



“A place for children to thrive”



Brambles Prospectus

Welcome from Kate Guymer – Head Teacher

Brambles, our resource provision for children who have Social, Emotional and Mental Health Needs as their primary need, has been 5 years in the making and is now developing into a calm, safe sanctuary where children can flourish. I hope you enjoy the relationship you have with us and that together we achieve great things for your child

Introduction

Brambles is a resourced provision at Paddox Primary School which offers an alternative way of working to support primary age children with Social Emotional Mental Health (SEMH) needs in Rugby. We particularly support children whose primary need is related to attachment and early childhood trauma.

There will be a maximum of 10 children who have SEMH needs. Brambles offers a 'home from home' environment to support mainly children aged 4 – 7.

Brambles is staffed by a well-qualified team which consists of a full-time teacher, two TA's Level 3 and SENDCo and is overseen by the Headteacher of Paddox Primary School.

The Brambles Vision

Our aim is to build positive relationships with the children who attend Brambles. We will provide a therapeutic approach to their learning so they are able to overcome their barriers and enjoy success both emotionally and academically.

Thank you for considering Brambles for your child. We know that the standard model of schooling doesn't fit for every child so we are delighted to have a Resource Provision as part of our school, enabling us to offer a bespoke nurturing environment where children can regulate and achieve their individual successes.

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The Brambles Team

 A portrait of a woman with blonde hair, wearing a black top with floral lace sleeves, smiling.	<p>Hi, I'm Kate. I am the headteacher now at Paddox. I started here in September 2022 and have really enjoyed getting to know everyone at Brambles. I have worked in schools for more than twenty years which makes me exceedingly old but it never stops being exciting to work with children. At home, I have two daughters and two cats which keep me busy. I look forward to popping over to see how you are getting on and hope that you will come and visit me in my room too.</p>
 A portrait of a woman with blonde hair, wearing a green polka-dot top and a black cardigan, smiling.	<p>Hello, I am Vicky. I am one of the deputy head teachers at Paddox School. I started here in September 2023 and have loved spending time in Brambles getting to know you all. I am lucky enough to be teaching each week in Brambles when Joel has his planning time. I have worked in schools for 13 years and my background is in supporting children with special educational needs. When I am not in school I like to take long walks with my dog, Wilson.</p>
 A portrait of a woman with dark hair, wearing a leopard print top, smiling.	<p>Hello, I'm Jackie and I am one of the deputy headteachers here at Paddox. I started as a class teacher at Paddox in 2016 and I have just taken on the role of deputy headteacher. I am looking forward to seeing the Brambles children and getting to know them more.</p> <p>Outside of school, I enjoy spending time with my two children and my dog Snoop.</p> <p>I hope to see you and some examples of the excellent work that you complete this year.</p>

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Hello my name is Joel, I have been a teacher for 8 years and have worked at Paddox for 7 of them. I also came to Paddox as a child so I haven't travelled far! I have a range of experience across different year groups and have loved each year group I have experienced. Brambles is a special part of Paddox and it is great to be part of the SEMH team supporting and developing children's ability to be the best version of themselves. Outside of school I enjoy spending time with friends and family, cooking and baking and just a little bit of relaxing if there's time!



Hello my name is Salina, I have been part of the Paddox team for 14 years. Most of that time I have worked as a 1 to 1 Teaching Assistant with many different children. I'm excited to be part of the Brambles team and bringing the skills and experience I have gained over the years. I love being creative and enjoy sewing I also like spending time outside.



Hello. I am Jenny and I have been working at Paddox School for 5 years now as a Teaching Assistant. I really enjoy working with children as I am a big child at heart and love to fill each day with as much fun and laughter as possible. When I am not in school, I love doing arts and crafts, baking yummy cakes and working on our allotment with my two girls.

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Hello! My name is Nicky. I have been working at Paddock School for 3 years now. I began my Teaching Assistant career as a 1:1 supporting in the main school and have loved working at Paddock ever since. I am excited to be part of the Brambles team now and look forward to working with the children and seeing them thrive. My interests include walking my dachshund Maggie, arts and crafts and spending time with my two children.



Hi! I'm Beth and I am currently covering the main SENCo role as a maternity cover. I work across both the Paddock and Brambles site. My background is in Special Educational Needs, and I worked and trained in special schools for a number of years before moving to Paddock. I love doing anything arty and creative! Outside of school I am a keen netballer and love to keep active - I have high hopes for a mini Brambles squad one day!

