



St. Loys CEVA Primary Academy

Nurture... Inspire... Achieve...

From ages 2-11 years



A nurturing place to grow.
A firm foundation for future learning.
An outstanding place to flourish & achieve.



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About St. Loys

St. Loys is a Church of England Voluntary Aided School and is committed to educational excellence and to the spiritual, moral and cultural development of all our pupils.



St. Loys Primary CEVA Academy was founded over 150 years ago and nestles in the beautiful village of Weedon Lois in the heart of the West Northamptonshire countryside.

Ofsted say:

“Pupils’ behaviour is outstanding. They behave with consistently high levels of respect for others. Pupils are polite and caring. They know that bullying is not tolerated. Pupils have a very clear understanding of equality. They are good at listening to others. Pupils told inspectors, ‘Everyone’s accepted here.’”



At St. Loys we provide a caring, stimulating environment for children from 2 to 11 years where pupils feel nurtured to grow, inspired to learn and empowered to achieve. We encourage high standards in both work and behaviour with respectful attitudes towards one another.

Located along a quiet lane in an idyllic countryside setting, we are local to the villages of Silverstone (6 miles), Helmdon (3 miles) and the market towns of Towcester (7 miles), Brackley (8 miles) and Banbury (12 miles).

St. Loys is small enough to ensure that each pupil receives individualised learning, yet as part of Evolve Church Academy Trust, is large enough to offer every opportunity a school four times its size could deliver.

Welcome from our Head Teacher



**"A very warm welcome to
St. Loys Primary Academy on behalf
of everyone in our school family.
I would like to introduce you to
life and learning in our happy
village school."**

At St. Loys every child we care for is valued and nurtured as an individual. Our dedicated teaching team brings learning to life, creating exciting opportunities for children to feel inspired to learn, to think, to explore, to discover and to achieve.

We are very proud of the way our children grow in confidence and independence within an environment that welcomes individuality. We have very strong links with the local church and parish of St. Mary & St. Peter and the wider community. Our Christian ethos at St. Loys permeates all we do and is reflected in our school values of Respect, Trust, Love, Community, Joy and Wisdom.

We are committed to providing all children with the tools needed to become good citizens in their local and global communities and to be able to achieve positively as they move through their academic journey. Our Governing Body works in strong collaboration with the school staff in setting the vision and strategic direction for the school and ensuring that we all work together to provide the best possible education and life experiences for all our children.

Our belief in strong partnerships between school and home, afford us the opportunity to work closely with families and the local community in all that we do. We look forward to welcoming you to our school to experience our exciting, vibrant and happy environment for yourselves. I would be delighted to show you our wonderful school. Please contact us to book a tour.

Kathryn Crawford | Head Teacher

Our Values



RESPECT
TRUST
LOVE
COMMUNITY
JOY
WISDOM

Respect... We are polite to others giving due regard for the feelings, wishes and rights of those around us. We take care of our school environment and look after our local community.

Trust... We have a firm belief in the reliability and truth of others, ourselves & God to guide us. We bring integrity into all that we do so others can depend on us.

Love... We show patience, kindness, compassion and care towards others and ourselves. We form positive relationships with adults and children in our school.

Community... We develop a strong sense of self and of others, striving to show a responsibility in making good choices that benefit our school community.

Joy... We embrace all our learning and new experiences with a happy heart and rejoice in the good fortune of others.

Wisdom... We strive to act, using knowledge and our experience of what is right, showing good sense in understanding others and ourselves.

Our School Improvement Partner says:

“Very warm, positive and inviting learning environment.”

“Pupils have positive attitudes to their learning.”

“Calm and purposeful learning atmosphere.”

Dr. Yvonne Watts

Our Curriculum

A Creative Curriculum lies at the heart of education at St. Loys and we pride ourselves on presenting our pupils with a broad range of high-quality learning experiences, combining Art and Design, History, Geography and, Design and Technology objectives. Rigorous teaching of distinct subject specific skills and knowledge is delivered alongside opportunities to apply those skills in a cross curricular context, thus equipping pupils with the knowledge and skills to flourish as lifelong learners with a thirst for learning. Our curriculum intends to enable all pupils to embrace their learning, develop skills to prepare them for life, nurture their confidence to think for themselves and approach problems with the resilience to persevere.

At St. Loys, we aim for our curriculum to inspire our pupils to feel enabled in every aspect of their being; socially, intellectually, physically and emotionally, and we achieve this through high quality teaching via whole school Topics. Each term, our Topic centres around carefully chosen quality texts, that help us to bring the learning to life. Our teachers plan the learning across the various curriculum areas to events, characters, subjects and places within the text, giving context, relevance and a rich focus to the children's learning. The impact of this sees all pupils receiving a broad, balanced and well-rounded learning experience.



Ofsted say:

“Reading is a priority in the school. From the moment pupils start at the school, there is a strong focus on phonics. Leaders have ensured that pupils build up their phonics knowledge to enable them to learn to read.

