

Curriculum Intent Statement

The aim at Weston Primary & Nursery School is to provide opportunities for children to develop as independent, self-confident, successful learners with high aspirations who know how to make a positive contribution to their community and to wider society. There is a strong focus on developing children's spiritual, moral, social and cultural understanding; children learn to behave and interact with each other according to a series of Christian Values. The school ensures that children develop a love of learning so that they are well prepared for the rest of their lives as citizens of modern Britain.

Weston Primary & Nursery School provides an inclusive environment where learners enjoy their education. The school's rich, broad curriculum enables us to discover and develop every child's potential, wherever that may lie. Those who are most able are challenged to further expand their skills and knowledge. Those who find learning more difficult are encouraged and given targeted support to embed their learning. We encourage children to challenge themselves!

The school's curriculum includes the statutory Early Years Foundation Stage and National Curriculum. It is carefully sequenced and structured to ensure coverage and progression, and to help children embed learning in their long-term memory, and see the connections between different areas of learning. It provides pupils with exciting and memorable experiences from which children can learn and develop a range of transferable skills, such as problem solving, resilience and creativity.

The school's curriculum maximises the benefits of the school's character (small size, church links, lovely outdoor environment) while also mitigating the possible disadvantages (e.g. ensuring pupils gain experiences of other cultures and larger educational settings). As a small school, a high proportion of our pupils are able to represent the school in sporting competitions against other schools. A wide range of clubs gives learners further opportunities to access a variety of activities after school hours and during lunch times.

The children at Weston Primary & Nursery School feel safe to try new things and learn. Strong links are made with the local community, for example through a strong link with the village church and through an active Friends of Weston School organisation.

Those opportunities when it will be particularly effective to link learning in different subjects across the curriculum to the school's Christian Vision, and/or to Spirituality, are identified in teachers' Medium Term planning.