



the
Study School
and Nursery



NURSERY AND PREPARATORY SCHOOL



Welcome to The Study School

The Study School is a friendly school where we attain excellent results in a warm and nurturing atmosphere.

We are a small school so we all know each other well, and we believe that your child will always learn best when happy, interested and taught by skilled, knowledgeable teachers.

We both stretch and support our pupils so they achieve their best and are confident and positive. We hope you will come and visit us and see why we are so proud of our children and our school.

Donna Brackstone-Drake
Headteacher

"The strength of The Study School lies in its willingness to work individually with each child, supporting and nurturing but also stretching and challenging them when needed. With each of our three children we have been touched by the enthusiasm of the teachers in allowing their potential to blossom whilst instilling the values of kindness, respect and perseverance."

Dr Savi





Academic success

We are unashamedly proud of our strong focus on academic learning and the exceptional results we achieve. Our children do so well because of our close attention to every aspect of their learning, and because we are both rigorous and encouraging.

So while your child will make rapid progress from the day they join us, and we will give them all the preparation they need for entrance to secondary schools, our education is rich, lively and challenging in a far wider sense.

From the Nursery to Year 6 you can see the energy, enthusiasm and joy our pupils bring to their learning every single day.

Key Facts

- > Ages 2 to 11
- > Boys and girls
- > Non-selective
- > Excellent academic results
- > Commended for pastoral care
- > Small classes – average 10 pupils
- > 142 children on roll
- > Breakfast club from 7.45
- > After-school club till 18.15
- > 2016 - 100% pass rate in the 11+





Every child learns differently

We are a non-selective school and our pupils thrive on high quality teaching from teachers who know them well. This is as true for highly gifted children as for children for whom some learning is harder.

This is why we are a small school, with small classes. Our teachers have time to give your child individual attention so they will never be left to struggle or become bored. Whether your child needs extra help with their writing, or to learn Mathematics a year or two ahead of their peers, we will notice, take action and help them learn to their best ability.

Big Writing

Every week we dim the lights, light the aromatherapy candles or switch on the LED lights; play quiet, calm music and write plays and poems, letters and stories. It's great to have time to concentrate on one task and to really enjoy it

"Big Writing has really helped my vocabulary and strength in English." Hannah Clarke, now at Lady Eleanor Holles School





A rich and interesting curriculum

Our curriculum builds your child's skills and knowledge on firm foundations. In our Nursery classes your child will begin to read, use number and write. By Year 6 they will be exploring Shakespeare, writing computer code and chatting in French.

Our programme is carefully designed to be rich and interesting. Science, Mathematics, ICT, English and French are taught by specialists and our teachers work closely together to make connections across their disciplines: if we're learning about the Romans in history, for example, we'll make clay oil lamps in Art and test them out in Science.

We learn this every week in Year 6

- > Art & Design and Technology
- > English, French & Spanish
- > Geography
- > History
- > ICT
- > Writing
- > Mathematics
- > Music
- > PE
- > PSHE
- > RE
- > Science





Parents matter

We like you to be involved in your child's education: in our experience if we communicate well we can achieve remarkable results.

