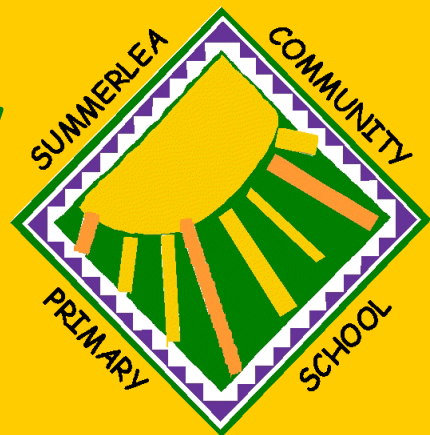


# Summerlea Community Primary School



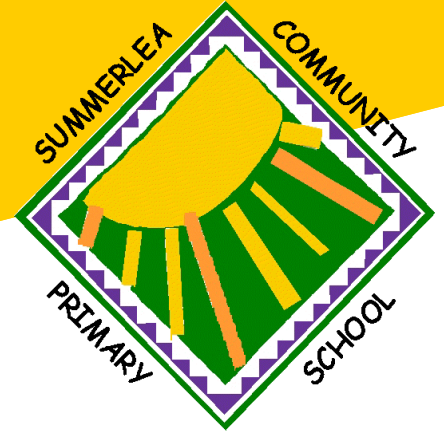
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# Welcome to Summerlea C P School



At Summerlea School we believe that a happy, welcoming, stimulating environment, well organised and embodying high expectations, motivates our children. All staff work consistently hard to ensure that the very best learning environment is provided for our pupils.

We continually pursue high standards of academic achievement. We carefully monitor and track pupils' progress and use this information to personalise learning to meet individual needs. Our strong relationships with all stakeholders in our community allows the children to flourish at Summerlea. We are proud of the individuals that our school grows.

Our **VALUES** are known as  
'The Summerlea Seven'.

Our values are at the core of everything we do. They underpin our teaching and learning and provide an environment which prepares our pupils as confident, happy members of their community.

**"Growing ambition to be individual, independent  
and life-long learners."**

Every unique individual is well-known, cared for, nurtured and supported to do their best. We aim to develop the individuality of each child so they have a genuine voice.

***Did you know...? Our school has recently been awarded the Gold School Games Mark for our commitment and engagement in sport across the county.***



## Accommodation

Summerlea School was built in 1998 and has been extended to accommodate 14 classrooms (each class has a tree name), a hall, a library, an Art and DT workroom, and an ICT Suite, as well as several offices and meeting rooms.

The school building is light and bright and very well equipped. There are two hard surfaced playgrounds, each containing activity trails.

We also have a large field and incredible forest school area - that the children absolutely love!

## The School Day

Our school day begins promptly at 8.30am and finishes at 3.00pm. We open our classroom doors at 8.20am.

The children have a one hour lunch break and a 15 minute morning break. Our EYFS and KS1 children often have an afternoon break as well.



***Did you know...?*** At Summerlea we have four house teams with jewel names: Ruby, Emerald, Sapphire and Topaz.





## Safeguarding

Summerlea School is wholly committed to safeguarding and promoting the wellbeing and welfare of all of our children and we expect all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. We are also fully committed to safer recruiting.

We have a child protection procedures policy in place and this is available from the school office upon request or found on our website.



## Our Team

Teamwork, consistency and support for one another are essential to life here at Summerlea. All members of our staff team are united in the care, support and nurture of our children, enabling them to become respectful, independent, confident citizens of the future.

Our staff team is led by a leadership team consisting of a Headteacher, two deputy headteachers, Senior Leaders and Team Leaders (who are responsible for directly overseeing operations and teaching and learning across the school).



***Did you know...?*** We have Peer Mentors known as Helping Hands available during playtimes to help make playtimes happy and safe.

# Our Golden Rules

★ WE TREAT OTHER PEOPLE WITH RESPECT ★

★ WE LOOK AFTER OUR SCHOOL ★

★ WE ARE KIND, POLITE AND WELL MANNERED ★

★ WE SET A GOOD EXAMPLE TO EVERYONE ★

★ WE SUPPORT EACH OTHER ★



Behaviour has always been of a very high standard here at Summerlea and we work hard to maintain this. We encourage and reward pupils in a variety of ways.

We value the all-round child and many of our rewards are centred around our Summerlea Seven. We are also very focussed on the standards of our work and children have the opportunity to have their work published in the bronze, silver and gold celebration books.

Additionally, children also receive Star Pupil Awards for their achievements which are given out in a whole school assembly every Friday.

Other rewards at Summerlea include Headteacher's termly award certificates,

stickers, classroom shared rewards and 100% Attendance Certificates for classes and individual pupils.



