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Empowering Learning
through Positive and
Creative Education



Welcome to **Neptune School**

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Head Teacher's Welcome

Thank you for taking an interest in our exciting new Neptune School based in Warmley. I am privileged to have been appointed Head Teacher where every child is nurtured and supported to achieve their individual goals.

We are an inclusive school that celebrates diversity and recognises that every child is different and unique. We are committed to treating all members of our community with empathy, understanding and respect. We pride ourselves on offering a safe and nurturing environment where students can feel supported and safe to reach their full potential.

We will provide an enriching and exciting curriculum for students who have social, emotional and mental health difficulties, which will enable them to access their education successfully and to reach their full potential and achieve their goals. We will include opportunities for our students to explore and develop their individual passions and interests and to find success in areas of personal strength. This will include academic subjects, sports and learning outside the classroom.

We will be a restorative school, where therapeutic practises are at the heart of all that we do. We aim to create an atmosphere where the Phoenix HEART values of Honesty, Empathy, Respect, Aspiration and Teamwork are woven into everything that we do for our students and their families. I look forward to working closely with all our stakeholders and with the wider community to bring this exciting vision to life.

Shane Villa-Hayes
Head Teacher



Neptune School at a Glance

- Smaller class sizes of:
1 teacher, 1 teaching assistant & 4 students
- 25 places, mixed gender
- In-house integrated therapies team
- Key stage 2-3
- 1:1 support available
- Broad and balanced curriculum offer



Aims and Ethos

The Phoenix values of Honesty, Empathy, Aspiration, Respect and Teamwork underpin everything that we do here at Neptune School. We endeavour to use the best innovative practices to make learning inspirational, engaging and relevant.

Neptune School in Warmley is an independent, co-educational school which provides day placements for children and young people that challenge conventional mainstream provisions. The school caters for children and young people in key stage two and three who experience difficulties associated with social, emotional and mental health development, speech and language development, or who may have been exposed to trauma and/or adverse childhood experiences.

We aim to:

- Promote a culture where students feel safe, secure and have a voice.
- Help and encourage students to take responsibility for themselves and their actions.
- Provide students with appropriate specialist support and interventions.
- Provide students with individualised academic and therapeutic learning plans, which focus on development of: Emotional Literacy, Independence, Cognition, Creative and Expressive, Physical, Sensory skills.
- Increase self-esteem, self-regulation and independence.
- Help students develop positive relationships with others
- Provide students with the independence to prepare them for life once they move on to KS4 or the world of work.
- Provide a broad, balanced and relevant curriculum that meets each student's needs and focuses on Linguistic, Mathematical, Scientific, Technological, Human and Social, Physical, Aesthetic and Creative education.
- Know our student's strengths through robust base lining and assessment rigorous monitoring and celebrating small steps of progress.
- Provide students with the skills to keep themselves safe.
- Provide all students with a high quality education regardless of their background, gender, sexuality, religion or race.
- Work in partnership with parents, carers and other professionals as an effective multidisciplinary team.

Our students may also have additional developmental impairments, including autism, that impact upon their emotional health and wellbeing and create barriers to learning. We deliver a personalised curriculum, which, where possible, acknowledges the national curriculum and meets the individual needs of our students, whilst also supporting them to meet the outcomes identified in their EHCPs.

Our goal is to provide access to the best academic outcomes possible, as well as preparing our students for adulthood and the next stage of their education by equipping them with the skills required to achieve personal success

Neptune School offers a holistic, therapeutic and individualised approach to learning that is oriented towards the needs of the student. It is our belief that how we teach is fundamental to the success of our students and we use a range of strategies to enable our students to feel safe enough to learn.

Lessons are carefully planned around the individual learning and developmental needs of our students. Our focus on building positive and trusting relationships and a sense of belonging enables our students to develop the skills and knowledge they need to access the full school curriculum.

At Neptune School, we have forged strong relationships between school staff, parents, carers, social workers, local authorities and other agencies, in order to ensure that each student is supported in the best way possible. We believe that our students will make the most progress when they feel safe and are enjoying school.

We celebrate all successes, however small, so that students know what they are achieving and are able to recognise their own positive contributions to school life.



Learning Environment

At Neptune School, we offer a calm and friendly learning environment where students are able to grow in confidence and flourish. Class sizes are small and all students have access to autism friendly classrooms, attachment and trauma aware staff and calming spaces where they can unwind and take some time out, if needed.

We offer students a stimulating learning environment through the use of modern teaching methods, on and off-site enrichment activities and the use of innovative technology and teaching practises.

Therapeutic Approaches

At Neptune School, we use Therapeutic approaches in order to help students build trusting relationships and feel safe in the school environment. Initial assessments highlight the developmental needs of our students and allow us to build a package that will help them to make progress socially and emotionally, as well as academically. We work closely with parents and carers to help support students to reach their potential.

Neptune School is able to access support, advice and consultation from the Phoenix Group Integrated Therapies Team as well and through referrals to CAMHS and local authority support.

Our Integrated Therapies Team is multi-disciplinary and includes clinical psychology, educational psychology, speech and language therapy, occupational therapy, counselling, behaviour support and play and arts therapies.

Additional therapeutic packages can be outsourced and offered to students such as Equine Therapy, Forest School and Family Interventions.





Curriculum

Neptune School offers students a holistic, broad and balanced curriculum which allows students to grow academically, vocationally, socially, physically and morally.

When a student starts their learning journey at Neptune School, we assess their academic, developmental and emotional needs. A learning programme will then be designed in order to help them succeed.

Literacy and Numeracy are the main focus of every morning and students are taught in small groups, or 1:1, allowing teachers to target their individual literacy and numeracy needs.

Subjects Offered:

- English
- Maths
- Science
- Humanities
- Outdoor Education
- Art & Textiles
- Citizenship
- ICT
- Physical Education
- Music
- RE / Cultural studies
- Cookery
- PSHE

Main policies are available on our website and all others are available on request.



Contact us

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Neptune School adheres to the values of the Phoenix Learning and Care Group: Honesty, Empathy, Aspiration, Respect and Teamwork - our values that go to make the HEART of Phoenix.