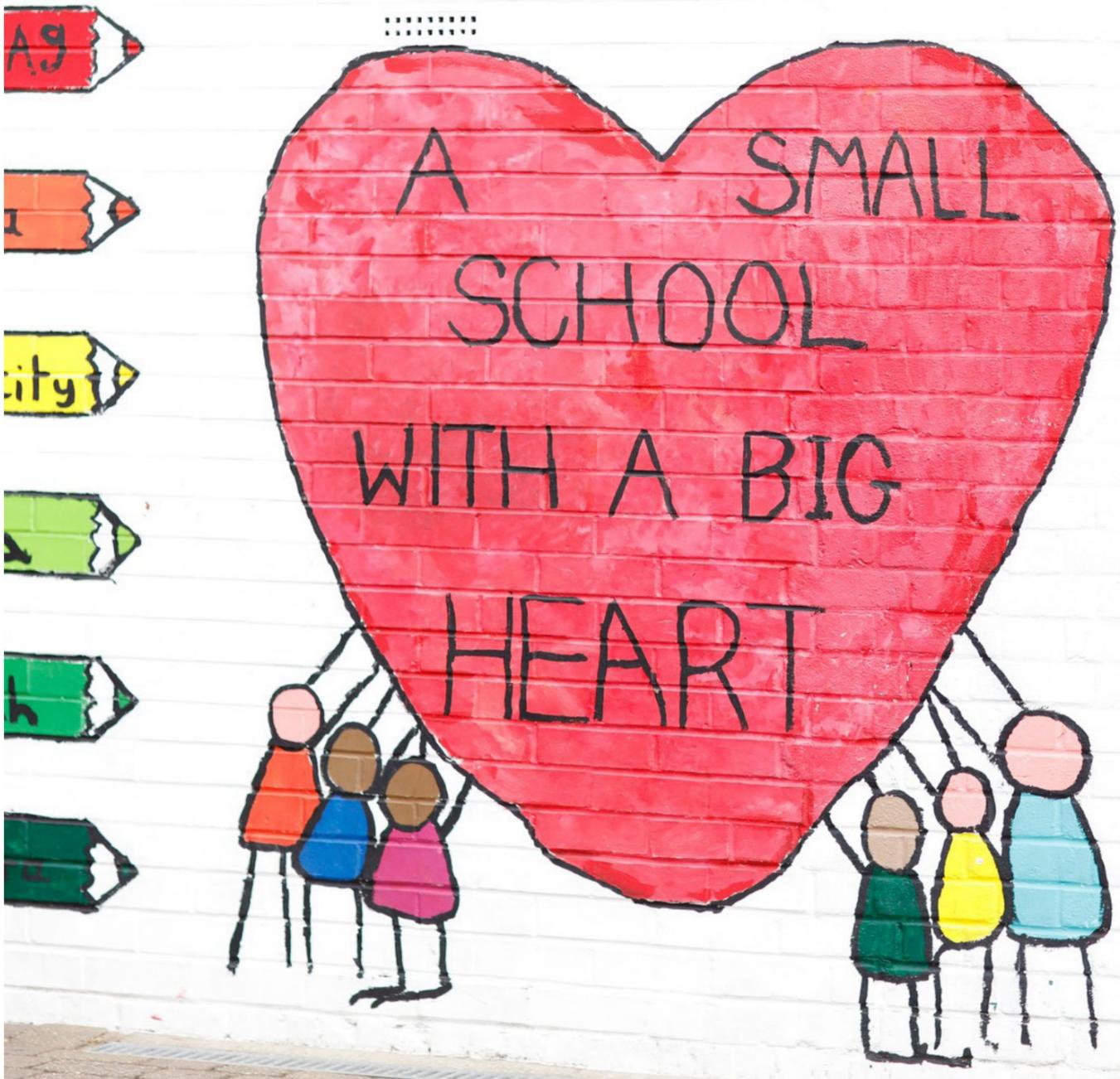
Your child's learning journal is a shared record of activities at school and at home that can help us transform their learning through understanding more about your child's interests.

Alongside the learning journals we have six open evenings a year, and termly reports so you know what your child has been doing and how they are progressing. And our doors are always open to parents who want to speak to their child's teacher or the Headteacher.

"We feel blessed to drop off our children at a school where they're excited to go in every single day. We have two boys with a natural love of learning and it's great to know we've chosen a school that feeds their minds and strikes the perfect balance between being academically challenging and nurturing well-rounded, kind, confident and happy individuals."

Marianna Paton Evans





Active kindness

On their mural our older pupils called The Study School, "A small school with a big heart", and we can't think of a better way to say it.

We'll spot when your child needs a helping hand or a quiet word of support. Our pupils are friendly, and we're constantly moved by the warmth they show for each other.

It doesn't happen by accident: we actively teach and model kindness, generosity and care for everyone. As you child grows older they'll learn to make moral decisions, about how different people see the world, and the important part they can play in their own community.

Celebrating our world

We're a secular school so while we celebrate Christmas, Easter and Harvest festival in our local church, we also mark other important days such as Diwali, Chinese New Year and Eid, and we often welcome parents in to talk about their family backgrounds.





Exploring the world

What does your child love to do? At The Study School they'll experience all kinds of things from growing their own vegetables to meeting a poet or their MP.

