



## **Curriculum Intent**

At Gorse Hall Primary and Nursery School we offer a very rich, exciting and balanced curriculum. It has been designed through discussion with Staff, Governors, Children and Parents, to ignite curiosity in learning and the world around our pupils. It will enable children to develop knowledge and skills progressively which will support each unique individual in becoming a life-long learner. The curriculum matches the changing and diverse needs of all pupils. Gorse Hall's values underpin everything we do in fostering equality, respect, independence and resilience.

## **Curriculum Implementation**

Our Thematic curriculum is holistic and coherently sequenced to maximise the likelihood that children will remember and make connections. Our approach allows us to develop subject knowledge and understanding, underpinned by the specific application of the key skills of English and Maths.

We believe that children learn best through first-hand experiences so we try to make visits to places of interest and purpose, and also invite visitors into school. This helps to create real-life experiences for the children and also gives them an understanding of transferrable skills which will equip them for future prospects.

The curriculum is enriched through carefully planned theme weeks, curriculum market weeks, visitors, educational visits and extra-curricular activities.

We set high expectations for each child to ensure that they are able to reach their potential. Curriculum content is pitched to match individual learning needs. Intervention through support and challenge ensures all children thrive and become successful in their learning journey. Children play a key role in supporting the emotional development of each other to raise self-esteem and well-being. Pupils' diverse needs are well supported through a range of nurturing activities.

Gorse Hall Primary and Nursery School provides a safe and secure environment that fosters a love for learning. One in which children can explore the world around them and take risks. We encourage the children to be self-aware, have empathy with others and play an active role in the development of their community and become a well-rounded 21<sup>st</sup> century citizen. Classroom environments ignite the intrinsic motivation of learners. They are stimulating and both support and celebrate learning.

## **Curriculum Impact**

Through pupil voice opportunities, we provide a curriculum that is innovative and inspiring. Pupils' involvement in their curriculum provision has proven instrumental in engaging and enthusing them to build on knowledge and skills as well as ensure quality outcomes across all subjects.

Through parental feedback, homework contributions, questionnaires and evaluations it is clear that the school community values the importance of a holistic approach to learning that prepares our pupils for their next phase of education. Regular monitoring of the curriculum is carried out mainly by subject leads through child chats and book looks, observations as well as formal and informal assessments. The impact of our curriculum is evident in outcomes for all pupils.