

Working at Castle Primary School

Tiverton is an attractive Devon market town, set between Dartmoor and Exmoor and surrounded by rolling countryside.

There is a good selection of high street stores, independent cafes and well known supermarkets. The town's history is fascinating and many of the old historic buildings remain.

There has been a school on this site since 1909 but in 2017 the original school was replaced with a modern building and the grounds are being remodelled to meet the needs of a 21st Century curriculum.

Our close proximity to the town and its amenities means staff can make use of their free time to meet in a coffee shop, have lunch by the river or pick up some groceries.



There is a pretty castle, which dates from 1106 and the river Exe runs through the town.

The Grand Western Canal is an oasis of calm, meandering 11 miles from Tiverton to Lowdells and is popular with walkers and cyclists.



Tiverton Castle



Grand Western Canal, Tiverton

We also use our local area to enhance our curriculum with regular trips for all year groups. Photos of our trips can be found in the Gallery section of the website.

Transport links are excellent with Junction 27 of the M5 and the main railway line at Tiverton Parkway both only 10 minutes away.

We are part of the Tiverton Learning Partnership, a co-operative trust of 12 local schools. We are fortunate in having a pre-school on school site, offering care from 0 – 4 years as well as holiday clubs. Sandcastles Pre-School, whilst independent, works with us to provide a smooth transition into

school for our reception pupils. We are also improving links with other pre-school providers in the locality and provide organised activities at our school on a termly basis.

Our breakfast Club is very popular and free to all on a drop in basis each morning. A toasted bagel is provided for children from 8.30am. After school clubs are a mix of free clubs run by teaching staff and activity sports clubs run by a Saints South West sports coach. Regular after school care for children with working parents is provided by Sandcastles Nursery, which is on school site and holiday cover can also be booked in advance.

Green Credentials: Our lovely modern building has double glazing and gas central heating and we have been awarded a C Energy Performance Rating. We have an array of solar panels to reduce our electricity bills and we encourage a culture of recycling; including batteries and used biro's.

Fund raising events are organised and run by volunteer parents and are always great fun and low cost for all the family. These include:

- Halloween Disco
- Christmas Market
- Easter Egg Hunt
- Summer Fete

Proceeds are largely used to subsidise trips and activities, including a visit by a theatre company every Autumn Term, to enrich the curriculum and our pupils' experiences.