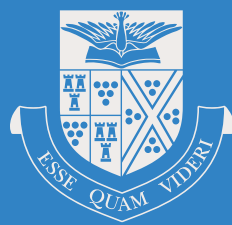
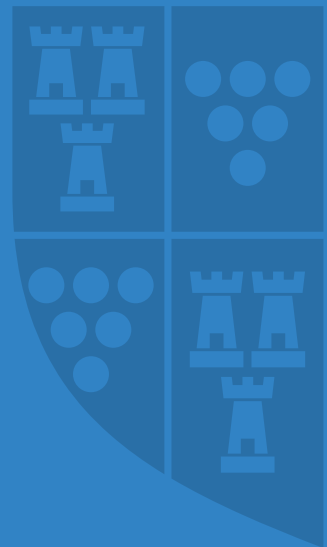


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Truro School Prep & Nursery

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**TRURO
SCHOOL**
PREP



“ Full of Cornish charm, it perfectly balances old-fashioned values with a forward-thinking mindset. There’s a calm and purposeful atmosphere here and pupils are articulate, well-mannered and utterly delightful.”



A welcome from the HEAD OF TRURO SCHOOL PREP

I hope that this prospectus provides you with a glimpse of what makes Truro School such a very special place and entices you to come and witness first-hand the unique ambience that pervades the school.

By all means, be overawed by the beautiful buildings and grounds, or marvel at the vast array of lessons and activities available to the children. Be impressed by the fantastic staff and the first-class results and achievements. But most importantly, come and meet the children; they are, without doubt, the beating heart of this extraordinary environment.



ROB MORSE,
HEAD OF TRURO SCHOOL PREP

Such experiences play a key role in developing the children's confidence and self-belief, and consequently their resilience, their inclination to try new experiences, their understanding of the importance of values such as kindness, respect and service to others. Attributes that will stand them in very good stead during their educational career and when they step into the wider world.

Truro School Prep is a thriving country preparatory school, situated in beautiful grounds on the very edge of the city of Truro. It is a community where children have high expectations of themselves and others.

Academics are, of course, paramount but, against a background of traditional values, every single child is encouraged to achieve their very best in the classroom, on the games field, in the performing and creative arts and throughout the wide variety of activities that are on offer.

I hope the following pages give you a brief insight into life at the school, and I warmly invite you to come and visit and see for yourself how your children would thrive here at Truro School Prep.



“The school is supporting the development of my child both socially and academically.”

PARENT

Our Approach

Founded by Methodists in Cornwall in 1880, our School is a welcoming community in which children and adults can flourish, thrive and be happy. They enjoy being and becoming the very best of themselves.

Our community and its culture reflect our Methodist foundation and our ongoing evolution in an inspiring Cornish setting. In an ever-changing world, we support and challenge young people to thrive – personally, spiritually, academically, socially and physically. We value our pupils in the diversity of their identities, beliefs, abilities, talents, interests, backgrounds and needs. The happiness, energy and wellbeing of our community shapes and inspires who we are and who we can become.

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TO BE, RATHER THAN TO SEEM TO BE

From Nursery through to Sixth Form, the values our community nurtures are:

CURIOSITY

to always want to discover and learn more, academically and more widely too

CONFIDENCE

to build resilience by learning from both successes and failures alike

COMPASSION

to understand and champion the needs of others, in our community and beyond

CREATIVITY

to be imaginative in how we express ourselves and approach new challenges

COURAGE

to enjoy becoming the very best of who we are, with integrity and ambition

“A happy, nurturing school where children receive a carefully balanced offering of excellent academic provision and inspiring extracurricular adventures.”

GOOD SCHOOLS GUIDE





Nursery

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The Nursery offers a curriculum that is both creative and challenging. Our children benefit from highly qualified and experienced teachers who help them to explore, learn and enjoy our beautiful outside spaces.

Our Nursery, which is very much part of the Truro School Pre-Prep, accepts pupils from the age of three, providing the opportunity for your child to benefit from a Truro School Prep education at an early stage.

Located within the secure grounds of Willday House, our Nursery is set in a safe environment where learning comes to life. We believe that an all-round approach to education is essential in helping every child thrive, from the core academics of speaking, reading and writing, to the wider aspects of education such as self-confidence and learning to work collaboratively with others.

As an independent school, we have the freedom to build our own curriculum. Using the Early Years Foundation Stage as a starting point, our specialist teachers make use of the grounds and facilities to bring learning to life. Activities such as Forest School lessons, exploring the Enchanted Garden, learning the basics of foreign languages and developing the children's creativity through bespoke drama, art and music lessons, provide the opportunity for every child to develop a love of learning and to make the most of their own individual talents.

“Caring teachers who truly know and support each pupil’s growth.”

