



CURRICULUM RATIONALE STATEMENT

IRBY PRIMARY SCHOOL- Inspiring Pupils Successfully

SCHOOL ETHOS AND RATIONALE

Academic excellence is highly valued and we believe that education, whether at home or school, is the key to a child's future. We believe, however that education is broader than academic study.

It involves:

- Learning and caring about yourself and the people around you
- Good manners
- Feeling secure
- Growing in self confidence
- Living and working happily
- Having a positive attitude to life.

We provide a friendly, caring and calm atmosphere where we can deliver the curriculum, through high quality teaching and a stimulating learning environment, so that the children achieve the highest possible standards in all areas of school life. A varied programme of extra-curricular activities nurtures the whole child and inspires him or her to find and develop skills and talents.

OUR CURRICULUM

- Our curriculum is planned carefully so that all children are inspired and motivated to learn.
- Our curriculum encourages children to be confident and take risks in their learning, developing resilience and the ability to learn from mistakes.
- Our curriculum is broad to ensure children have the chance to shine in different areas.
- Our curriculum is regularly assessed, reviewed and logically sequenced to ensure prior learning is built upon and appropriate skills and knowledge are developed.

- Our curriculum links to aspects of our heritage, our place in the community and our place in the wider world.
- Our curriculum has the principles of Assessment for Learning embedded throughout leading to collaborative and reflective learners.

TEACHING AND LEARNING

We aim to ensure that the curriculum meets the needs of every child and is delivered in a way that helps the children perform well academically as well as feeling happy, safe and secure in their environment.

We take account of children's differing learning styles and ensure our lessons accommodate their varying needs and involve the children in their own learning.

We embrace technology, teaching our children to be safe online and to be digitally literate, using a variety of technology to support research and enhance learning experiences.

We provide a language rich environment with books, stories and opportunities for the children to develop speech and language through lessons, class assemblies, drama and school productions.

ENHANCING THE CURRICULUM

We are committed to ensuring our children have the opportunity to enhance their experiences through:

- Trips and visits.
- Visitors to school.
- Themed curriculum days and weeks
- A range of before, after-school and lunchtime clubs

Each child learns to respect and care for others, while developing a love of learning and a desire to succeed. **Work hard, Be kind and Never give up.** This enables our children to discover what is special about them. They are proud of their achievements and proud of our school.

COLLABORATION

We look forward to working together as part of the Oak Trees MAT to ensure excellence of provision for all, whilst maintaining Irby Primary's identity and individuality.