



Candidate Information Pack



HUNTER HALL

PREPARATORY & PRE-SCHOOL



Welcome

Thank you for your interest in working at Hunter Hall School. Hunter Hall is a forward-looking prep school on the edge of the Lake District where children enjoy the space and support to succeed academically, develop as individuals and grow in self-confidence.

We know that fundamental to the success of every child is the strength of the relationships that the children enjoy with their teachers, as well as with the wider school community. Happy children who feel a genuine sense of belonging will thrive, and so the wellbeing of every child is at the heart of everything we do. We encourage the children to be kind and empathetic, and we support them in becoming resilient and resourceful when faced with challenges.

Only by visiting our school will you get a true sense of the happiness and engagement of our children, and the warm and supportive environment Hunter Hall provides.

This is a great school in which to work. We are small, dedicated team and the staff all support one another. I wish you every success in the recruitment process, and I look forward to receiving your application

Paul Borrows
Head



Who we are

Hunter Hall is a school like no other.

Housed in 19th century farm buildings in the Eden Valley, we combine specialist teaching, small class sizes and a tranquil rural setting to create a unique learning environment where children can learn, grow and become the best that they can be.





Our approach

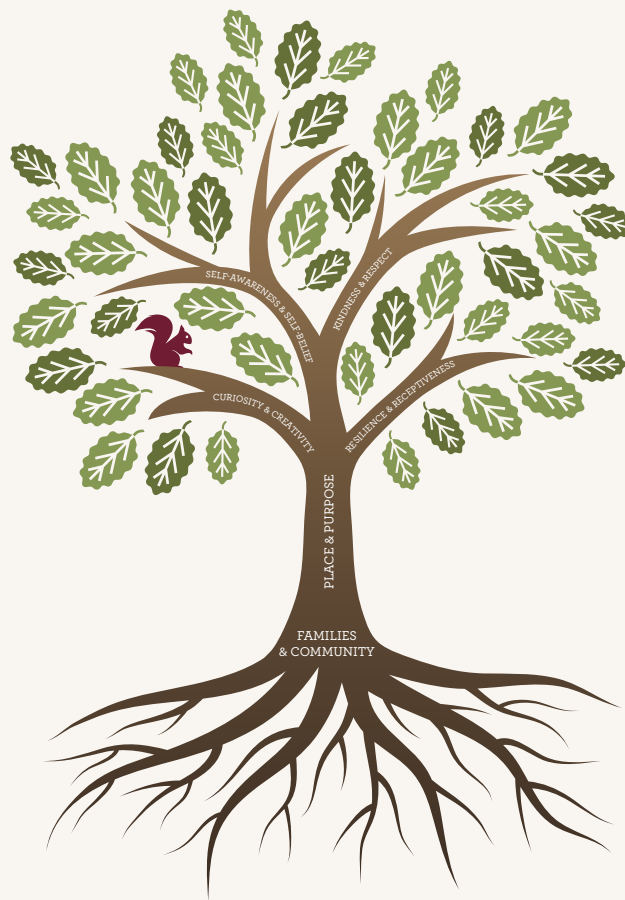
Hunter Hall is first and foremost a family school. Our families are at the heart of our community, and as a school we greatly value their contribution in making Hunter Hall a unique place to learn and grow up. Fundamental to the success of every child at Hunter Hall is the strength of relationships between the children and their teachers. We know that happy children who feel a genuine sense of belonging will flourish in everything they do. What is more, we know, and value, every child as an individual, and work with them as individuals to ensure they fulfil their potential.

As well as ensuring all children feel a profound **sense of place**, providing them with a safe and happy environment in which to learn, we also want all children to enjoy a real **sense of purpose** in everything they do. Whether it be in the science laboratory or on the stage, when problem-solving in Maths or on the sports field, we want the children to engage purposefully in all that they do, understanding that the more that they actively engage in learning and school life the more rewarding it will be for them.



Our values

As a prep school, we are true to our name and always have one eye on a more distant horizon. We are looking ahead to what comes next, to the challenges that the children will face when they move on from Hunter Hall. Our values are intended to ensure that the children are able to thrive at secondary school and beyond.





Our values

Kindness and respect

In everything that we do, we recognise that empathy and consideration of others come first. We also recognise the importance of respecting school property and equipment as well as the wider environment.

Resilience and receptiveness

We understand that making mistakes and **overcoming challenges** are a fundamental part of both learning and growing up, and we recognise the value of persevering and being open to a different way of seeing things.

Curiosity and creativity

We recognise that the **joy of learning** is rooted in both curiosity and creativity. The exhilaration of exploring and discovering new ideas never leaves us, nor does our appreciation of the freedom to approach learning in our own way and to express ourselves as individuals.

Self-awareness and self-belief

We understand that through self-awareness, we are able to determine our own path and strive for our own goals. Self-belief gives us the confidence to **achieve our goals**, supported by those around us



School structure

Pre-school

The school benefits from an integral pre-school facility very much based in the core of the school building, children are able to take part in all aspects of the school day and benefit from the wider facilities the school has to offer. Although there is no formal expectation for children to move into Reception, we encourage all families to explore the option. As a teacher-led facility we are able to support children from an early age to explore opportunities with first class facilities around them.

Lower school

Here we take children on the journey from pre-school into a more formal school setting. Developing skills through topic based learning as well as exploring life outside the classroom. Children are actively encouraged to engage through all aspects of learning, discovery, new communication and play.

Upper school

Specialist teaching delivered in subject specific rooms

We call the final four years at Hunter Hall School - Upper School. From 7 - 11 years, as children progress through Years 3 - 6, teaching is largely from specialist teachers (entirely, in the final two years) - meaning pupils are extremely well prepared for the next stage of their education.



How to apply

To apply, please complete an application form and return this along with a covering letter to office@hunterhall.cumbria.sch.uk. Any enquiries may also be directed to the same email address.

All applications will be acknowledged by email. If you have not received acknowledgement that your application has been received within two working days of sending it, please contact the school office by telephone on 01768 891 291.

Hunter Hall School is committed to safeguarding and protecting the welfare of children. Applicants must be willing to undergo child protection screening appropriate to the post, including checks with past employers and the Disclosure and Barring Service.



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