*Did you know...? We have Summerlea Playground Buddies who are outside during playtimes to help make playtimes happy and safe.*



# Creativity

At Summerlea we provide our children with a creative curriculum using 'Creative Kickstarts' and organise special events and days to inspire and engage them fully in their learning.



Our Summerlea curriculum:

- We offer a curriculum that inspires and challenges all learners, ensuring children are well-rounded, empathetic young people who have a thirst for learning.
- We aim to nurture the skills, talents and abilities of all pupils so they leave Summerlea ready for the next stage of their academic journey and beyond.
- Our curriculum builds on pupils' strengths and interests and experiences—developing children's confidence in their capacity to learn and work independently and collaboratively.
- We encourage all students and staff to have big dreams and believe through hard work and positivity they can achieve anything: valuing the ambition of every person—the building blocks for future greatness.



***Did you know...? We hold a careers fair every year where local and national businesses and industries showcase themselves here at school!***

*Did you know? Our personal learning and thinking skills are taught and celebrated here at Summerlea*

## Special Educational Needs

Although we have a dedicated Special Educational Needs Co-ordinator, Special Educational Needs (SEN) at Summerlea is seen as the responsibility of the whole school. We also have a full time pastoral lead to work with our children.

It is our aim to offer an inclusive curriculum, to ensure the best possible progress for all of our pupils, whatever their needs or abilities, and to safeguard and promote the welfare of all children in our care.



## I love my school because...

*"All the staff are friendly and kind..." (Lilly)*

*"Forest school days are the best!" (Ellie)*

*"I love the interesting clubs and opportunities for me to do loads of extra things!" (Emma and Ryan)*

*"It is great learning new things in my class. My teachers always make it so exciting!" (Arthur)*

*Did you know...? Summerlea celebrates its 25th anniversary this year! Come and play a part in the next exciting chapter of the school!*







## METEORS Wrap-Around Care

We have a full wrap around care provision at Summerlea School. We operate a breakfast club and after school club on site in our specially designed rooms. Come and have breakfast from 7.30am and stay at school until 5.30pm Monday to Friday.

Allowing you to work around your child's education is very important to us and the community we belong to.

*There is a charge to parents/carers for this club.*

## Other Clubs

We are very fortunate to have such an enthusiastic staff team who kindly and voluntarily run a number of after school clubs and some lunchtime activities for our children. We also have a number of outside agencies involved in high-level provision at the school including links with Brighton and Hove Foundation, Sussex Cricket, Giants Gymnastics, Premier Education and Sama Karate.



*Did you know...? We have many trophies for our successes in sports! We feel we get the balance between participation and competition just right!*



*"There are lots of fun and exciting trips to go on where you get to try new things."  
(Niamh)*

## School Trips and Visits

At Summerlea, we believe that first hand experiences are essential in giving purpose and meaning to learning. In order to enhance our pupils' experiences and ensure that children understand that learning takes place beyond the school building and grounds, the school arranges a wide range of educational visits and residential trips. Parents/carers are asked to make a voluntary contribution to help facilitate such trips and we welcome the support of parents/carers on our visits.



## Home Learning

Home learning is very important to everyone at Summerlea. We acknowledge that it is a vital role in our partnerships with our parents and carers and want to get it right! We evolve our expectations as the children get older but the fundamentals of reading to your child - and hearing them read to you - remain the most important source of home learning there can ever be. Weekly mathematics and spellings also go home regularly and we want to make sure that the exciting learning journey that your child goes through at Summerlea continues when they get home.

## Forest School

One of the best things about Summerlea is our county-leading Forest School provision. Every year children experience a half-term of forest school sessions led by our level 3 leaders. We believe forest school develops the whole child and gives them life-long skills that employers look for, such as resilience and problem-solving. We can't wait to show you!



***Did you know...?** Every year, we hold an Open Day here at Summerlea for visitors in the Autumn term.*



## Joining Us

West Sussex Education Authority is no longer issuing booklets and paper application forms for admissions to our school. Instead, parents and carers receive a personalised letter detailing their catchment school, how to apply and the national deadline.

An application must be submitted online. Families without internet access at home are able to apply online at libraries for free, but we can also offer any support needed here in school.



***Did you know...?** We have one of the best libraries in the locality and lots of investment has gone into this - we want to become a real 'reading' school!.*



# School Admissions Code

The code places an emphasis on pupils starting in the September following their fourth birthday, as is the current policy in West Sussex, but gives parents the right to choose from September 2011 whether they wish their child to start full-time or part-time, as long as children are receiving full-time education in the term following their fifth birthday.

For the last few years here at Summerlea, we have already given parents/carers the choice of whether they wish their child to be full or part-time in September and we find that this works extremely successfully. Parents still have the right to defer entry to later in the academic year and in such cases, a place offered in reception will be held open for the child for that intake year.

