



What is The Collaborative Partnership Charitable Trust?

The partnership was first formed in 2012 by a group of Headteachers who were keen to collaborate with other like-minded schools in a way that had a direct impact on the children. There are currently 6 schools: **All Saints** CE Primary School, **Hugglescote** Community Primary School, **New Swannington** Primary School, **Thringstone** Primary School, **Warren Hills** Community Primary School and **Whitwick St John the Baptist** CE Primary School. Five out of the six schools are LA maintained. Two out of the six schools are Church schools. In 2022, 'The Collaborative Partnership' formed a Charitable Trust to secure the partnership.

What is the purpose of the partnership?

"Working and sharing together, for the good of all in a committed, equal partnership."

Members agree to the following principles:

- Each school maintains its own name and individual autonomy – and therefore distinctive ethos.
- Every school will contribute: offering advice support and challenge.
- There will be an openness and honesty between schools and willingness to share data, self-evaluation and financial information.
- A development plan is written annually and reviewed at the HT / Chairs meetings.

How do the children benefit?

Every year, year group events are organised so that all children from across the partnership come together.

- Teddy Bear Picnic (FS)
- Yew tree trail trip (Yr 1)
- Stem project (Yr 2)
- Vocalease (Yr 3)
- Life Skills Day (Yr 4)
- Orienteering Day (Yr 5)
- Transition Fun day (Yr 6)

Sporting events are organised between the schools. These events are often less competitive than the events organised by NWLSSP. There is also a wider range of sports offered e.g Speed stacks.

There is a Collaborative school council which is made up of Year 6 councillors from each of the six school. They meet termly to plan and carry out joint projects.

How does it support teachers?

Teachers meet termly with colleagues from the other schools teaching the same year group. They use this opportunity to moderate teacher assessments and share practice and experiences. It is also a very valuable networking opportunity. Subject leaders meet regularly to share resources, procedures and experiences.

How does it support Senior Leaders?

There are more formal networking opportunities for Deputy Headteachers; School Business Managers; SENDCos and Assessment Leads.

How does it support Headteachers and Chairs?

The headteachers and chairs of governors meet 6 times a year. In addition, the chairs work together to complete peer to peer review of governance for each school. The headteachers have had joint training on partnerships visits and a cycle of visits is in place. The head teachers share their School Development Plans so that joint projects can be planned to have a direct impact on individual school improvement as well as improving the provision and experience for all pupils across the partnership.

We are very proud to be a part of the Collaborative Partnership Charitable Trust.