

## From first steps to next steps.





**66** At Eaton Square, we pride ourselves on enabling each child to flourish.

Sebastian Hepher, Principal

We firmly believe that every single child has the ability to succeed and we equip them with the tools they need to do so.



We do this by igniting a passion for learning within all of our pupils, providing them with a broad, rigorous curriculum which enables them to explore their individual talents and interests; then develop them to their highest level.

As you walk around our school, you will meet happy, dedicated and inquisitive children in a school community that feels like a family. Our strong focus on pastoral care creates a 'home from home' feeling for all. This is true at whatever stage you join us.

Our Eaton Square family reflects the rich, culturally diverse nature of the area around us and indeed the world itself. As an education for life there can be no better foundation. Tradition meets innovation every day through our unrivalled facilities, motivational staff and access to some of London's greatest institutions.

We instil lifelong values of good manners, self-discipline, team spirit and care for the community and environment. These values ensure our pupils go on to embrace life with confidence not arrogance, with kindness not selfishness, with purpose not idleness and – importantly - with a belief that anything is possible.

I warmly invite you to visit us so you can experience this first-hand.

Mrs Trish Watt Head

Progression from Nursery to Pre-Prep to Prep

#### // Where we are

Our Prep and two Nursery Schools are based across three beautiful Georgian townhouses on Eccleston Square in Belgravia. We have an additional nursery nearby.







Everything we do at Eaton Square School is guided by our POISE values.

By placing these values at the heart of our school, your child will always be surrounded by people who treat them with kindness and respect. In turn, they will absorb these values and learn to apply them wherever they are and with whomever they meet.

This positive moral compass will stay with them for life.

Perseverance – I keep trying.
I will cope with the challenges that may lie in my way.

Ownership – I believe in me. I am prepared to take responsibility for my actions.

Integrity – I do the right thing. I will be honest in the choices I make.

Service – I can make a difference. I understand the importance of supporting others.

Empathy – I am kind to those around me.
I am aware that my actions have an impact.

Your child's time in Nursery is a deeply formative and important stage in their development.



#### **OUR NURSERIES IN A NUTSHELL...**

**Coeducational**Girls & Boys

Smooth Transition to Eaton Square Prep School

Ages 2 to 4 in our nurseries

Qualified Early Years Specialists

At our child-centred Nursery Schools, we provide a safe, happy, vibrant and nurturing learning environment; where each child is given every possible opportunity to thrive.

Here, not only will they begin to learn to read, write and use numbers with confidence, they will also develop fundamental skills and values. They will experience the joy of learning and discovery. They will grow in confidence and capabilities. They will form friendships as well as independence. Of particular importance, they will develop their own identity. The children will have these attributes for the rest of their lives

We achieve this by harnessing the power of learning through play. Our kind, qualified Early Years specialists structure each day to teach the seven key elements of Early Years Foundation Stage. Children engage in a blend of play-based activities that are both adult-led and child-initiated, creative and active, indoor and outdoor. High levels of happiness are a priority.

Children also enjoy daily trips to local parks and gardens and an impressively broad range of extra-curricular activities. Ballet, yoga, swimming, music, karate – to name but a few!

A child's learning environment shapes their learning experience.

This is particularly true during the Early Years (ages 2-4), when children are experiencing their first taste of more structured education.

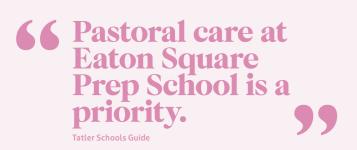
Our Nursery Schools are exceptional learning spaces that are entirely inspired by nature and the great outdoors.

Calm, energizing and filled with opportunities to learn through play, these now iconic nursery schools are the result of Eaton Square's close work with prestigious, family-run interior designers House of Kin. Designed with excellence and incorporating an exceptional array of tactile, natural elements, children even have an educational indoor treehouse and giant bee-hive in which to explore!

The setting itself nurtures children's maths skills, fine motor skills, phonics and an understanding of both space and shape.

Sharing the same historic building as our Prep School, a smooth and natural transition into Reception is welcomed for those already looking ahead.





The moment you walk through our doors, you feel our warmth and friendliness. Our children love to be here and their happiness is clear to see.

This is no accident. From your child's very first day, we work hard to get to know them as individuals. We create a nurturing environment, with small classes and expert staff, where pupils are among people who care for them and will always take the time to help. In this way, we give your child a solid foundation for learning so that they approach every day with confidence, enjoyment and enthusiasm.

We also have an on-site children's counsellor to further support the physical and emotional wellbeing of pupils.

You are a vital part of our school family too. Many new parents are surprised at how open we are and how many opportunities exist to be involved in school life. Our staff can be contacted easily and quickly which is always reassuring for our parents.



From the day your child arrives at Eaton Square School, they will be immersed in learning; everything they do is an opportunity to build skills and knowledge.



We always challenge children to go further, always supporting them throughout.

The result?
A positive, motivating atmosphere where children consistently achieve exceptional results.

Our curriculum is carefully designed so that, as your child moves through the school, they acquire a solid knowledge and understanding of all the key academic subjects. Our renowned 11+ results clearly demonstrate the success of our approach.

Alongside attainment, our academic programme develops all pupils into effective and independent learners who can take their learning experiences, skills and strategies wherever they go.

In the younger years, we focus on the essential building blocks of learning: confidence, communication and independence of thought and choice. Our youngest pupils learn through play, absorbing the principles of phonics and maths through play-based activities.

Gradually, your child's learning will become more formal in style, but will always be fun. Happy, interested children are the best learners. As such, all lessons are lively, focused and engaging.