We visit museums, galleries and theatres, nature reserves and farms. We might handle fossils at the Natural History Museum or go behind the scenes at the Houses of Parliament.

Our first residential visit is a three-day environmental field trip in Year 4. In Years 5 and 6 we go away for a week's geography field trip and a cultural tour in Europe. There's never a dull moment!

Lunchtime and after-school clubs

- > Art, Board games and Lego
- > Chamber music group
- > Computer programming
- > Cookery, Drama &
- > 11+ Preparation
- > Sculpture
- > Football, Tennis & Sports
- > Junior choir & Senior choir
- > Music theory & Orchestra
- > Quiz club
- > Modern foreign languages
- > Zumba and dance





Thinking creatively

Bringing creativity into the classroom transforms our pupils' ability to make connections, discover things for themselves, and continue learning independently.

That's why you'll see your child learn a poem to help them study light and darkness in Science, and why they won't just study the Ancient Egyptians, they'll make a canopic jar of their own.

Art, drama and music are integral to our curriculum so every child can develop their creative side and see their world in new ways. We perform plays, sing in concerts, and even made sculptures for the Fourth Plinth in Trafalgar Square.

Pick up an instrument (most children do)

- > Brass
- > Cello
- > Clarinet
- > Drums
- > Flute
- > Guitar
- > Piano
- > Violin

"I played Ali Baba in Ali Bab and the Bongo Pirates, and Slack in The Pirates of the Curry Bean. Taking part in these productions really helped me become more confident."

Chirag, now at Tiffin School





Seriously sporty

Sport is fun at The Study School: the children love it, and having a Primary PE Specialist means your child will be learning skills and building strength and fitness at the right pace. They'll also find out about teamwork, winning and losing, and how to persevere when something's hard: we really see the difference in their approach to life as a result.

We're always inclusive in our sport, so your child will have a place in their class team and play in fixtures and we're flexible if they need time out to train or compete at elite level.

Our Sports

- > Athletics
- > Cricket
- > Cross country
- > Football
- > Gymnastics
- > Hockey
- > Netball
- > Rounders
- > Swimming
- > Tag rugby





Beyond The Study School

Moving on from The Study School at age 11 is an exciting time. Wherever our pupils apply to secondary school, they are exceptionally successful in gaining places, and many are offered scholarships.

We often hear wonderful feedback from our pupils' secondary schools, and not only about their academic abilities but also their confidence, readiness to learn and maturity in the way they relate to others. We're very proud of them.

Recent offers of places at 11+ include

- > *Blenheim High School*
- > *Guildford High School*
- > *Kingston Grammar School*
- > *Marymount International School*
- > *Surbiton High School*
- > *Sutton Grammar School*
- > *The Lady Eleanor Holles School*
- > *Tiffin School*
- > *Wallington High School*
- > *Whitgift School*





Applying to The Study School

If you are interested in The Study School for your child, we invite you to visit us to see our school in action. We hold regular open days, and suggest you come and see the children learning during a normal school day if you can.

We do not select our pupils by ability although we may assess your child by observation to see that they will learn happily alongside the other children.

To place your child's name on our waiting list, please complete our simple application form.

There is more information about open days, applying to the school, and fees on our website.

"I have many happy memories of The Study School but if I were to choose my absolute best moment it would need to be our residential trip to France! The teachers were 'boss' (new slang I learned in my new school, which means totally awesome) and the excursions were fun-filled, enjoyable and indeed memorable!" Pupil, now at Sutton Grammar School

[TSS to confirm his name]



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Part of the Inspired Learning Group

“When I started at The Study School, in Year 1, I couldn’t speak a word of English because I had moved to England from Korea. Fortunately my classmates helped me and showed me what to do, so that I fitted in with the others. I feel very grateful to them.

The Study School has helped me to develop my skills and abilities in all types of subjects from academic to sports. It encouraged me to learn in a familiar, comfortable environment where I could increase my level of confidence.”

Inha, now at Lady Eleanor Holles School with an academic scholarship

“Surbiton High School is a great school and I would never have got in without The Study School.”

Amy, now at Surbiton High School

“The spiritual, moral, social and cultural development of the pupils is excellent.”

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