

# East Bergholt CEVC Primary School



'I have come that they might have life, and have it to the full' John 10:10

Welcome to East Bergholt CEVC Primary School. As the headteacher, it is a privilege to give you an insight into the vibrant life of our school, the work of our pupils and the quality education we deliver.

At East Bergholt we are a Church of England school, and deliver a Christian vision of education – not a Christian education. We nurture spiritual growth for all. The Christian Values of generosity, compassion, courage, forgiveness, respect, thankfulness, trust, perseverance, justice, service and truthfulness are central to the ethos and work of the school. We are very much part of the village of East Bergholt and we attach great importance to the close partnership that exists between home, school and St. Mary's Church.

East Bergholt is a diverse and creative community, where every individual is cherished, talents are nurtured and excellence prevails. Our aim is to provide the highest quality education for all in a caring, supportive, vibrant and inclusive learning environment.

We believe that effort, perseverance, challenge and determination are the characteristics of good learners; we strive to embed and celebrate these characteristics. We are very proud of our family atmosphere and strive to provide the highest quality education with a secure and caring environment. We believe that our children should not only reach their best academically, but also develop a thirst for knowledge and a lifelong love of learning.

If you would like to know more about our school, you are very welcome to come and visit.

**Mrs Clare Sampson**  
Headteacher



# Vision Statement

**East Bergholt Primary School will:**  
Provide an environment where children are nurtured and encouraged to be the best that they can be.

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**Christian Vision:**  
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(John 10:10)



*Relationships reflect the love, respect and responsibility at the heart of the vision. All members of the school community are celebrated as unique and special.*  
*SIAMS inspection 2019*

*A Christian school is one in which the entire atmosphere is pervaded by a conviction that there is something potentially wonderful in everybody.*

*Archbishop of Canterbury*

## **A Christian Vision of Education**

**'I have come that they might have life and have it to the full  
(John 10:10)**

We seek to educate our children for fullness of life, to work to fulfil their God-given potential, whether they or their family identify with a faith or not.

We are committed to developing the whole child and all children are valued as unique and individual with precious gifts.

Our Christian ethos underpins a secure and supportive community. Local elders from St. Mary's Church visit regularly and contribute on many levels. Home, school and church links are very strong.



## Our Children

At East Bergholt CEVC Primary School we value the uniqueness of all our children and establish an ethos that develops the 'whole child.'

The children are encouraged to take risks and develop a Growth Mindset. They are encouraged to be inquisitive lifelong learners who question and explore the world around them. Our nurturing staff ensure that all our children feel safe, secure and are able to aspire to be the very best they can be.

# Environment

East Bergholt Primary School is a small, family school with a village atmosphere and an excellent reputation for behaviour and politeness.

There is a strong sense of tradition alongside innovation and up to date learning and teaching strategies. Although the school has a Christian ethos, there are many children on roll who practise other faiths or none. We welcome all children whose families want them to experience the caring ethos of the school.

Our learning environment is child centred and empowers independence. We have inspiring classrooms, an allotment, a dipping pond, mini orchard, fully stocked library, cooking spaces, piano room and a large sports field.

*The school develops pupils' enjoyment of learning by providing a broad range of subjects and experiences to capture their interests. Leaders ensure that the curriculum is promoting pupils' spiritual, moral, social and cultural development, including fundamental British values, well, through a strong Christian ethos and links with the local church.*

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# Curriculum

We are proud to offer the CUSP (Curriculum with Unity Schools Partnership) curriculum, which engages and enthuses our pupils. CUSP is connected, cumulative and coherent.

Our broad and balanced curriculum includes a rich diet of language and vocabulary. We have high expectations and children are encouraged to develop their skills both as independent and collaborative learners. Our curriculum is enhanced through enrichment opportunities, visitors, school trips and themed days. Our curriculum covers the requirements of the National Curriculum 2014.

At East Bergholt the curriculum is carefully differentiated to ensure that every child can be stretched and supported whatever their ability. Teachers track pupils' progress carefully and use this to inform their day to day and medium term planning.

# Beyond the Curriculum

## Enrichment

The extensive range of extra-curricular activities offered to pupils continues to be a real success of our school. Our children have the opportunity to take part in a range of clubs like gardening, street dance, sports, yoga, arts and crafts, French and choir. Please see our school website for the current range of clubs and enrichment opportunities available.

## Sporting Activities

Pupils at East Bergholt Primary School participate in a wide range of sports both within the curriculum, and as extracurricular clubs. We recognise that sport should be enjoyed by children at every level, but we also appreciate the value of nurturing a natural and friendly competitive spirit in our children.

## After School Club

Our after school club is run by Young Explorers Nursery (next door to the school). It runs from 15:20 until 18:00 (children are provided with a light tea.) This popular resource provides parents, carers and guardians with wrap around care as required.





## Our Community

We are very proud of the amount of help and support that parents, carers, guardians and parishioners give to the school.

This support ranges from listening to children read, accompanying us to St. Mary's Church, going on school trips, cheering us on at sports events, attending assemblies and other events. We also have a fantastic PFA who work with the school to raise funds to enrich our children's learning experience.

We work very closely with our feeder secondary schools to ensure a smooth transition for the children when they reach the end of the primary phase.

# Achieving Full Potential

**East Bergholt is very proud to be an inclusive school.**

Meeting the needs of all our pupils is a priority. We are ambitious, always, for children to achieve their very best. Our high expectations of work and behaviour are shared by the children's parents, carers and guardians and together, we work in close partnership to ensure that standards are consistently high.

At East Bergholt Primary School we want all of our pupils to experience the joy of success in and out of the classroom. There is a strong focus on individual learning through personalised learning goals. Academic progress is recorded and monitored regularly when targets are set to create an ethos of achievement so that every child realises their optimum potential.

We have an inclusive approach to meeting the needs of pupils with Special Educational Needs/Disability and welcome pupils who need additional support with their learning. We carefully monitor the progress of all pupils which allows us to identify needs and inform provision. We provide support within the classroom as well as additional interventions where appropriate and work closely with outside agencies and families of children with additional needs to ensure that all children make good progress.



Kind  
Safe  
Respectful

‘East Bergholt Primary School is a well-managed school; the staff are all very friendly and helpful and it’s lovely to see the headteacher and deputy head outside each morning to greet parents and pupils when they arrive at the school.’

Parent Quote to Ofsted 2019

Governors provide strong support for the school and have a first-hand view of its work through regular visits. The work of school leaders, with effective support and challenge from governors, has strengthened the capacity of the school on its journey towards becoming an outstanding school.

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