

# Tow Law Millennium Primary School

## Curriculum Rationale



### **Intent**

At Tow Law Millennium Primary School, we place great importance on a curriculum which develops the whole child. Through our core values, we foster an environment where the emotional, physical, academic, social, moral, spiritual and cultural development of each child is considered.

Our curriculum ensures coverage of the National Curriculum and provides a range of experiences for all pupils through an enhanced curriculum. Our curriculum is designed to challenge prejudice, promote equality and engage and motivate a love of learning with the ultimate goal that our learners progress academically and become successful, confident individuals, who make a positive contribution to the community and modern-day British society - both now and in the future.

Careful analysis and discussion about our pupils' backgrounds, life experiences and culture has helped us to design a curriculum personalised to them. We have designed, organised and planned our curriculum to ensure every child receives an appropriate mix of academic and personal development which means that in practice our curriculum places equal importance on core and foundation subjects. Our balanced approach to the curriculum is not at the expense of high standards in core subject areas. High standards and enabling children to reach national expectations and above is of vital importance if they are to succeed at the next stage of their education and go on to achieve full and happy lives and careers.

### **Implementation**

For our core subjects, we use a variety of planning resources to support our teaching. Using prior knowledge as a starting point for all future planning and teaching, we plan lessons to enable all pupils to make progress. Our lessons follow a cycle of planning, to ensure that we can evidence progress and that pupils build upon their previous knowledge and skills. Consideration is given to how greater depth will be taught, learnt and demonstrated within each subject across the curriculum as well as how learners will be supported in line with the school's commitment to inclusion and equality. Our aim is to provide our pupils with the scaffolding required to access the learning at all levels.

We place a huge emphasis on pupil engagement and design lessons with our pupils being at the heart of what we do. To implement our intention, we ensure that our children are invested in their learning, making a positive contribution to our curriculum. For staff development, our leadership team ensure that where required, CPD is available to all staff members to increase confidence and knowledge.

### **Impact**

We aim for pupils to leave Tow Law Millennium Primary School with a secure understanding of academic content, both knowledge and skills; along with the understanding of how to be socially, morally, spiritually and culturally responsible. In addition, we feel it is important for our children to be aware of how to make positive contributions to the local area and how to endeavour to be the best that they can be. We aim for all of our children to leave our school with the core values needed to provide a thirst for life and all it has to offer.