

Curriculum at Heath View Academy

Our school curriculum is carefully designed to ensure coverage, progression and depth of learning through exciting, broad and balanced learning experiences. The curriculum provides pupils with memorable experiences, including diverse and rich opportunities from which children can learn and develop a range of transferable skills. All planning builds upon prior learning and teaching is pitched appropriately to ensure every child achieves and makes progress. The entire curriculum is built upon the mastery approach where all pupils are challenged to 'master' age related expectations through a hands on approach. Some subjects are taught discretely whilst others are linked together to allow for a cross curricular approach (the curriculum map will give you an overview of year group content). Pupils know the purpose for their learning, how to refine their work, the links between the subjects or themes and the relevance of these to their everyday lives. We endeavour to create learners who are ready and fit for their future.

Our mission is to ensure that our curriculum:

- ✓ is underpinned by aims, **values** and purpose
- ✓ develops the whole child - knowledge, skills, understanding and attitudes
- ✓ is broad, balanced and has **clear progression** in subject knowledge and skills
 - ✓ is filled with **rich first-hand purposeful experiences**
 - ✓ is **flexible and responsive** to individual needs and interests
 - ✓ embeds the principle of **sustainability**
 - ✓ **has an eye on the future** and the needs of future citizens
- ✓ encourages the use of **environments and expertise beyond the classroom**
- ✓ **9.makes meaningful links** between areas of knowledge across the curriculum and the major issues of our time
 - ✓ has a **local, national and international dimension**

Each curriculum area has a clear, shared vision within the academy to ensure a consistency of approach and expectation. We endeavour to ensure every child receives Quality First Teaching in every curriculum area. One of the main priorities within the academy is to ensure children have the basic skills to be built upon within and across a diverse curriculum. The teaching of reading and phonics is central to our work and is built upon within and across key stages. Using the Oxford Reading Tree scheme, children are encouraged to read a range of age appropriate texts to build their confidence and fluency when reading. Following a child centred approach, using Letters and Sounds, we teach synthetic phonics to ensure that children have a confident grasp of the key skills to support both reading and writing.

OUR ACADEMY OFFER

By the end of time at Heath View Academy, all children will:

- Feel loved, safe and cared for
- Be loving, caring and respectful of each other
- Have a thirst for learning
- Love reading
- Experience an educational visit
- Have the opportunity to go on a residential
- Have the skills to be able to move into the next stage of their education
- Understand and respect other religions
- Appreciate the diversity of the local and wider community
- Have aspirations for their future
- Have at least one piece of work displayed in the academy
- Enjoy themed days with a historical, scientific, multi-cultural or artistic theme
- Have the opportunity to go to the theatre
- Participate in sporting events and activities
- Have the opportunity to play a musical instrument
- Learn about safety
- Have a voice in the academy
- Understand the importance of looking after the environment
- Learn to swim
- Learn about their own safety and safe use of the internet
- Visit places of worship
- Develop enterprise skills, collaborating with peers
- Know why charities are important
- Learn a new language
- Experience live music
- Learn how to learn
- Work creatively alongside parents in the academy
- Use a diverse range of software in creative ways
- Take part in competitive sports