Our Ethos

At Brambles as part of the Paddock School community, we aspire for everyone, celebrating the strengths and unique qualities of every member of our setting. We deliver this through the following values.

Belonging

Every child and every adult who enters Brambles belongs here.

Reliable

We rely on each other and are here to help.

Aspirational

We aim to unlock the potential in your child and help them achieve.

Mindful

Each day we take time to reflect and think about our day.

Be kind

We do our best to understand each other and treat each other with kindness.

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Listen

Everyone in Brambles feels heard – we take time to listen to each other.

Empathy

We hold space for one another.

Safe support

We create a safe space in Brambles.

Where is Brambles?

We are situated in Hillmorton in Rugby. Brambles is purpose built centre which is on the site of Paddox Primary School. It is a light, spacious and welcoming space. Children at Brambles have the opportunity to eat, cook and bake together in our



fully functioning kitchen. Your child can also relax and enjoy some quiet time in our sensory den or work with friends in our play room. We have a dedicated space for sensory circuits which becomes our open space 'Rainbow Room' where children can use the space to run, jump, move and explore how they wish. We also have a great outdoor space for learning, playing and even growing our own fruit and vegetables! We also have a lounge area to work in and a home room where children work towards academic targets and take part in more formalised teaching and structured activities.

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A typical day in Brambles

9.00 – 9.30 drop off, lunch choices and sensory circuits

9.30 – 10.30 maths and handwriting.

10.30 – 11.00 snack time/choice time.

11.00 – 11.30 phonics and comprehension

11.30 – 12.00 English

12.00 – 12.15 choosing/lunch prep

12.15 – 1.00 Lunch including outside play/choice time

1.00 – 1.45 PSHE/topic/therapies

1.45 – 2.00 choice time/home time prep.

2.00 - 2.15 Home Time

Schools Meals

A hot lunch will be provided by the school kitchen and will be served by Brambles staff in a family dining setting unless you wish your child to have a packed lunch. When appropriate, the children will come to the main school hall for a shared eating experience

Snacks and water

These will be provided by Brambles. Please let us know if your children has specific dietary needs and we will do our best to accommodate them.

Uniform

Paddox logo sweatshirt

Plain white round neck t-shirt

Black jogging bottoms

Outdoor shoes

Inclusion/Equity

At Brambles we aim for all our pupils to flourish by providing tailored opportunities access to the curriculum for all pupils whatever their ability or additional need. On occasions some pupils may need extra support to help them achieve their full potential. All staff will work collaboratively to achieve the best for the children working with outside professionals as appropriate.

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Safeguarding

At Brambles we recognise our moral and statutory responsibility to safeguard and promote the welfare of all pupils. We endeavour to provide a safe and welcoming environment where pupils are respected and valued. We are alert to the signs of abuse and neglect and follow our procedures to ensure that pupils receive effective support, protection and justice. We have an onsite DSL at all times in Brambles with one Designated Safeguarding Lead (Head Teacher).

Medical and other issues

When pupils start school and as appropriate, parents are asked to complete a form outlining any medical history, including any allergies suffered, that we should be aware of. It is important that this record including contact details is kept up-to-date.

First Aid

Basic first aid is given at school when necessary by qualified first aiders. If the school deem that further medical attention might be needed, parents will be contacted. If an accident needs hospital attention, we will make every effort to contact parents. We ask parents to ensure all contact details are kept up-to-date so that we can make contact in an emergency. All injuries are recorded.

Medicine

The school has responsibility for the safety and welfare of pupils and regularly reviews arrangements to ensure that the medical needs of the pupils are met at school.

Parents in Partnership

We warmly welcome parents and carers into Brambles, believing we are partners in the education of your child. There are some opportunities for parents/carers to become involved in the life of the school and to gain a greater understanding of its work.

We communicate in various ways, primarily through weekly newsletters, email, regular text up-dates and Dojo messages. We also use ParentApp for many aspects of school organisation.

We report to parents/carers about progress and learning on a termly basis, through parents' evenings and an annual written report. Staff are always happy to meet to talk through any concerns and all teaching staff emails are available on the school website.

Friends of Paddox School

The Friends of Paddox School (FOPS for short) are the Paddox Primary P.T.A. They are a group of parents/carers, with a teaching representative, who work together to organise social and fundraising events throughout the year for the benefit of pupils and the wider school community. Brambles parents are welcome to join.

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