The mathematics curriculum is well organised. Leaders have planned the order in which pupils learn new knowledge so that pupils build their understanding and skills over time. Pupils enjoy mathematics. ”



Our School Life




Our pupils say:

“People care for each other. The school is like a big family.”

Pupils enjoy their learning. They concentrate very well during lessons. Pupils say that they feel safe.

Pupil voice is recognised as an integral part of school life at St. Loys. As an elected member of school council, a play leader or as a buddy to a younger child, our pupils have the opportunity to share their views and help to inform the pupil experience.





St. Loys children are recognised for their achievements as well as for their respectful attitudes towards others.

The school house system, alongside reward certificates and the much valued “star pupil” trophies are celebrated through worship every week.



Curriculum Enrichment

Wider Curriculum Opportunities & Cultural Capital

It is important to us at St. Loys that we honour children's right to experiences that support the development of their Cultural Capital, to prepare them for their future successes.

At St. Loys, we aim to extend our pupil experience beyond the National Curriculum by offering a broad range of enriching experiences and opportunities both within and beyond the school day. We embrace opportunities for whole school enrichment through themed days and weeks, allowing our children to come together to share their learning.

Our Enrichment offer to enhance learning includes:

- Gardening Club
- Lego Club - organised by pupils
- Sports: Athletics, Basketball, Cross Country, Football
- Bikeability
- French Club
- Intra School Events
- After school clubs, Intra-school team competitions
- Music in partnership with NMPAT
- Outdoor Learning Opportunities

Core curriculum enhancements:

- Creative Arts week
- Science week
- National Numeracy Day
- Daily Mile initiatives
- Collective worship in the community
- Courageous Advocacy
- Global Neighbours

Educational Excellence

The outstanding academic excellence at St. Loys is built upon a strong foundation that sees high calibre teaching from an experienced and knowledgeable staff team and strong home/school liaison.

St. Loys' pupils consistently achieve results above the national average with notably outstanding Phonics and Literacy provision.

Our School Improvement Consultant says:

“Phonics attainment & progress has been an ongoing strength in the school with 100% success in Reception & Y1 phonics.”

“Teachers have worked very effectively, with many features of outstanding teaching and leadership.”

“Staff (have) gone over and above in support, really strengthening relationships and trust. ”

Craig Charteris  The Diocese of Peterborough



Our Teachers



Ms Kathryn Crawford

Head Teacher

Badgers Class Teacher

I graduated in 1994 and have been part of the St. Loys family since 2018. My degree in English and R.E. has enabled me to develop children's understanding of the world and a respect for individual beliefs and customs. I have a passion for language development and inclusion born from a previous school role as SENCO.



Mrs Alison Watts

Squirrels Class Teacher

SLT, Literacy & Computing Lead.

I came to St. Loys to teach in 2003 and have been teaching for over 30 years with experience across all year groups. My degree in Geography and travelling experiences with my family as a child, have enabled me to bring a rich knowledge of the world to the classroom. I have a love of reading and enjoy the outdoors.



Mrs Susie Addison

Hedgehogs Class Teacher

SLT, Maths, PE & PSHCE Lead.

I have been teaching at St. Loys since 2012 and have a degree in Early Childhood Studies and a PGCE in Early Childhood Education. I bring to my practice an understanding of how children's development informs their learning. I am passionate about young children learning through play and I love Jolly Phonics.

Our School Administrator



Mrs Debbie Davy

School Administrator

I first became part of the St. Loys family as a parent with children attending the school. In 2017 I became the office manager and am responsible for the daily administrative provision and front of house running of the school, as well as liaising with office staff across the Academy cluster.

Our Teaching Assistants



Mrs Nancy Thackwray
Teaching Assistant -
Hedgehogs Class

I have been part of the St. Loys family as a Teaching Assistant in Hedgehogs Class since 2018 and am a qualified Early Years practitioner. My background is in early years and I have experience managing Pre-School and nursery settings. I am interested in children's emotional and mental development and well-being.



Mrs Ewa Rowland
Teaching Assistant -
Squirrels Class

I have been a Teaching Assistant at St. Loys for over 11 years mainly working in Squirrels class. I taught in Poland before settling in England with my family and am proud to be able to add to children's knowledge of the world by sharing my experiences. I am interested in music and expressive art and design.



Mrs Jane Long
Teaching Assistant -
Badgers Class

I came to St. Loys 4 years ago and have enjoyed my Teaching Assistant role across the academy, working with various year groups and more recently within KS2. I have a background in Creative Art and Design which I bring to the classroom in support of children's artistic learning and development.



Mrs Julie Lawrence
KS2 Teaching Assistant
1:1 SEN Support

I have been part of the St. Loys family for over 12 years providing SEND support via 1:1, small groups and in-class support for pupils and training for staff. I have a passion for children's language and communication development. I run Sunrise morning club providing breakfast and activities to start the day.

