



*St Francis of Assisi
Church of England Primary School*
“Live, love and learn together in the light of Christ.”

Our School Curriculum Vision

“You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.” Matthew 5:14-16.

Our school vision has this Bible passage deeply rooted within. Children in our school will value everyone as unique individuals and celebrate the distinctive and diverse nature of our community and the wider world. They will aspire to greater heights and continue to flourish beyond our school community. They will use the powerful knowledge they have gained to grow into valuable citizens whilst demonstrating resilience, determination, adaptability and being shining lights to others. Our school is laying the foundations for pupils to flourish and ‘live life in all its fullness’ (John 10:10).

Curriculum Intent

Our curriculum links closely with our school vision and aims and is laying the foundations for pupils to flourish and ‘live life in all its fullness’ (John 10:10). It:

- provides all pupils with an excellent, ambitious, broad and balanced education
- is innovative and imaginative
- motivates through igniting pupils with a passion for learning and a curiosity to foster life-long learning which will continue beyond our school
- enables pupils to develop their confidence, be determined, persevere and show resilience
- creates opportunities for pupils to develop wisdom, knowledge and skills which they can demonstrate across local and global communities. This links to pupils’ cultural capital to succeed in life and the Church of England’s character education
- encourages children to show dignity and respect towards the beliefs of others and the environment
- has the Christian Values at the heart
- ensures that children understand the British Values
- involves parents/carers in pupils’ learning
- makes connections and links to prior learning so that pupils build on their knowledge and skills throughout their time in school
- aims to ensure a deeper learning including mastery across all subject areas through the teaching and opportunities provided
- is systemic and relevant to the context of our school community.

Curriculum Implementation

Our curriculum is implemented in line with our intent.

Year groups and teams work together to create an exciting and purposeful curriculum through the learning opportunities for our pupils. Some curriculum subjects link within topics if appropriate and others are taught as a sequence of subject lessons which connect and develop prior knowledge and skills learnt.

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Each curriculum area also has its own Intent and Implementation which links to our school vision and school curriculum intent.

Curriculum Impact

Through the knowledge and wisdom gained, children in our school are able to celebrate the distinctive and diverse nature of our community and the wider world. They have an understanding of the fundamental British Values: democracy, the rule of law, individual liberty, mutual respect for and tolerance of those with different faiths and beliefs and for those without faith. Children have high levels of confidence and can express their own opinions in a respectful and dignified way.

Pupils develop detailed knowledge and skills across all areas of the curriculum and, as a result, achieve well. They are fully prepared for the next stage of their education through the foundations that have been laid and the importance that has been placed on resilience. They produce work that is of a high quality, are able to apply mathematical knowledge, concepts and procedures and have developed a deeper learning.

St Francis of Assisi Church of England Primary School achieved the School Games Mark Gold Award for the 5th year in a row which enabled us to apply for, and achieve Platinum; showing that we are meeting targets regarding participation, leadership opportunities and competition at Level 1 and Level 2 and club links. We have also achieved the R.E. Quality Mark Gold for embedding excellent, creative and innovative RE practice throughout the school and for recognition as outstanding in the wider community.

Curriculum Planning

The school uses the National Curriculum Programmes of Study as the starting point for all subjects with the exception of R.E. which uses the York and Leeds Diocesan Syllabus.

Please click on the links on each individual subject page of our website for further details of the long term plans.

For further information or details regarding the curriculum, please see your child's termly newsletter that can be found on the school website or have been emailed home.