PARENT





Pre-Prep

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Nestled within the grounds of the Prep School, the Pre-Prep is an extremely stimulating and secure environment. The purpose-built classrooms sit alongside the Pre-Prep library, Assembly Hall and playground, and are surrounded by the Enchanted Garden. The Pre-Prep children also benefit from the facilities used by the rest of the Prep School, such as the swimming pool, the woods, the games fields, the sports hall and the outdoor classroom.

Highly qualified teachers and small class sizes enable us to deliver a broad and dynamic curriculum, which wholeheartedly supports the School's high academic standards.

French, swimming, Forest School, mindfulness, PE, music, art and drama lessons augment the core curriculum, and a broad range of after-school clubs provide further opportunity for the children to develop their ability and confidence.

We encourage respect, courtesy and service to others and work with the children to help them develop their resilience and their willingness to engage in new opportunities.

Through strong pastoral care and working closely with parents, we support every child to develop into confident and capable individuals and we ensure that they have plenty of fun along the way.





Prep

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BROADENING HORIZONS WITH THE PREP DIPLOMA

Whilst academics are paramount, we strongly believe in delivering a broad and balanced curriculum. As such, the Truro School Prep Diploma Curriculum reflects achievement in six broad areas:

- Core academics (English, maths and science)
- Humanities (geography, history and religious education)
- Life skills (foreign languages, ICT, presentation skills, food technology and first aid)
- Outdoor activity (PE, games and orienteering)
- Performing arts (music and drama)
- Creative arts (design technology and art)

This broad curriculum facilitates a holistic approach to education with pupils assessed during their daily lessons and routines, as well as through organised activity days as they reach the top of the Prep School.



SPECIALIST TEACHERS

Small class sizes coupled with highly experienced and professional teaching staff ensure that every child has the opportunity to develop into the best version of themselves.

PERSONALISED SUPPORT

Central to this success is strong pastoral care and the School's ability to tailor its support to the individual. Getting to know the children both in and out of the classroom and working closely with parents and carers fosters an environment where children develop into capable, confident and resilient individuals, who have high expectations of themselves and others.

During Years 3 to 6, pupils' learning is accelerated with the addition of specialist subject teachers. These teachers are introduced in Year 3, where they work alongside the class teacher. Subject specialists teach every lesson from Year 4 onward.

“Pupils demonstrate a great depth of understanding across the curriculum. They possess a strong, secure knowledge in many subjects and are able to apply such knowledge extremely well.”

INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS INSPECTORATE





Beyond the curriculum

As part of our commitment to developing the whole child, we recognise the importance of providing a wide range of exciting, challenging and enjoyable co-curricular activities. These opportunities are fundamental to ensuring that each child discovers and develops their talents alongside their independence and self-belief.

A diverse programme of early-morning, lunchtime and after-school clubs and activities provide the opportunity for every child to participate, regardless of their ability. Workshops, trips and visits provide further experience, inspiration and opportunity, and we make the very most of our location in the heart of the Duchy

of Cornwall. Camps and residential trips (both home and abroad) offer additional opportunities for enjoyment whilst helping to develop the independence and confidence that will be essential as they move on to the Senior School and into the wider world.

“ A brilliant environment with committed teachers and exceptional co-curricular opportunities.”

PARENT





Performing arts

Drama and music make a significant contribution to Truro School Prep life and the performing arts are held in high regard. Working individually, in small groups and ensembles or at whole-school events, children have the opportunity to develop their talents, gain confidence and enjoy the experience of performing in front of an audience.

MUSIC

Music is an integral part of Truro School Prep life. Every child receives two lessons of class music each week. During their time in Year 4, every child learns a musical instrument and specialist instrumental teaching staff lead these lessons.

Additional specialist instrumental tuition is also available across a large range of musical instruments and voice. Performance opportunities are many and varied, and a high percentage of the children enjoy playing or singing in one or more of the school's many ensembles including a number of choirs, the orchestra, brass group, woodwind group, string group, guitar group and samba band.

Truro School is very proud of its partnership with Truro Cathedral. The boy choristers of Truro Cathedral are all educated at Truro School Prep before completing two further years at the Senior School. These choristers have earned an international reputation for outstanding quality, performing and recording in Truro Cathedral and throughout the county and country.



DRAMA

Drama is highly valued at Truro School Prep and every child receives a weekly drama lesson as part of their regular curriculum. Pupils are given the opportunity to further their development through LAMDA speech and drama coaching and examinations.

Each year group performs an annual drama production, where every pupil has the opportunity to develop their performance and stagecraft skills whilst building their confidence and their ability to work collaboratively with the cast.

A highlight of the annual calendar is the Year 6 production, which is performed at the Burrell Theatre. The quality of the production is breathtaking, and the process is a perfect opportunity for the Year 6 children to work closely with each other and to cement relationships as they near the end of their time at the Prep School.