Ofsted say:

Staff have high expectations of pupils. They promote pupils' well-being. The school's six values are a central part of this inclusive school. Pupils understand the values. They are highly motivated. Pupils make a significant contribution to the life of the school... Behaviour and attitudes are "Outstanding".



Our School Improvement Partner says:

"The Class teacher has a lovely, calm and engaging approach which the children respond to very well."

"Class teacher and TA are both experienced and knowledgeable practitioners"

Dr. Yvonne Watts

Parents and carers are overwhelmingly positive about the school

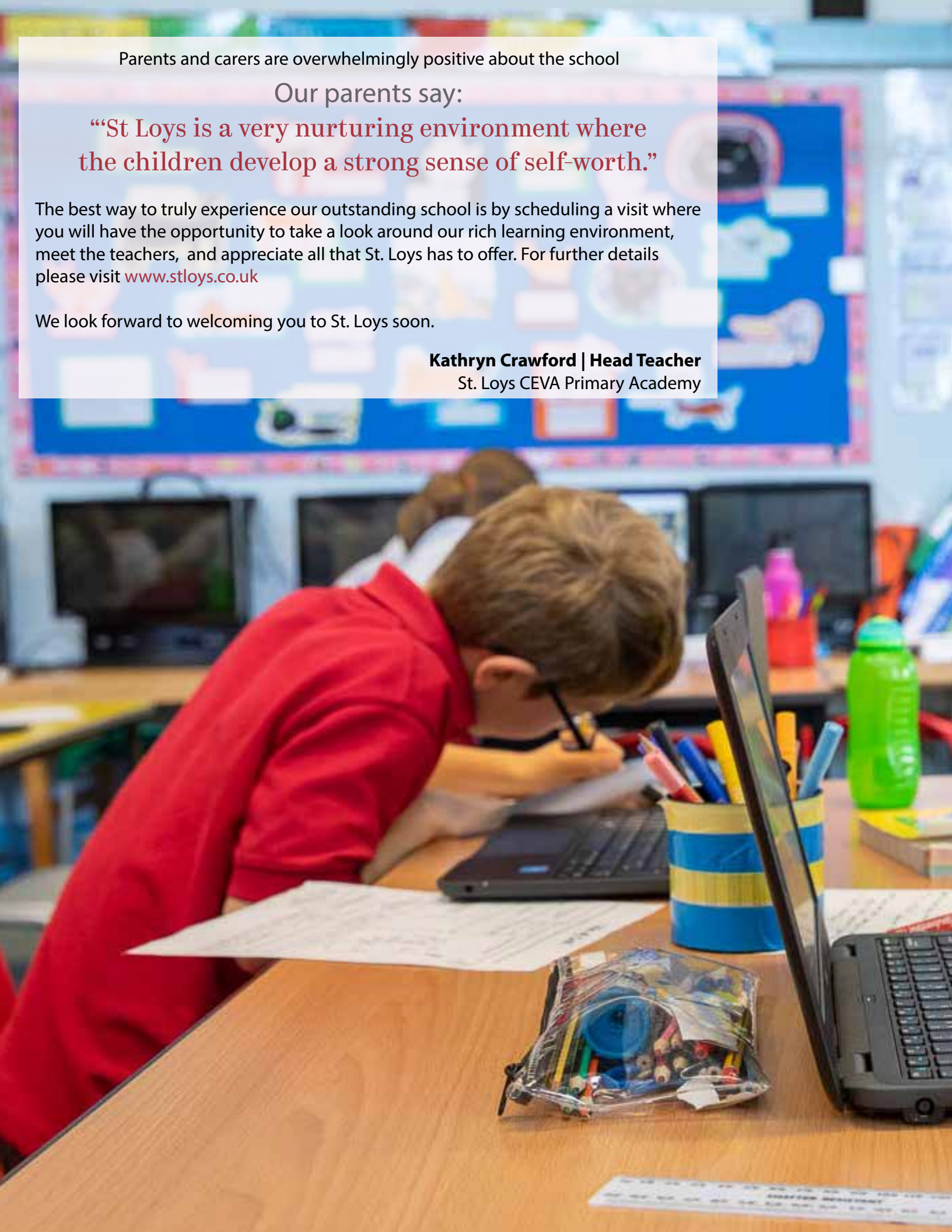
Our parents say:

“St Loys is a very nurturing environment where the children develop a strong sense of self-worth.”

The best way to truly experience our outstanding school is by scheduling a visit where you will have the opportunity to take a look around our rich learning environment, meet the teachers, and appreciate all that St. Loys has to offer. For further details please visit www.stloys.co.uk

We look forward to welcoming you to St. Loys soon.

Kathryn Crawford | Head Teacher
St. Loys CEVA Primary Academy





To arrange a visit please call 01327 860539 or email admissions@stloys.co.uk



“A warm welcome awaits you”



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