



Starcross Primary School

Curriculum statement

Intent

Learning is a change to long-term memory .

Our aims are to ensure that our pupils experience a rich and wide breadth of study and have, by the end of each key stage, embedded in to their long term memory the knowledge, skills and deeper cultural capital needed for them to:

- Excel in the next stage of their education – to leave Starcross ‘Secondary Ready’
- To be future role models for the fundamental British Values so they can thrive in the 21st century – truly ‘Learning for Life’!

Big ideas



Humankind

Understanding what it means to be human and how human behaviour has shaped the world.



Processes

Understanding the many dynamic and physical processes that shape the world.



Creativity

Understanding the creative process and how everyday and exceptional creativity can shape the world.



Investigation

Understanding the importance of investigation and how this has led to significant change in the world.



Materials

Understanding the properties of all matter, living and non-living.



Nature

Understanding the complexities of the plant and animal species that inhabit the world.



Place and space

Understanding the visual, cultural, social, and environmental aspects of places around the world.



Comparison

Understanding how and why things are the same or different.



Significance

Understanding why significant people, places, events and inventions matter and how they have shaped the world.



Change

Understanding why and how things have changed over time.

Mission statement

We enable children to become lifelong learners in a safe, inclusive learning environment. We nurture individuality and ensure children achieve their full potential.

☆ General principles

Our curriculum will give children the opportunity to:

- develop a rich and deep subject knowledge
- learn within a coherent and progressive framework
- experience the challenge and enjoyment of learning

Purpose

At Starcross Primary School we aim to develop children both academically and pastorally; to develop them as kind, resilient, independent citizens and motivated learners who love school and have an appetite for lifelong learning.

We want our children to enjoy learning and to have amazing experiences that they will remember forever. Our curriculum will embed knowledge, it will excite the children and staff and will enable the children to develop a rich subject knowledge that will prepare them for the next stage of their journey.



SMSC/FBV

Our curriculum will give children the opportunity to:

- **Spiritual** - Explore beliefs, experience and faiths, feelings and values; enjoy learning about oneself, others and the surrounding world; use imagination and creativity and reflect on experiences
- **Moral** - Recognise right and wrong and respect the law; understand consequences; investigate moral and ethical issues and offer reasoned views

- Social - Use a range of social skills to participate in the local community and beyond; appreciate diverse viewpoints; participate, volunteer and cooperate; resolve conflict
- Cultural - Appreciate cultural influences; appreciate the role of Britain's parliamentary system; participate in culture opportunities; understand, accept, respect and celebrate diversity
- Democracy - Be part of a system where everyone plays an equal part
- Tolerance and respect - To respect and tolerate the opinions or behaviour of others
- Individual liberty - Be free to express views or ideas
- Rule of law - Learn that all people and institutions are subject to and accountable for their actions and behaviour

✓ Well-being

Our curriculum will give children the opportunity to:

- develop self-esteem and confidence in their abilities
- learn how to respect themselves and others
- reflect and think mindfully about their learning
- learn in a peaceful and supportive environment

🧑 Pupil voice

Our curriculum will give children the opportunity to:

- make a positive contribution to the school and local community
- contribute to planning their own learning
- say what they like and dislike about their learning
- make choices about things that are important to them
- take part in age-appropriate discussions

◀◀◀ Pedagogy

Our curriculum will be taught through a pedagogy that:

- excites, promotes and sustains children's interest
- offers all children a memorable experience at the start of every topic

- enables children to reflect on and evaluate their learning

Enrichment

We will enrich our curriculum by:

- providing on and off-site subject or topic related activities
- welcoming parents and carers to take part in children's learning and experiences
- developing partnerships with external providers that extend children's opportunities for learning