The West Sussex Admissions Policy can be obtained by telephoning 033 301 42903 and information relating to admission procedures can be found at: [www.westsussexgov.uk/education](http://www.westsussexgov.uk/education)



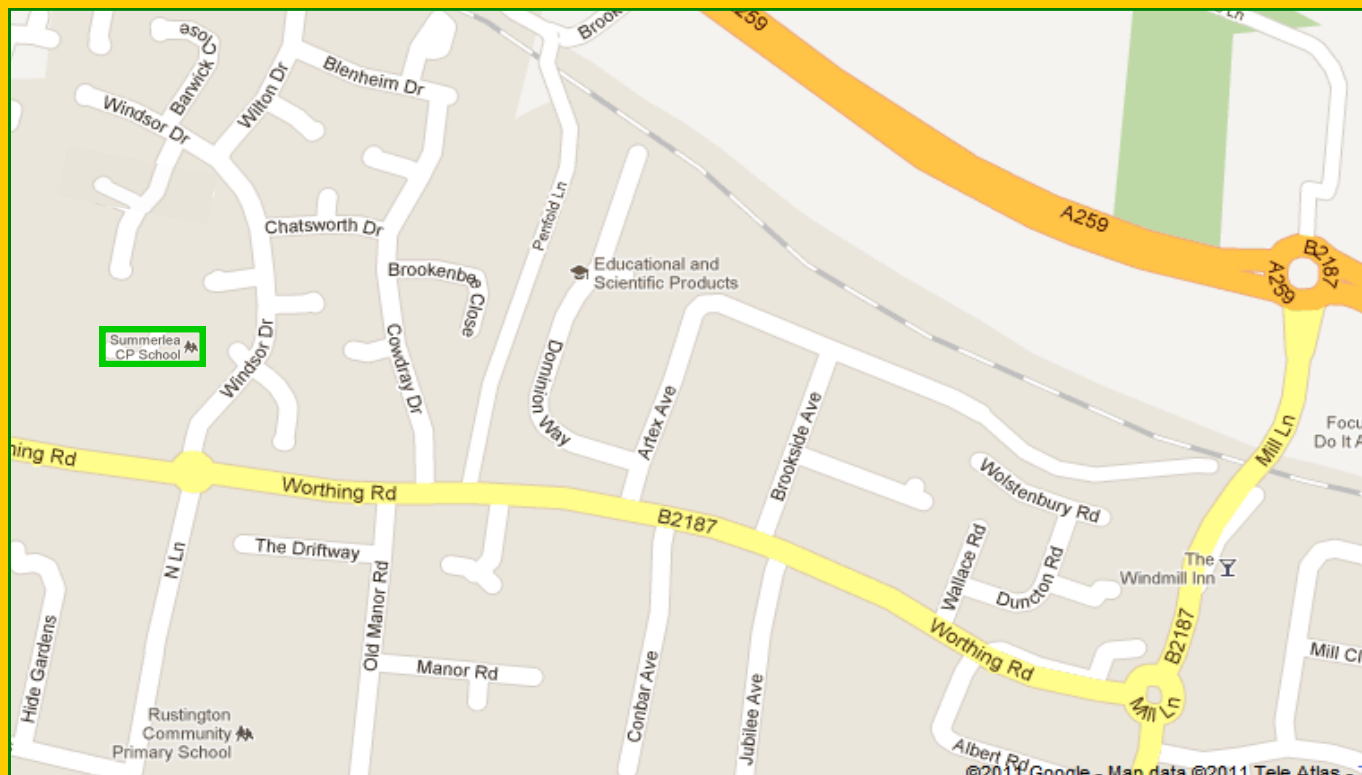
## Summerlea PTA

Summerlea PTA is a group of parents and staff who simply want to help to enhance the school, by organising and running social or fund raising events which happen throughout the year.

Summerlea PTA gives parents a good opportunity to see how things work behind the scenes at school and helps to build good communication and relationships between parents and staff too. We welcome all offers of help and support so please join us! You can contact Helen Bradshaw if you are interested in helping out at.

[summerleapta@summerleaschool.co.uk](mailto:summerleapta@summerleaschool.co.uk)

***Did you know...?** We have raised money in recent months to buy iPads, books, new playground equipment and also paid for some extra training for staff!*



**email: [office@summerleaschool.co.uk](mailto:office@summerleaschool.co.uk)**

## Contact Us

If you would like to arrange a visit to the school, please contact us via email or by telephoning the school office. We also hold an Open Day in the autumn term. For more details and information about the school, please visit our website:

**[www.summerlea.w-sussex.sch.uk](http://www.summerlea.w-sussex.sch.uk)**

