



Recruitment Pack 2022/23



Welcome to Brackenfield School

Founded in 1977, we have been Harrogate's Prep school for over 40 years. This is long enough for our school to witness the circle of life! We are now welcoming parents who were once pupils here themselves. Margie Sutcliffe, the founding Head, established a family ethos at Brackenfield that now lives on in perpetuity. More than anything else, children are happy and cared for here; we are an extended family.

- Joe Masterson, Headteacher



About Brackenfield

Brackenfield is an independent Prep School for children aged 2 - 11. Situated within a 5 minute drive from the centre of Harrogate, Brackenfield prides itself on its warm and caring atmosphere. Our hardworking staff and family-centred ethos allow our pupils to achieve the best possible outcomes.



Our Aims

At Brackenfield, we have four main mission areas:

- Curriculum & Learning
- Activities
- Outdoor Education
- Community

These mission areas provide a clear focus for all that we do. Our attitude and behaviours are underpinned by our six core values: Kindness, Honest, Respect, Initiative, Perseverance and Confidence.

Through our Mission and Values, we aim to inspire a love of learning. We want every child in our school to be happy and confident. Our teachers identify and deliver learning opportunities for pupils to best acquire a vast knowledge base and to develop the learning skills which ensure academic, personal, social and emotional success. We strive to make the most of individual talent, and we expect every child to leave our school as an independent learner, ready for the next challenge.

#Curriculum & Learning #Activities
#OutdoorEducation #Community

The Nursery

Ms Katie Kerr - Head of Nursery Department

Between the ages of two and four, pupils are cared for in Brackenfield Nursery. They feel secure and valued in a happy, stimulating environment where the foundations are laid for the rest of their education.

There is a busy yet relaxed atmosphere, and the carefully structured programme encourages:

- The development of social skills
- The rapid development of communication, language and literacy
- Physical development
- An understanding of the world around them
- Creative and imaginative play





An exciting place to work

Our dedicated staff at Brackenfield create a vibrant and exciting place to work, just 5 mins outside of Harrogate.

All our dedicated staff members are focused on ensuring that they deliver the very best for our children.

We are part of Forfar Education, the first and only all outstanding/excellent-rated schools group in the UK. This has stemmed from hard work, a focus on the detail and making sure that there is a clear vision and roadmap for each of our schools. Forfar is also the first school's group in the world to commit to being net carbon zero in five years.

This all ties into being an exciting place to work. We hope you will be as excited as we are to be part of such a great team.





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