

# Newbottle and Charlton CEVA Primary School Prospectus

Small School, Big Heart

'Let all that you do be done in love'

Our Values



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our school website  
[www.newbottleandcharlton.co.uk](http://www.newbottleandcharlton.co.uk)

# 2025-26

# Message from the Headteacher

Newbottle and Charlton CEVA Primary School is a Church of England Voluntary Aided school. Although our school primarily serves the villages of Charlton and Aynho, we also have many children from the surrounding villages of Evenley, Hinton, Mixbury and Kings Sutton as well as from the town of Brackley.

We are a primary school covering Reception to Year 6 (ages 4-11) and currently have 108 children on roll. The school is funded through the local authority and as a church school we belong to the Peterborough Diocese.

The pupils at our school are polite, happy, hard-working and enthusiastic about their learning. They are kind to one another and go to great lengths to praise, encourage and look after one another. We have a dedicated and committed staff who ensure that all pupils are given the best opportunities to succeed. They all care very deeply about all the children and know each child well. We strive to share with children the right and wrongs of life by following a set of Christian values that are followed by the whole school community. This is clear in our mission statement and values wheel. These values are at the forefront of all our teaching and incorporated into daily life.

We have very strong links with parents and a very supportive parenting community. We believe that for each child to reach his or her potential, a positive working partnership between home and school is essential.

This prospectus is designed to provide you with an overview of our school's offerings, values, and the kind of educational experience your child can expect to receive here. We are confident that you will find Newbottle and Charlton to be a nurturing and inspiring place for your child's education. We were recently awarded 'Outstanding' from Ofsted for our personal development programme supporting children's holistic development.

We understand that choosing the right school for your child is a significant decision, and we are here to support you throughout this process. If you have any questions, would like to schedule a visit, or require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact us.

We look forward to the opportunity to welcome your family into our school community and work together to provide your child with a rich and fulfilling educational journey.

**Mr Peter Pitts-Smith**  
Headteacher

# Message from the Governors

It is with immense pride and enthusiasm that I welcome you to the Newbottle and Charlton Primary School community. As the Chair of Governors, I am privileged to be a part of our wonderful educational institution, and I am delighted to introduce you to our school through this prospectus.

At Newbottle and Charlton Primary School, we are committed to providing an exceptional learning environment where every child can flourish, achieve their potential, and develop a lifelong love for learning. Our dedicated and passionate team of teachers and staff work tirelessly to create a nurturing atmosphere where children are encouraged to explore, inquire, and grow both academically and personally.

Our curriculum is designed to be engaging, relevant, and inspiring, rooted in the Christian faith. We believe in a holistic approach to education that fosters not only academic excellence but also emotional intelligence, creativity, and resilience. Our aim is to equip our students with the skills and knowledge they need to succeed in an ever-changing world.

The ethos of the school is built upon Christian values. We seek to make it a place in which everyone is valued and where they are able to fulfil their potential. There is an emphasis on Christianity but in accordance with the locally agreed syllabus other major religions are taught too, so that our children begin to understand that there are other religious responses to the world. The other religions taught include Hinduism, Islam, Judaism and Sikhism.

Parents have a right to withdraw their children from religious education and collective worship and should inform us in writing if they wish to do this.

As Chair of Governors, I am committed to ensuring that the school continues to thrive, maintain the highest standards, and evolve to meet the needs of our students. We have a dynamic and supportive governing body that collaborates closely with the school's leadership team to set strategic direction and monitor progress, all while keeping the best interests of our students at the forefront.

As you explore this prospectus or view the school on the tour, I hope you will gain an understanding of the incredible opportunities and experiences that await your child at Newbottle and Charlton Primary School. We would be delighted if you become a part of our school community.

