

# Collegiate Free Primary School

**A New School for 4-11 Year-olds in  
Riddlesdown / South Croydon**



**The Collegiate Trust**  
Exceptional Education for All

The Collegiate Trust is considering a new primary school to be located on or close to the site of our OUTSTANDING secondary school, Riddlesdown Collegiate. This *free school* will be built through a grant given by the government and will be funded, like all other academies, by the Department for Education. It will also be built with money from the government so would be an exciting addition to Croydon.

Croydon Council projects that this part of our Borough will be short of primary school places by 2018. This is why we are proposing our new school, which we would hope to open with 60 places in Reception in September 2018 - this date for opening depends on gaining the necessary planning permission. This is not an unusual situation for such new schools, with many having opened successfully in recent years in such circumstances.



The *Collegiate Free Primary School* will be for children of all abilities and backgrounds in the area. Whilst the school will respect and value all religions it will have no religious affiliation. *CFPS* will teach the full national curriculum. The school will operate to the same values and standards that have made Riddlesdown Collegiate so successful.

### **How will we work with parents?**

We really value the importance of parental involvement in your children's learning and need you to play a crucial role in your child's success. As part of each school day, there will be a *Family Learning Sharing* session, in which children will share their learning with parents or a designated adult, encouraging them to reflect on their own progress and help families to understand their learning. This will allow you to support learning more effectively at home and to play a stronger role in encouraging ambition.

We will also talk to you regularly - this will be through our reporting and tracking systems, but also on a day-to-day basis to keep you up to date with how your child is getting on academically and socially.

Our vision for *CFPS* is to deliver **Exceptional Education for All** across our community. Such an exceptional education has three features:

- ◇ A rigorous academic education which makes sure children have a rich understanding and knowledge of English, maths, science, geography, history, world religions and languages
- ◇ A set of creative and active experiences which develop an appreciation and understanding of the arts, and ensure that all children are highly active through the PE curriculum
- ◇ The building of personal qualities and skills through the rich curriculum and extra-curricular work in school and beyond.

Our curriculum will be delivered through the *CFPS Discovery and Mastery Curriculum*. It will have 6 broad, overlapping and integrated areas, which will ensure that we deliver and expand on the national curriculum, encompassing all subject areas. The 6 areas are:

- ◇ Language and communication (English, Literacy, ICT)
- ◇ Knowing and applying mathematical skills and concepts (Mathematics)
- ◇ Science and the natural world (Science, Geography, Computing)
- ◇ Our history (History, RE)
- ◇ Being creative (Art, DT, Music)
- ◇ An active life (PE, PSHE)



Our children in Reception and Key Stage One will embark on a new *Voyage of Discovery* each half term. This *discovery* approach will bring about in the children an excitement about their learning and develop them as positive, enquiring learners. In Key Stage Two, the curriculum will build on the skills developed so far through a *mastery approach*. Each term will be framed by a *Mastery Challenge* - high level and independent learning skills, applying a rigorous approach to applying and embedding knowledge and skills.

At *CFPS* we will adopt an *extension and depth* approach to learning, ensuring that each of our children have swift opportunities to secure new learning, every day, so that no one child is left behind, and each having the best opportunity to achieve their potential. We will aim to accelerate the learning of our children so that they are not just making expected progress over their seven years in primary school.

Please let us know what you think about this possibility by completing the questionnaire (link below). In particular, we are keen to hear if you would apply for a young child to attend this school in 2018, or if you no longer have children approaching Reception age, whether you would have liked to see an older child attend CFPS.

[Link to Questionnaire](#)



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