

Southbrook School - Key Priorities for School Improvement 2018-2019



Safeguarding is at the forefront of everything we do, and runs as a golden thread through all our priorities.

To continue to develop positive and supportive relationships with all our pupils and families, always seeking to understand their unique and individual circumstances; and helping their children build confidence, independence and resilience.

- **1.1:** To develop throughout the school and family community, a strong and shared awareness of good mental health, well-being, and resilience.
- **1.2:** To develop further our strategies to gather the voice and views, and increase engagement of all parents/carers in their children's learning and emotional well-being.
- **1.3:** Further develop the work of pupil voice, through the school council, anti-bullying team, and Champions for Change / Devon County Council Project.
- **1.4:** At KS4, further develop our support and advice for pupils and families regarding transition in to Post 16 settings.

Key Priority 1.
Working with pupils and families (incorporating safeguarding).

To provide an excellent, safe and happy learning environment for all our pupils, which enables them to thrive and achieve their all-round potential.

- **2.1:** To continue to develop and embed our focus on excellent teaching practice and pedagogy, with a fresh focus on providing more extended writing opportunities across the curriculum.
- **2.2:** To further develop the quality of learning support provided by TAs.
- **2.3:** Develop and improve our methods for capturing and evidencing the holistic progress of pupils.

Key Priority 2.
Pupil Learning and Progress (incorporating Safeguarding, Teaching, Learning and Assessment).

To provide a rich, diverse and exciting curriculum and opportunities appropriate to the needs, talents and aspirations of our pupils.

- **3.1:** Ensure the curriculum is broad and balanced, offering appropriate enrichment, vocational and accreditation options that prepare Southbrook pupils for their next steps and improve the scope of their employability.
- **3.2:** To ensure that a careers education programme is updated to include new statutory guidance and is appropriate for the needs of our pupils.
- **3.3:** To broaden learning, understanding, appreciation and respect for the wide range of different cultures, people and ways of life in Britain and the wider world.

Key Priority 3.
Curriculum and provision (including safeguarding).

Key Priority 4.
Strategic Development including safeguarding.

To ensure that we invest wisely in the development of staff, governors and resources at all levels to maintain high standards of excellence and safeguard the school into the future.

- **4.1:** Develop school buildings and site so they are fit for purpose to accommodate growing pupil numbers and complexity of pupil needs.
- **4.2:** Develop and invest in robust and reliable IT systems that are fully accessible to all pupils and staff, and meet curriculum and pupil needs not just for now, but for the foreseeable future.
- **4.3:** To continue to review and update as appropriate the staff and governor succession plan.
- **4.4:** To take all necessary steps to ensure the school is compliant with the new GDPR (General Data Protection Regulations).
- **4.5:** To evaluate current safe practices and further develop as and where necessary.