

St Mary's Primary School Contextual Information – '2023-24'

Date Updated: September 2023

Executive Headteacher: Mr James Procter

Head of School: Mrs Jane Robinson

Senior Teachers: Mrs Victoria Mnady

Chair of Governors: Mr Alan Brundle

DfE No: 114553 **DfE No:** 8453326

Local authority: East Sussex

Type of Federation/Partnerships: Pioneer Federation of 4 schools and Nursery

Age range of pupils: 4-11

In March 2020, the School achieved a 'Good' with outstanding elements Ofsted inspection.

<https://pioneerfederation.co.uk/stmarys/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/10133184-St-Mary-the-Virgin-CofE-Primary-School-114553-Final-PDF.pdf>

The Pioneer Federation consists of 4 Primary schools and has an outward facing approach to school improvement. The Executive Head now splits his time equally between the 4 schools and the 4 schools work very closely & collaboratively in all aspects of school development- e.g. shared subject leadership, combined budget etc. East Hoathly Primary federated with Chiddingly Primary in November 2015. In September 2017 the federation went to a soft partnership with St Mary's CE Primary in Hartfield and Federated in September 2018. In September 2020, the federation went into a soft partnership with Park Mead Primary and they joined the Federation from September 2021.

The Pioneer Federation has an outward facing approach to school improvement and are active members of local school Alliances. We have a very dedicated talented staff team who have impacted greatly and leaders are blossoming in their leadership roles.

After a period of staff stability at SMV (2019- 2023), from September 2023 there are 60% teacher changes and a new Head of School and Senior Teacher. These changes were due to maternity leave and staff seeking to gain experience at other Pioneer Schools.

Mrs Jane Robinson was appointed as the full time Head of School at St Mary's from September 2023. She is a qualified SENCo and was previous an Assistant Principal in a large 'outstanding' Primary School in Sussex. In 2022- 23, there had been a Co-Head of School leadership model in place- previous HoS (pt) and Senior Teacher stepping up.

Teaching & Learning Improvement initiatives have impacted on standards in the school & federation. Over time, outcomes are inline or above NA with some exceptional attainment/progress records e.g. 2023 KS2 Reading outcomes were the strongest in East Sussex (attainment and progress) and in the top 5% of schools nationally.

2022/23- all teaching was good+ and 40% of teaching and learning was outstanding. The expectation would be that the levels of outstanding will rise 80% outstanding in 23/24.

St Mary's and Pioneer Leadership effectively managed 'Covid Lockdowns' and the 'Recovery Curriculum'. See website folders: <https://pioneerfederation.co.uk/stmarys/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/SMV-Recovery-Curriculum-2020.pdf> <https://pioneerfederation.co.uk/stmarys/category/coronavirus-updates/>

We believe that St Mary's Primary School is at present an '**Good School**' with aspirations to be fully outstanding in the near future.


<p>Is there stability in leadership? In staffing? What is the profile of staffing? See above contextual information 2020-23</p>	<p>SLT: Exec Head, HOS, Senior Teacher, Inc Manager 5 teachers (Reception (job share), Year 1-2 , Year 3-4 and Year 5-6) Subject Leaders across the federation</p>	
<p>How does the school work across the EIP/Alliance/Federation and through NLE and other outreach roles?</p>	<p>Part of the Ashdown Alliance and EIP Subject leaders lead their subject across the Pioneer federation. HOS leads RE Senior Teacher leads Maths Reception teacher leads EY across the Federation Y1/2 teacher leads Thrive ExHT part of small sch LA committee and undertakes NLE work for LA – supporting other sch in E.Sussex</p>	
<p>Pupil Information:</p>	<p>Total on roll</p>	<p>81</p>
<p>Reception (Maple)</p>	<p>11</p>	
<p>Year 1/2 (Cherry)</p>	<p>Year 1: 10 Year 2: 13</p>	
<p>Year 3/4 (Willow)</p>	<p>Year 3: 13 Year 4: 15</p>	
<p>Year 5/6 (Lilac)</p>	<p>Year 5: 7 Year 6: 12</p>	
<p>Gender</p>	<p>Boys: 47(58.1%) Girls: 34 (41.9%)</p>	
<p>What % of pupils come from the village?</p>		
<p>Hartfield</p>	<p>47 (57%)</p>	
<p>Edenbridge</p>	<p>22 (26.8%)</p>	
<p>East Grinstead</p>	<p>11 (13.4%)</p>	
<p>Crowborough</p>	<p>2 (2.4%)</p>	
<p>Upper Hartfield</p>	<p>2 (2.4%)</p>	
<p>Nutley</p>	<p>1 (1.2%)</p>	
<p>Forest Row</p>	<p>1 (1.2%)</p>	
<p>Withyham</p>	<p>1 (1.2%)</p>	

