



A Guide to the Schools in the Rother Valley

The Rother Valley Family

The River Rother rises in Hampshire, flowing east through West Sussex to join the River Arun at Stopham. The Rother Valley schools are dotted along its course. This leaflet is designed to introduce you to the wide range of schools in the Rother Valley family. Open out the leaflet to see where we all are.

Schools working together in the Rother Valley

The Rother Valley schools work closely together and their headteachers meet regularly. Several pairs of schools have more formal partnership arrangements.

Amberley CE School and St James' CE School in Coldwaltham are federated primary schools, sharing a headteacher and governing body. To the west, Graffham CE Infant School and Duncton CE Junior School also work as federated schools. Children aged 4-7 are taught at Graffham whilst the 7-11 year olds attend Duncton. The schools, three miles apart, also share a headteacher and governing body. Recently, Rake CE Primary and Rogate CE Primary School have begun to work in partnership, sharing a headteacher, SENCo and school business manager.



Midhurst Rother College

We are proud to be part of the Rother Valley group of schools. Our values for the school community at MRC are **respect, happiness and achievement** and we seek to live these every day. We work very closely with primary schools in the locality and have great links for transition when children move from primary to secondary school.

Church schools within the Rother Valley

The twelve schools with CE in their titles are Church of England schools.

Amberley CE Primary School (10)

Amberley School is set in beautiful surroundings close to the South Downs. It is a small school with a high reputation for its caring, inclusive family ethos based on Christian values. We ensure that, whatever a child's abilities, our teaching is tailored to ensure that they advance and grow. The school is federated with St James' School in Coldwaltham.

Mr Jon Gilbert - (01798) 831612 or office@amberley.w-sussex.sch.uk



Bury CE Primary School (10)

Bury is a small rural school situated between Arundel and Pulborough. We are very proud of our stunning location, using it to enhance all aspects of learning. We have close links with the Church, National Trust and Chartered College of Teaching. See our Twitter feed, @BuryCEPrimary, for the latest exciting news.

Mr Thomas Moore - (01798) 831502 or office@bury.w-sussex.sch.uk



Camelsdale Primary School (30)

Camelsdale Primary School provides a "Flying Start to a Learning Life" for 221 4-11 year olds in the very north of our locality. It is proud of its fantastic grounds, its memorable learning journey and its focus on independence, caring and enthusiastic fun. Why not come and see what we do?

Mrs Sarah Palmer - (01428) 642177 or office@camelsdale.w-sussex.sch.uk



Duncton CE Junior School (Lavington Park Federation) (20)

Overlooking the South Downs, our large field including amphitheatre, pond and garden offers extensive outdoor learning and Forest School. A wonderful teaching team supports three Junior classes, working to ensure pupils achieve their potential based on their own interests. We foster strong links with our families, supporting emotional and academic needs.

Mrs Helen Martin - (01798) 342402 or office@dunctonjunior.org.uk



Easebourne CE Primary School (30)

Easebourne CE Primary School enjoys a beautiful location with extensive grounds and an attached nursery. We value independent learning and are proud of our creative and evolving curriculum. Pastoral support, citizenship and our partnership with the church and village communities are key priorities. Come and see what makes us different.

Johnny Culley - (01730) 813266 or office@easebourne.w-sussex.sch.uk



Fernhurst Primary School (30)

Fernhurst Primary School is a growing, one form entry Primary School with classes from reception to year 6 and a pre-school on site. We are situated in the Heart of the South Downs National Park and have a nurturing, inclusive ethos. We also offer both breakfast & afterschool clubs.

Mrs Gill Richardson - (01428) 653144 or office@fernhurst.w-sussex.sch.uk



Fittleworth CE Village School (20)

Fittleworth CE Village School is a popular rural primary school which places itself at the heart of the village community. Our dedicated staff embrace a Christian Ethos and deliver a broad, rich and balanced curriculum which is fun and memorable. We strive to develop happy, confident and independent learners.

