

Parsons Green Prep School

ADDRESS: 1 Fulham Park Road SW6 4LJ

WEBSITE: www.parsonsgreenprep.co.uk

FOUNDED: 2001

AGES: 4–11

NUMBER OF PUPILS: 200 boys and girls

FEES: £4,910 TO £5,890

HEAD: Mr Tim Cannell

ENTRANCE PROCEDURE: Visit the school and register for Reception. Places further up the school are usually offered following academic assessment.

CONTACT: Admissions on 020 7610 8085

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SCHOOL VISITS: Midweek tours throughout the term, by appointment only. Open Day is 7 October 2017 by appointment.



THE CURRICULUM: Our ethos is that how a child learns is as important as what a child learns. Our creative curriculum aims to give children real meaning to their learning in a positive and exciting way. The school's STEM initiative brings science, technology, engineering (design and technology) and maths to life at PGP.

'The school sets out to provide a creative curriculum, but is well ahead of the curve at primary level in putting STEM subjects at the heart of the maths curriculum.' *Good Schools Guide*.

GAMES & THE ARTS: We compete against other schools in matches and tournaments and attend the Independent Schools Association competitions. Sports include football, tag rugby, cricket, netball, rounders, swimming, tennis, dance and fencing. Children can learn a wide range of instruments including the piano, violin, flute, guitar and drums, as well as join the school choir and orchestra. LAMDA lessons are exceptional and our children have done extremely well in this area.

PASTORAL CARE: We have a happy and secure environment where children can have fun, make friends and learn in a safe setting. 'Those who are searching for somewhere to nurture and inspire happy, confident children – look no further.' *Good Schools Guide*

HEAD'S PHILOSOPHY: The vision is one of building on the fantastic things that are already happening, such as STEM and chess, and ensuring that the children are not only fully prepared to move on to their new schools but they learn lifelong skills and develop attitudes to learning and life that will allow them to be successful, whatever the future holds. For me, it is the 30-year-old that looks back and understands how their education in the early years has shaped them and allowed them to flourish later in life. That shows what a real prep school education is about.

'The pupils' attitudes to learning are excellent. They have extremely well-developed work habits and a positive approach to learning.' *ISI*

OUTSTANDING CHARACTERISTICS:

The PGP STEM initiative is forward thinking and constantly evolving. This was recognised by the ISA when PGP won the award for Outstanding Provision in STEM in 2016/17, where we competed against other junior and senior independent schools. In the Mac suite and classrooms, interactive whiteboards use the latest educational software. Our children from Year 3 upwards and some of the Year 2s have access to their own tablets. We have an unusual amount of outdoor space which incorporates an Astroturf pitch and separate play areas, as well as a dedicated playground for the youngest children at PGP. Lastly, children are encouraged to play chess from Year 1 (five-year-olds) and it becomes part of the school day from Year 3 upwards. 'Chess is huge here, deliberately encouraged to develop logical thinking.' *Good Schools Guide*

