

Context Information - Academy

Willows Academy is a smaller than average primary academy with a caring, supportive ethos. We take great pride in creating a warm and friendly environment and a positive culture for learning. Our motto is 'Believe and Achieve – Growing Together'. We believe that all children have the right to be successful and that every child has the potential to achieve amazing things.

Willows Academy has a 39 place FTE foundation unit. There are currently 165 pupils (including FS1 pupils) on roll.

According to RAISE online February 2017, the school deprivation indicator is higher than the national (0.33 compared to 0.21 nationally) which places it just within the top 20%. The estate on which the school is situated is a mix of rented and privately owned properties

43.7% of pupils are eligible for Pupil Premium, which is higher than the national of 25.2%.

There are currently 2 children who are looked after; 2 children who are under special guardianship; 2 children designated as CIN and 2 families are currently being supported through the Family Hub.

13.6% of pupils on roll receive SEND support. No pupils currently have an Education and Health Care Plan.

The majority of families are white British, although the percentage of pupils who are from minority ethnic backgrounds or whose first language is not English has increased over the last 3 years. The percentage of pupils from minority ethnic backgrounds has increased from 6.1% in 2014 to 11.8% in 2016. The percentage of children whose first language is not/believed not to be English has risen from 1.6% in 2014 to 6.9% in 2016.