We are a non-selective school, yet our pupils achieve extremely high marks throughout their time here, culminating in their 11+ exams.

**OUR EDUCATION PATH:** 

#### Nursery

Ages 2 to 4

#### **Junior Prep**

Ages 6 to 8

#### Pre-Prep

Ages 4 and 5

#### **Senior Prep**

Ages 9 to 11

Based on the National Curriculum, our curriculum is tailored to prepare pupils for entry to senior schools through selective London day school examinations and Common Entrance examinations at 11+, together with the 11+ pre-tests for 13+ entry.

Our Nursery and Reception classes follow the Early Years Foundation Stage curriculum.

Alongside the core subjects of Maths, English and Science, we hold Computing, Languages and Humanities in particularly high regard. These enable our pupils to examine, experience and explore the world around them as truly global citizens, physically and digitally.

From Year Three, all pupils have their own individual Surface Go Tablets, enabling familiarity, skills and confidence in the computing skills they will require for life.

#### // Learning enrichment

Every child learns in a unique way. Our small class sizes mean that we spot any issues immediately and can draw on the expertise of our specialist support team to help your child learn and progress well.

At Eaton Square Prep School, your child will develop into a confident, well-rounded young person.

School life is all about discovery.

It is a time when children discover who they are, where their strengths lie and – ultimately – what mark they wish to make in the world. At Eaton Square, we bring learning to life wherever possible to enhance this journey of discovery.

We bring your child face-to-face with the widest possible range of experiences. Why? To unlock their innate potential.

Whether through skiing or fencing, Mandarin or music, public speaking or pottery, dancing or debate, our pupils are given every opportunity to discover their own individual skills and interests.





Museums.
Palaces.
Galleries.
Gardens.
Exhibitions.

Our impressive location enables all pupils to enjoy the world-class cultural venues of London with ease.

We run a vibrant calendar of exciting, educational and engaging trips throughout the year.

Each term, our pupils thrive during trips to the likes of the British Museum, Science Museum, National Gallery, Kew Gardens, Hampton Court and many

London's leafy-green Royal Parks and open spaces also form an ideal backdrop for exercise and play.

Additionally, each year group participates in at least one trip outside of London annually, with a highlight being our residential Year 5 ski trip to Italy.

We excel in sport.

Each year we celebrate Eaton Square's sporting success in local and national competitions.

We are particularly proud of our swim and ski teams. Among the elite in the UK, they are consistent champions at the annual IAPS tournaments and enjoy training and competing both in London, Spain and Italy.

**Athletics** 

Dance

**Football** 

**Netball** 

Sailing

**Swimming** 

Cricket

Fencing

**Hockey** 

Rugby

Skiing

**Tennis** 

However, sporting triumph is just part of the picture.

While we push our most gifted girls and boys, we believe sport is for everyone. Our sporting ethos prioritises enjoyment, positivity, physical activity, fairness and teamwork.

Each week, our pupils enjoy PE and Games in our own indoor facilities, as well as the state-of-the-art Queen Mother Sports Centre and Battersea Park Millennium Arena – both only moments from the school.



A full range of sporting, academic, creative and performance-based clubs to enrich the learning experience as fully as possible.

extra-curricular activities a week

Expansive, light-filled art studio overlooking Eccleston Gardens.

Expert teachers guiding pupils through different techniques, materials and traditions.

Visiting artists and trips to galleries.

Art scholarships frequently awarded by chosen senior schools.





## The performing arts enrich our school life.

Drama is viewed as highly beneficial to our young people. Pupils can take dedicated LAMDA tuition, practice in our professional Performance Studio and play a key role in the nationwide Poetry Together campaign, thanks to our partnership with Dukes Education.

Our pupils regularly gain places at the UK's best drama schools: a testament to our outstanding performing arts provision.

We even have our very own TEDx licence. Selected pupils can write, practice, perform and film their very own TEDx Talks, which are then broadcast from TEDx's global platform. This is an exceptional opportunity and one we feel very privileged to offer.

Complementing this, our Debating Club competes across the UK and even visits Parliament for a guided tour and workshop.

**TED**<sup>x</sup>EatonSquarePrep

## 1. Explore individuality

## 2. Build self-confidence

## 3. Boost communication skills

Music is championed at Eaton Square by our specialist teachers who teach every child in our dedicated music zone.



### Year Two Choir

**Chamber Choir** 

**String Ensemble** 

Many pupils take individual lessons and we host numerous termly musical concerts as well as a fantastic end-of-

Every child has a part to play in our performances, from singing on stage to playing in assembly. We invite parents to celebrate and enjoy their performances

We have achieved official Eco-Schools status in recognition of our environmental initiatives – all driven by our staff and pupil-led Eco Committee.

Trish Watt, Headmistress

On the simplest level, we treat the world and those within it with courtesy and respect.

We help our children to understand that they are privileged and that they can make a difference to the world around them. We raise considerable funds for our chosen charities and think carefully about our roles and responsibilities in the world we live in.

We are a non-denominational school with pupils of different faiths and those of none. Our underlying ethos is Christian. We have close links to our local church, St Michaels, where every week the children themselves – from Reception upwards – run assemblies exploring topics such as being British, teamwork and the environment.





## Continuing the journey

An Eaton Square pupil will shine throughout the next stages of their educational journey.

This is clear from the impressive variety of senior school offers our Year 6 pupils achieve each year. Whether day or boarding, co-educational or single sex, these establishments constitute the finest independent schools in the UK.

Many choose to stay within the Eaton Square Schools family. Majestically overlooking London's Green Park, Eaton Square Senior School continues our commitment to the individual, promising a seamless transition from Prep to Senior school.

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# Great minds minds set free.



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