‘Learning to Love, Loving to Learn’

Mrs Deborah Burnett - (01798) 865419 or head@fittleworth.school



Graffham CE Infant School (Lavington Park Federation) (20)

Two Infant classes work flexibly together to provide appropriately challenging learning opportunities, personalised to ensure pupils achieve their potential based on their own interests. We maximise use of our beautiful rural surroundings, and children spend considerable time learning outside in Forest School. We foster strong links with our families, supporting emotional and academic needs.

Mrs Helen Martin - (01798) 867324 or office@graffhaminfant.org.uk



Harting CE Primary School (20)

Children are at the heart of Harting School. We aim to be a ‘learning family’, within a Christian ethos, and to develop happy, confident and independent learners. Our talented teachers provide challenging learning opportunities to promote curiosity, creativity and physical development along with moral and personal skills.

Fiona Mullett - (01730) 825388 or office@harting.w-sussex.sch.uk



Hollycombe Primary School (15)

“Where Children are Happy and Achieve”

At Hollycombe we aim to combine engagement and discovery with academic rigour. Our children work happily together and enjoy a wide range of activities including Forest School. We work hard to find the best ways of learning so that every child can succeed.

Mrs Louise Pearce - (01428) 741332 or office@hollycombe.w-sussex.sch.uk



Midhurst CE Primary School (30)

MPS is a family school where children feel secure, happy and valued as individuals. We are a Forest School, have high expectations for children’s learning, personal and social development and produce enthusiastic, motivated, creative and imaginative learners. Our Christian distinctiveness ensures that kindness, tolerance, trust and forgiveness are encouraged at all times.

Mrs Sally Clarke - (01730) 813526 or office@midhurstprimary.co.uk



Northchapel Community Primary School (15)

Northchapel is a small, rural primary school serving a wide catchment area in an environment of outstanding natural beauty. We have a creative, rich and varied curriculum, a focus on outdoor learning through Forest School, our own high quality swimming pool and a passion for music and singing.

Ms Deborah Coggin - (01428) 707352 or office@northchapel.wsussex.sch.uk



Petworth CE Primary School (30)

Our children are inspired, nurtured and challenged with JOY at the heart in all that they do as they strive to achieve in a lively academic environment. Our learners are challenged by a creative curriculum, which gives them a positive attitude on their early steps of academic discovery.

John Galvin - (01798) 342369 or office@petworth.w-sussex.sch.uk



Rake CE Primary School (15)

Rake School is a small village primary school with an outstanding reputation. We offer an exciting and engaging curriculum where pupils' individual talents are nurtured - there is a huge emphasis on learning through having fun. Our environment includes a swimming pool and a two acre woodland for Forest School activities.

Mr David Bertwistle - (01730) 892126 or office@rake.w-sussex.sch.uk



Rogate CE Primary School (15)

Our school community is often regarded as a family and we pride ourselves on understanding each child individually. We provide a learning environment which enables every child to achieve high academic standards, to develop an understanding of self and others and, within a Christian framework, to care about the world.

Mr David Bertwistle - (01730) 821329 or office@rogate.w-sussex.sch.uk



St James' CE Primary School, Coldwaltham (15)

St James' C.E. Primary School takes advantage of its beautiful surroundings within the South Downs National Park. We are a small school with a caring ethos who take pride in providing learning opportunities tailored to the needs of all. The school is federated with Amberley School.

Mr Jon Gilbert - (01798) 872196 or office@st-james-coldwaltham.w-sussex.sch.uk



Stedham Primary School (15)

Stedham Primary is a small, rural school with 4 classes rated Good by OFSTED in January 2018. We offer an exciting curriculum including regular enrichment and trips to enhance learning. Our school ethos focuses on independence, motivation, creativity, confidence and responsibility. Our whole school community strives to achieve these things.

Mr Malcolm Meaby - (01730) 813522 or office@stedham.w-sussex.sch.uk



(15) = PAN of 15

The published admission number or PAN, as it is commonly referred to, is the number of pupils in each year group that the admission authority has agreed will be admitted without causing problems for the school.