



St James' C.E. Primary School

"Learn, laugh and live with the love of God"

Curriculum Statement

1. Session Times
-KS1 9 - 3.15 pm Lunch 12.15- 1.00 -KS2 9 - 3.15 pm Lunch 12.30-1.15
2. The school's taught time is;
-KS1 22 hr 45 min per week -KS2 24.00 hours per week
3. The school follows the new curriculum 2014 for all statutory subjects.
4. English including reading, writing, phonics and spellings and speaking and listening, Mathematics, Science, Computing, Music, PE, PSHE, and RE are given specific taught time each week, with Languages in KS2. French is our chosen language.
5. Art and design, Design and technology, History and Geography will be taught through cross curricular blocks of time
6. The school's curriculum is based on skills and concepts taught through themes.
7. We block subjects over the year, term and weeks, in order to explore a concept in an extended way. This gives our children a consolidated amount of time to work with, reinforce and practice skills.
8. The school has named subject leaders, who are responsible for specific subjects and areas of work.
9. All subjects have a skills / assessment continuum.
10. The school follows the Liverpool Diocese 2014 syllabus for RE and this is taught as a discreet subject
11. PE is taught as a discreet subject and an external provider works with staff in dance and gymnastics to enhance our provision
12. Music remains a discreet subject in order to improve standards. Wider opportunities lessons take place in Year 4. The remaining KS2 classes use an external provider and KS1 follow the Music Express scheme.
13. The school fulfils its statutory requirements for swimming, all KS2 classes attend throughout the year.
14. Collective Worship has time allocated each day. In addition to this class teachers set aside a few minutes a day to reflect and engage children's emotional intelligences. We also promote this through the curriculum and were possible grasp opportunities as they naturally occur.
15. The school promotes a number of out of school support activities. The school reviews its programme each year and introduces new or popular activities for pupils. The activities range from sport, gym, football, karate, dance, art, cooking and drama. Consultation with pupils takes place annually.
16. The school promotes community cohesion through our curriculum via projects including strong links with Haydock High School and the Church.
17. The school promotes a number of educational visits each year. These visits include day visits and residential visits. All visits are planned well in advance and appropriate risk assessments and permissions are sort.
18. The school values parental involvement and makes every effort to include parents when possible. The school has 3 parents open nights each year and issues its annual report in February. Half termly report cards are also sent home. Pupils take home their snap shot books each term to share work with parents.
19. The school has clear guidance, protocols and support of SEN pupils, including gifted and talented, and pupils identified as vulnerable or at risk.
20. The schools homework policy is promoted vigorously across the school.

General Equality and Diversity Statement

St James CE Primary School is guided by a clear vision and set of aims, one of which is equality. We are committed to eliminating unlawful discrimination and promoting equality of opportunity for all. We are determined to do everything we can to make sure that learners are treated fairly and that everyone has equal access to the services provided by the school.

We believe that all learners should have equal access to the curriculum and this will be achieved by:

- All learners having access to the curriculum through the use of specialist equipment, resources, teaching and learning strategies and activities based on individual need.
- Specific learning and teaching strategies being used to maximise access to the curriculum for learners within identified cohorts and those with barriers to learning.
- Teaching and learning strategies, resources and planning that aim to reflect our multicultural society.
- Ensuring equal access to all aspects of the curriculum for everyone.

Agreed by Governors 21/10/15

To be Reviewed Autumn Term 2016

Chair of Committee _____

Headteacher _____