

## No 7. After School and Lunchtime Activities:

Our amazing after school clubs and lunchtime activities are simply the best! There's loads to choose from and to suit every interest: Cricket, Football, Glee, Board games, Chess, Lego, Library, Birley Young Voices choir and our Secret Mission club which is run by Commando Tom. We also have Playtime Supervisors that help us with play and give us some great ideas on how we can make the most of our time outside! We can also earn golden tickets for demonstrating our Birley Values.



*"I love having a football team for both boys and girls and how we have loads of things going on after school — it's great!"*

*"I like how many different clubs we have—there is something for everyone."*



## No 8. Lessons:

Our lessons are exciting and our curriculum covers a massive range of subjects: English, Maths, Science, RE, Computing, Geography, History, Art, Music, PE, PSHE, DT etc. We also cover different themes that bring together lots of different subject areas to make our learning really enjoyable! We also take part in performances, learn how to play musical instruments, sing in our choir and take part in Commando Joe's which builds our teamwork and co-operation skills.

*"I like all my lessons, but like ICT best because we have fun on the computers in the ICT suite, on the laptops or even the iPads!"*

*"Science is the best—we get to do some really fun experiments."*



## No 9. Assemblies:

We really enjoy assemblies because we have different visitors come to talk including different groups of people such as: Sheffield Children's Hospital, Handsworth food bank, professionals who talk to us about safety, sport coaches and musicians. We also have different themes, times to remember, special events and opportunities to learn how to behave towards each other—this is sometimes led by our Anti-Bullying Ambassadors. Our favourite has to be our Celebration Assembly which is called Sparkle and Shine, where we are given awards and can be picked out to have hot chocolate with the Headteacher. We also love our new attendance assembly where we play Birlopolo.



*"I find assemblies really interesting and I enjoy listening to different visitors who come to talk to us."*



## No 10. Responsibilities:

We love all of the roles responsibilities that we get at Birley! These could be special jobs given to you by the teacher for your class as well as bigger roles like being an Eco-Warrior, member of the School Council, an Anti-Bullying Ambassador or being given a job by applying through our 'job squad'.



*"I like that the teachers give us chances to lead like being in the School Council and being able to apply for a job through job squad. It makes us think about what jobs we want to do in the future - we even have to apply and be interviewed!"*

*"Everybody in my class can have a special job to do if they want to be a monitor, but I love being an eco-warrior."*

*"I like having responsibility as I like to have a say in what the school does."*



# Birley's Top 10

Created by School Council and  
with all of the pupils of Birley  
Primary Academy.



### No 1. Playtimes:

Our playtimes are the best time of the day where we can let off steam and chill with our friends. We have lots of different exciting play zones including: our ball area, different playgrounds, grassy areas with lots of room to run around and play with our friends, tangled, a climbing frame and our quiet area where you can just sit and read a book or chill with your friends. We also have Anti-Bullying Ambassadors who help us and we always try to play nicely with each other so that no one ever feels left out.



*"I love playtime and like to play with all my friends!"*

*"I love our new reading area—it is so peaceful in there"*



### No 2. Trips and Year 6 Residential:

We can look forward to loads of great visits and a residential where we get to learn amazing things outside of school. We go on fantastic days out to places like: Crucial Crew, The Yorkshire Wildlife Park, Hardwick Hall, The Space Centre, Cleethorpes and Weston Park Museum. In Year 6 we also get to go on a fun packed residential to Robinwood—it is just the best.



*"I like how we get to have different experiences by going on trips and a residential!"*

*"I loved it when we went to the wildlife park—we saw so many different animals. It was amazing."*



### No 3. Teachers:

Our teachers are just amazing and provide us with fantastic lessons that keep us interested and even entertained! They really care about us and want all of us to be able to do our very best. They help us with our learning and are always there to help us with any problems that we might have. We think our teachers are brilliant, and we know they will do anything to help us.



*"I love the teachers at Birley because they let me do work that I can do, but also challenges me. I feel really proud of my work."*



*"My teachers keep me safe, help me to learn and make learning fun!"*

### 4. Lunches

Our school lunches are nice and tasty. Our children love fish and chips on a Friday the best! Our provider is Relish and Jayne and the rest of our staff in the kitchen love to make sure that our children eat well and that the food is both delicious and nutritious! Our School Council even have a hand in shaping the menu. We have a three week cycle with four different options per day that children can choose from, so there is something for everyone with lots of additional items such as: fruit, salad, yoghurt and bread.

*"I just love the different puddings at lunchtime and like the chocolate cake the best —mmm!"*

*"School lunches are so yummy and they do all my favourites!"*



### No 5. Special Events:

We enjoy loads of different special events at school from special days (World Book Day, Aspire Day, Historical celebrations, Star in the jar treats, charity days where we raise money for Sheffield Children's Hospital), special weeks (UK Parliament week, E-Safety, Mental Health Awareness, Environment & Global Awareness) and special visitors (The History Van, Santa and different people who do important jobs). We often mark special times by dressing up and raising money for good causes!

*"I love having lots of people coming in for things like Aspire Day!"*



*"I love that we can earn our Star in the Jar treat—and we can decide what to do!"*



### No 6. School Environment:

Our school environment is second to none! We have the most amazing playground and fields. This means we have lots of outdoor space. We can enjoy a variety of areas to play in including loads of green space and amazing views from the top floor of our school. We even have our own ICT suite, food technology room, library, outdoor classroom and quiet area on the playground.

*"I think the food technology room is the best. I remember making pancakes in there—it was fun."*



*"I like having loads of grass to run around on!"*