deputy Head of Barfield



After Barfield... Your child's future path

Barfield children leave us and go on to a variety of Senior Schools. We are committed to working with each family to ensure that their next chapter is a perfect fit for the individual child.

As your child nears the end of their time at Barfield, we are here to support you every step of the way in selecting the 'right' Senior School. We are incredibly proud that our boys and girls leave us for a variety of schools and this reflects the individuality which we promote. It is important that when we bump into you in a few years time, you thank us for the time, support and knowledge we shared to make the transition a smooth one.

The feedback we receive from the Senior Schools makes us burst with pride and our relationships with them are well established. Well-rounded, polite, ambitious and kind are just a few adjectives which are regularly shared about our pupils once they have joined their new school. We are delighted to see a number of children offered scholarships each year and this is a fair reflection of the opportunities we provide and the standards which we achieve.

Although we know that no two Barfield children are the same, we are confident that all of them are equipped for a new challenge by the end of Year 6 and our investment in both their academic and pastoral needs ensures that they are ready to spread their wings with the necessary skills to succeed.

How do I apply to Barfield?



We are thrilled that you are considering sending your child to Barfield and we know that you will be very happy with your decision.

Barfield is proud to be an inclusive school that welcomes children from all backgrounds and abilities and your child can apply to join our school at any time during the academic year.

Details of our next Open Day can be found at www.barfieldschool.com or alternatively please do contact us directly to arrange a visit at a convenient time.

For full details on our admission procedure, please visit our website www.barfieldschool.com

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– Parent





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