



**Harmeny
Education Trust**

Day Education Service

Harmeny's Day Education Service offers specialist education to children, who have experienced trauma, adversity and family disruption. The service is open to children aged 5-18 and is Grant Aided by the Scottish Government. Referrals are accepted for children up to P7 age, with the option of continuing their learning up to S6. We provide services to a maximum capacity of six children who are able to travel assisted or unassisted within an hour of their own home environment.

Children who come to Harmeny on a day basis are often facing family breakdown, and have already been or are facing exclusion from mainstream or specialist education. Our multi-disciplinary staff team work flexibly, allowing the day service to operate 52 weeks per year, providing an education service during core school hours, as well as support during holiday periods.

We offer holistic and bespoke learning programmes, in line with Curriculum for Excellence, from BGE through to Senior Phase. Through working with children and families in a highly relational way, our aim is to build on their strengths and develop the skills, resilience and behaviours to enable children to remain at home, as well as learn and achieve.



Our location and campus

Our school is located in a beautiful 35-acre estate in Balerno, on the outskirts of south-west Edinburgh, at the foot of the Pentland Hills. It is accessible by bus and car to all major transport links.

Our purpose-built primary and secondary learning spaces include a range of classrooms and specialist facilities for PE, Music, Science, Design and Technology, Food and Nutrition, and a Library / ICT space. A dedicated cottage allows a nurturing base for children and families, fostering a sense of community.

What makes us different

- Our strong inspection reports highlight a highly relational approach, innovative assessment and planning, and a very caring ethos.
- Classes have a maximum of six children supported by a Teacher, Education Support Worker and Social Educator, and specialist staff include Assessment and Planning and Skills for Life workers.
- An outdoor learning service provides adventurous and environmental activities within and beyond the grounds, including mountain biking, water sports, camping, hillwalking and Bushcraft skills.
- We use systemic approaches to help families improve relationships and support their children's learning and care, all year round.
- Our therapeutic practice framework is enhanced by a range of therapists including speech and language, play and music therapy.
- We have strong links with the community, supporting all children to develop interests and hobbies and delivering a creative curriculum in partnership with the local secondary school and colleges, third and business sectors.