



Mevagissey Community Primary School Curriculum statement

Intent

Our curriculum has been designed for the children of Mevagissey Primary School. Its aim is to enthuse creative learning, give opportunities and nurture aspiration which will prepare children to succeed in 'Modern Britain', whilst opening their eyes to the many prospects within the wider world. Our curriculum is based around four cornerstones: Engage, Innovate, Develop and Express. Each one ensures children access key progressions skills alongside rich subject knowledge all delivered through a range of different topics that ignite curiosity. Knowledge organisers and invent boards ensure children access a rich curriculum content that allows clear progression through each year group.

Big ideas



Humankind

Understanding what it means to be human and how human behaviour has shaped the world.



Nature

Understanding the complexities of the plant and animal species that inhabit the world.



Processes

Understanding the many dynamic and physical processes that shape the world.



Place

Understanding the visual, cultural, social, and environmental aspects of places around the world.



Creativity

Understanding the creative process and how everyday and exceptional creativity can shape the world.



Comparison

Understanding how and why things are the same or different.



Investigation

Understanding the importance of investigation and how this has led to significant change in the world.



Significance

Understanding why significant people, places, events and inventions matter and how they have shaped the world.



Materials

Understanding the properties of all matter, living and non-living.



Change

Understanding why and how things have changed over time.

General principles

Our curriculum will give children the opportunity to:

- understand the purpose and value of their learning and see its relevance to their past, present and future both within Mevagissey and the wider world.
- develop a rich and deep subject knowledge that is based on fun and meaningful experiences.
- experience the challenge and enjoyment of learning in a safe and supportive environment.
- develop and demonstrate their individual creativity whilst being encouraged to try new things.

Purpose

The purpose for these principles is so that the children of Mevagissey Primary School develop a life long love of learning. This means that when they leave our school, they continue to develop their curiosity and dedication to achieve all that they are capable of as British citizens

SMSC/FBV

Our curriculum will give children the opportunity to:

- Tolerance and respect - To respect and tolerate the opinions or behaviour of others. We understand that everyone has the right to express themselves but the responsibility to be mindful of others.
- Individual liberty - Be free to express views or ideas
- Rule of law - Learn that all people and institutions are subject to and accountable for their actions and behaviour
- Democracy - Be part of a system where everyone plays an equal part.
- Cultural - Appreciate cultural influences; appreciate the role of Britain's parliamentary system; participate in culture opportunities; understand, accept, respect and celebrate diversity
- Social - Use a range of social skills to participate in the local community and beyond; appreciate diverse viewpoints; participate, volunteer and cooperate; resolve conflict
- Moral - Recognise right and wrong and respect the law; understand consequences; investigate moral and ethical issues and offer reasoned views
- Spiritual - Explore beliefs, experience and faiths, feelings and values; enjoy learning about oneself, others and the surrounding world; use imagination and creativity and reflect on experiences

Purpose

This is so that the children of Mevagissey Primary school develop a strong moral compass and grow into tolerant, respectful and valued citizens within the community.

Well-being

Our curriculum will give children the opportunity to:

- develop self-esteem and resilience whilst fostering confidence in their own abilities.
- reflect and think mindfully about their learning and how it will help them as they grow. Always linking their learning to real life examples.
- follow their own interests and be themselves guided by the learning opportunities given to them.
- work in a range of groups and settings to help support them to become successful and social adults.
- learn in a peaceful and supportive environment surrounded by emotionally available adults.
- learn how to respect themselves and others through the teaching of self worth.

Purpose

At Mevagissey School we are mindful that every child is an individual and has different needs that need to be met before learning can take place. We offer children opportunities to connect with emotional available adults and they are able to have time to make sure they feel they are in a safe environment where they are relaxed and contained so learning can take place.

Pupil voice

Our curriculum will give children the opportunity to:

- make a positive contribution to the school and local community through strong community link with the village of Mevagissey.
- explore ways of becoming an active citizen and what it means to be a good British citizen.
- make choices about things that are important to them through student council and class representatives.
- take part in age-appropriate discussions guided by staff and pupils.

Pupil voice

Our curriculum will give children the opportunity to:

- encouraged to express their opinions on a range of different topics and issues especially during Jigsaw sessions.

Purpose

At Mevagissey School we want our children to know they have a voice. We aim to nurture their pupil voice so that it inspires and empowers our children to feel they can contribute toward how their education is delivered to them. The process should enable students to use their knowledge to contribute to the classroom and to the school. We hope that when students feel comfortable sharing their voices, they grow into positions of trust and leadership within the community.

Pedagogy

Our curriculum will be taught through a pedagogy that:

- offers all children a memorable experience at the start of every topic to hook them into their learning and allow them opportunities to explore.
- excites, promotes and sustains children's interest through rich learning experiences.
- enables and fosters children's natural curiosity across all subject, making links where possible.
- enables children to reflect on and evaluate their learning allowing them to use what they have learnt and apply it to end of topic projects.

Purpose

At Mevagissey we want to instill a love of learning. We want pupils to be curious and excited about the different learning opportunities they are presented with always making links to their previous learning. Staff show enthusiasm when teaching, using their subject knowledge and interests to enhance learning experiences for our pupils.

Enrichment

We will enrich our curriculum by:

- providing on and off-site subject or topic related activities that link to children's learning and also open up new experiences.



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We will enrich our curriculum by:

- offering opportunities for children to learn outdoors across all subject areas, understanding that being outside has a direct link to children's well being and engagement.

- welcoming parents and carers to take part in children's learning and experiences, inviting the community into our school where possible.

- holding specialist curriculum days or weeks that link to what is going on in the wider world and our local community.

- using quality resources in and out of the classroom that are accessible to children and impact on their learning.

- inviting outside agencies in such as theater groups, music specialists, residential trips to London, local charities, school camp, local choirs, subject experts and many more to enhance children's learning experiences in our environment.

Purpose

Enrichment plays a huge part in our curriculum as we aim to give our pupils as many chances to spark interest within and raise aspirations. We aim for children to have experiences that they wouldn't normally access and to expand their opportunities and their minds to different possibilities.