



Be yourself, but be it very well

St Cuthbert's RC Primary

Curriculum Statement (DRAFT)

'Every child has the right to an education' UNCRC Article: 28

We are reviewing our curriculum throughout 2019-20, in terms of **intent, implementation and impact**.

Intent:

At St Cuthbert's RC Primary School, we aim to deliver a curriculum which will stimulate, excite and challenge our children; one which will enable each of them to make progress and to achieve the highest standards possible.

We have high expectations of all our children and will plan a curriculum which will develop a passion for learning which will remain with them for life, which is interesting and relevant, which extends their understanding and which will allow our children to have high aspirations of themselves and want to achieve their very best.

As a Catholic School, the vision and values of Catholic Education remain at our core.

The following statements underpin our curriculum and drive it forward:

Driver 1: *To cultivate a love of learning -*

To develop the appropriate subject specific knowledge, skills and understanding as set out in the National Curriculum, to enable every child to be inquisitive, excited and motivated by the opportunities offered in the 21st century.

Driver 2: *To develop independence in each of our children -*

To prepare our children for the everyday challenges of life in the modern world by promoting self-confidence and resilience.

Driver 3: *To develop our children's knowledge and understanding of their place in the community and wider world.*

To foster a greater understanding of 'self'; to develop social skills and an understanding of society and to embrace the culture they live in and understand the cultures of others.

As children progress through our school, they will develop the personal skills to become independent life-long learners by understanding how to become self-managers, enquirers, creative thinkers, reflective learners, effective participators and team-workers.

Each term we will spend a week focusing on particular knowledge and skills which, we believe, will enhance our pupils' ability to be effective, pro-active citizens in the 21st Century. This part of the curriculum will be known as *Life Skills*. The children will have the opportunity to learn in the following areas:

EYFS and Key Stage 1: The Importance of Community - our school, our parish, our locality

Lower Key stage 2: Environmental Challenges - globally and locally

Upper Key Stage 2: Personal Aspirations - finance and university and career options

Our curriculum will focus on our local heritage, as well as helping our children with their knowledge and understanding of the world from a local, national and global perspective. Therefore, we will provide *Enrichment Opportunities* for all children to be motivated by and in which to have the opportunity to excel:

- Regular opportunities to share his/her achievement and success in assemblies
- Regular opportunities to share his/her learning and be involved in decision-making that effects the whole school eg through School Council and Learning Council
- Opportunities to represent the school through liturgical celebrations, sporting events and musical/dramatic performances
- A wide range of clubs and extra-curricular activities, both after school and at lunchtime
- Opportunities to consider and represent the rights of everyone through our Rights Respecting Group
- Opportunities to promote ways to live simply and to take care of our world as an Eco Warrior
- Regular opportunities to take part in, and to organise, charitable events
- The opportunity to play a musical instrument
- The opportunity to join a choir - Years 3-6
- Opportunities to work in, and with, the local community through Mini Vinnies and our Life Skills weeks
- The opportunity to support our younger pupils as a Buddy or Play Leader
- The opportunity to develop, work in and enjoy our Wildlife Garden

During the Summer Term, we will work to further develop our programme of visits and visitors to school to enhance our curriculum in focused areas.

The curriculum at St Cuthbert's meets the requirements of the National Curriculum and the requirements of the Bishops of England and Wales.

Implementation: (Spring Term)

Reading:

Writing:

Maths:

Foundation Subjects:

Impact: (Summer Term)