



## Houghton Primary School

### Every Child Matters

The health and safety of our pupils is paramount. We work closely with the children, parents, governors and the local community to ensure we do everything possible to promote the five outcomes of the Government's Every Child Matters - Change for Children agenda. The Government's aim is for every child, whatever their background or circumstances, to have the support they need to:

**Be Healthy** - physically, mentally and emotionally; healthy lifestyles; supporting children and their families to make healthy choices

**Stay Safe** - safe from maltreatment, neglect, violence and exploitation; safe from accidental injury, safe from crime and anti-social behaviour in and out of school; having security, stability and care; supporting children and their families to achieve safety.

**Enjoy and Achieve** - children ready, attending and enjoying school; achieving national educational standards; achieving personal and social development and enjoying recreation; supporting children and their families to enjoy and achieve

**Make a Positive Contribution** - engage in decision making and support in the community and environment; law-abiding and positive behaviour in and out of school; developing positive relationships without bullying or discriminating; developing self confidence to deal successfully with life changes and challenges; being enterprising; supporting children and their families to make a positive contribution

**Achieve Economic Well - Being** - prepare for next steps in education aware of the need ultimately to be employed; living in decent homes, free from poverty and in sustainable communities with access to transport and material goods; supporting children and their families to be economically active.