

**“There is a buzz around the school” (parent feedback).**



From Reception through to Year 6, we take opportunities to extend the curriculum through visitors, including artists and musicians. We also use our amazing grounds as much as possible and get out and about in the locality and the wider environment. In addition, we plan educational visits to enhance the children’s learning to places such as Feadon Farm, the museum in Truro, the Minack theatre or St Michael’s Mount.

There are many opportunities for excellence beyond the classroom such as through our highly successful sports teams or our annual musical production. Excellent links with both local secondary schools provide many enrichment activities for Key Stage 2 including in dance, art and sport.



Years 3 to 6 have the opportunity to spend time at a residential centre during the Summer Term. This helps to develop self-reliance, co-operation and initiative as well as giving the children the chance to experience different activities and environments. These trips are also, of course, great fun! Our residential visits range from camping and outward bound activities at Porthpean to an unforgettable trip to London including Legoland and a West End show!



For more information, please visit the Curriculum pages of our website:  
<https://alverton.eschools.co.uk/website/curriculum/119152>



# Alverton Primary School



## Curriculum

## Parent Guide

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At Alverton, we want to give the children the very best learning experience that we can. We provide a rich and exciting curriculum that promotes independence and opportunities for everyone to succeed. We aim to give children the academic skills they need to allow them to progress confidently into the world and we celebrate their successes in all aspects of school life.

We take a REAL Project approach to teaching and learning which is hugely engaging and designed to ensure that all of our children succeed and love to learn. Please see the REAL Project section of our website or our REAL Project Parent Guide for more details.

Each key stage follows a rolling program of umbrella headings (such as World History) which ensures full and rigorous curriculum coverage in all year groups. Each term, the project is designed around a question or statement which drives the children's learning and the teachers' planning, ensuring an integrated, cross-curricular approach. The children's learning is enhanced by visits / visitors and real-life tasks and leads towards a final outcome at the end of each term. The knowledge that an authentic audience will see their work gives the motivation to ensure that it is completed to the highest possible standard. Core subjects are integrated into the project and we plan and design learning opportunities that are relevant and engaging and have real-life outcomes.

### **Early Years Foundation Stage**

Children in our youngest classes are immersed in the three prime areas of learning in a safe and stimulating environment. We consider the individual needs, interests, and stage of development of each child in our care, and use this information to plan a challenging and enjoyable experience for each child in all of the areas of learning and development.

We aim to create experiences which encourage children to think creatively and explore the world as they see it. We recognise the importance of play-based learning as well as the benefits that being outside can bring.



### **Key Stage 1**

In Key Stage 1, we plan accessible and interesting topics so the children are excited and intrigued. This creates a positive and motivating learning environment. We plan educational trips to enhance the curriculum and utilise our amazing outdoor spaces.



Some of our recent topics have been Space, Castles and Dragons, Dinosaurs and China.

### **Key Stage 2**



Our topics are varied and exciting and provide a wealth of opportunities for the children both within, and outside, the classroom. We have a new topic, around which we base our learning, each term.

The Key Stage 2 topics are:

- Ancient Civilisations / Natural Geography / Lucky Dip!
- British History / Chocolate / Take One ...
- Invaders and Settlers / Water / World War II
- World History / Another Culture / Local Study

We have fantastic grounds at Alverton and take every opportunity to enhance the children's experiences at school through using this for woodland activities and outdoor education.