Sport, outdoor activity and life skills

As part of our drive to provide a broad and balanced curriculum, we ensure that every child has the opportunity to engage in sport, outdoor activities and life skills throughout the regular curriculum. This provides the opportunity to develop a wide variety of individual and collaborative skills, to develop confidence and self-belief and for the children to gain a great deal of enjoyment from their experiences.

PARTICIPATION AND SPORTSMANSHIP

Truro School Prep is blessed with impressive sporting facilities and a team of professional, experienced and enthusiastic coaches. Instruction is given in the major games (football, netball, rugby, hockey, cricket and athletics) alongside a broad range of sports including swimming, tennis, badminton, gymnastics, orienteering, basketball and cycling.

A comprehensive and competitive fixture list runs throughout the major sports for Years 3 to 6 and we seek to provide opportunities for every child to participate and contribute. Learning to win and lose graciously and to show respect and consideration for both teammates and opposition is an essential aspect of sport at Truro School Prep.

THE BALLERION AWARD

Pupils in Year 5 are given the incredible opportunity to complete the Ballerion Award, a new environmental award programme set up and run by Truro School Prep. The programme includes cycling along the coast-to-coast trail and exploring the industrial archaeology of Bodmin Moor. Pupils must also complete a self-guided conservation project and period of service to the community. The Award encourages awareness and responsibility for the natural environment, in a spirit of fun, adventure and exploration.





“ Builds confidence,
kindness and strong
character in every child.”

PARENT





A safe and fulfilling environment

Outstanding pastoral care for the children and trusted partnerships with parents and carers are the bedrock of the children’s happiness and fulfilment during their time at Truro School Prep.

Our team work to the very best of their ability for the betterment of every single child, recognising them as unique and special individuals whilst providing emotional and spiritual development within a safe and supportive environment.

Our Methodist principles guide us as we work to establish a community of mutual trust and respect and a place where traditional values, good manners and service to others is encouraged and celebrated. Our friendly School Chaplain leads regular assemblies and, as part of our pastoral support team, is always on hand to provide additional support and assistance.

PSHEE

During their time at Truro School Prep, the pupils learn about the wider world through the Personal, Social, Health and Economic Education programme. These regular sessions provide age-relevant information on topics such as friendships, relationships, online safety, staying healthy and how to help. Topics are further enhanced through themed assemblies, lectures from visiting speakers, trips and excursions.

“A happy, safe setting that fosters togetherness and general well-being.”

PARENT





Settling in

Starting a new school can be daunting for any child. In order to make the process as smooth as possible, we host a number of transition events and activities for new starters. This provides the opportunity for children to experience 'a taste' of Truro School life and to make new friends in a relaxed atmosphere.

Taster days take place throughout the year, allowing your child to dip their toe into the water before leaping in. A typical taster day will involve the new pupil being guided by one of their peers, sitting alongside them during lessons and activities and accompanying them at breaktimes and lunchtimes.

AND MOVING ON...

As your child approaches the end of their time at the Prep School, we provide a range of opportunities for you and your child to meet the Senior School staff and to visit the Senior campus. This process begins in Year 5 and gathers pace as the children move through to Year 6 to ensure that the children are fully prepared to thrive as they step into Senior School life.

“My team and I are here to make sure that the welfare of your child is monitored each and every day. I look forward to meeting you in the near future to discuss your child’s seamless introduction to Truro School Prep.”

HEAD OF PASTORAL CARE



Next steps

We hope that the information within this prospectus has been informative and helpful and has provided a taste of what Truro School Prep has to offer.

We welcome your questions in person, over the telephone or via email and contact details can be found on the back cover of this brochure. However, the best way to gain an understanding of the School is to come and visit, and to see for yourself how your children would thrive here at Truro School Prep.

CONTACT THE ADMISSIONS OFFICE

Our admissions team are always on hand to answer any questions relating to your child's entry. They are also able to provide you with details about forthcoming admissions events and private tours.

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We look forward to hearing from you.

ATTEND A TRURO SCHOOL PREP OPEN EVENT

Our annual Open Morning is a perfect opportunity to visit and talk to the pupils and staff about life at Truro School. There will be the opportunity to participate in a range of exciting and enjoyable activities, to tour the School, view the pupils' work and learn more about our passion for delivering a broad and balanced education.

PRIVATE TOURS

We are pleased to welcome parents for a tour of the school at mutually convenient times throughout the year. These tours provide the opportunity to meet the Head and key staff, as well as to witness the School in action.

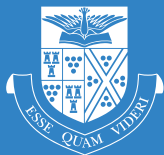
COMPLETE A REGISTRATION FORM

The first step in the process of any admission is to complete the online Truro School Prep registration form.

With many year groups nearing or at capacity, we encourage you to make contact and we are always happy to answer any questions relating to the registration process.

Applications for future years are very welcome and we will endeavour to keep you informed as to all Truro School Prep news and events.





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