	Cowden	1 (1.2%)
	Blackham, Tunbridge Wells	1 (1.2%)

Vulnerable Groups: Make up of pupil population:

	St Mary's	National Average
Minority ethnic groups %	7 (8.5%)	NA 33.8%
FSM/PPG	11 (13.5%)	NA 20.8%
SEND	23 (28.3%)	NA 14%

	No. boys		No. girls		% of class	PPG	No. boys	No. girls	% of class
	SEN Support	EHCP	SEN Support	EHCP					
R- 11	0	1	0	0	9%	R- 11	0	0	
Y1 – 10	1	1	1	0		Y1 – 10	1	0	
Y2 – 13	3	0	1	0		Y2 – 13	0	1	
Y3 – 13	3	0	2	0		Y3 – 13	3	2	
Y4 – 15	2	0	1	1		Y4 – 15	2	1	
Y5 – 7	2	2	0	0		Y5 – 7	0	0	
Y6 -12	2	0	0	0		Y6 -12	0	1	

Current Staffing:	Name										Post Held		
	Mr J Procter											Executive Headteacher	
	Mrs J Robinson											Head of School, DSL (Federation RE lead)	
	Mrs V Mandy											DDSL, Senior Teacher & Year 5 & 6 Teacher (Federation Maths lead)	
	Mrs C Pike & Mrs N Fry											Year 1&2 Teachers (Federation Art and Thrive leads)	
	Mrs A Surtees											Year 3 & 4 Teacher (Federation Read Lead)	
	Mrs R Boldero											Reception Class Teachers	
	Mrs M Neville											Teaching Assistant	
	Miss N Bews											Teaching Assistant	
	Mrs C Trengove											Teaching Assistant	
	Mrs K Carpenter											Teaching Assistant/INA	
	Mrs A Sharp											Forest School Assistant/Lead	
	Mr A Huggett											IT Technician	
	Mrs S Leahy											Inclusion Manager	
	Mrs J Wicks/Mrs F Wylie											Pioneer Federation Bursars	
Mr M Wysocki											Caretaker		
Mr A Elphick											PE Coach (& CEO of 'Active Education Sussex')		
Mrs A Funnell											School Secretary		
School day Timetable	8:40-8:50	8:50-9:00	9:00-9:30	9:30-10:30	10:30-10:45	10:45-11:00	11:00 – 12:00	12:00 – 13:00	13:00-13:15	13:15 – 15:15	15:15		
	School gates open	Registration	Spelling, Phonics or reading	<i>Maths or Literacy</i>	Playtime	Assembly	Maths or Literacy	Lunch time	Love Reading time	Afternoon learning	Home time		
Documented evidence of the work of those responsible for governance and their priorities, including any written scheme of delegation for an academy in a MAT	https://pioneerfederation.co.uk/about-the-governors/  Scheme of Delegation - Pionee												
A summary of any school self-evaluation or equivalent	https://pioneerfederation.co.uk/stmarys/ofsted-lead-inspector/												