**Chris Coopman**  
Chair of Governors

# Why choose our school?

## Key statements from our recent Ofsted report July 2025

- *Parents are overwhelmingly positive about the school. They typically describe it as 'a small school with a huge heart'.*
- *Pupils love coming to this school. They feel valued, listened to and safe.*
- *The school is aspirational for every pupil. Pupils are enthused to learn through interesting topics.*
- *Disadvantaged pupils enjoy the same opportunities as their peers and are supported well to be successful.*
- *Pupils try hard and achieve well in many aspects of their learning.*

We have a broad and balanced curriculum enhanced through enrichment experiences

- School Productions
- Regular whole school and class trips
- Children take part in Forest School
- Residential- Year 3/4 and Year 5/6
- Young Leaders Training
- Visitors- Life Education-PSHE, Atomic Tom, Poets, Theatre productions
- Themed days and weeks- Anti-Bullying week, S.T.EM week, Prayer Space Day, Global Focus Days- Children developing an understanding of their place in this diverse world and the importance of taking caring of our environment
- Pupils lead some of the sports clubs, run the library, lead collective worship, develop ourselves as an eco school
- Run their own business







Technology to support the curriculum and develop  
love science and engineering  
Including: IPADS, LAPTOPS, ROBOTICS KITS,  
ENERGY WALLS



Well stocked  
library





A great start to school life.

We have four classes in school and most are mixed year with two year groups sharing a class. Reception class remain together as one year group which means the class will have a maximum of 15 children. This helps the adults who work with these children to provide a stimulating, supportive environment purely for the early year curriculum to ensure they get off to the right start to their school life.



1:8 Ratio

## Pastoral Support

At Newbottle and Charlton CEVA Primary School we consider good mental health and wellbeing to be fundamentally important and are committed to supporting the emotional health and wellbeing of all the pupils, their families and members of staff and governors. We believe it is vital that all members of our school community know how to look after their mental health and support their wellbeing and that we all have a part to play in supporting each other to do this.

At our school we are:

- Creating shared understanding of what positive mental health and wellbeing looks like for all stakeholders
- Building a culture where people feel comfortable talking about mental health.
- Help children to understand their emotions and feelings better and learn how they can self-regulate themselves
- Help all stakeholders to feel comfortable sharing any concerns or worries
- Help children socially to form and maintain relationships
- Encourage children to be confident and 'dare to be different'
- Help children to develop self confidence, emotional resilience and to manage setbacks
- Support children with social, emotional barriers through providing specific interventions and support
- We offer different levels of support for children in school and have a designated Emotional literacy support assistant who supports children and staff



The Tree house- Our special pastoral support room

## What are the plans to keep improving?

**We are currently developing our curriculum after our recent successful Ofsted inspection, working on , deepening a child's understanding in all areas of the curriculum.**



We are really proud of our outdoor facilities. These include two outdoor learning spaces, a sensory garden, vegetable patch, trim trail, fitness equipment and a forest school area.





## Sports

There is a strong sporting culture in the school and we take part in a variety of events over the year.



### Intra- School Events

All children have the opportunity to take part in competitions within school. These are inclusive and have different focuses. These happen at break and lunch-times through out the year.



We take part in a range of inter-school competitions where children have the opportunity to represent our school are some local events

These include:

- Football
- Rugby
- Netball
- Gymnastics
- Hockey
- Kurling
- Indoor Athletics
- Cross Country

### SWIMMING

Every year children in Year 3-6 develop their swimming skills by taking part in school swimming lessons for 8 weeks



### Wow Days

Special themed Days to promote an active lifestyle and enjoyment

including:

- Skipping
- Skateboard
- Quidditch
- Orienteering

### Extra-Curricular Activities

One of the strengths which is always mentioned by parents and carers are our extra- curricular provision. Each Club runs until 4:20/4:30pm- Some include a small charge.

Each term we have a variety of clubs on offer.

These have included:

- Football
- Basketball
- Gymnastics
- Ballet
- Tennis
- Board Games
- Construction
- Art
- Choir
- Drama
- Cooking
- Coding



### Wrap-Around Care

We have a breakfast Club 7:40-8:40 daily run by school & an After School Club -Until 5:30pm daily run by Rhino Sports Academy.

For further details and costs, please see our website