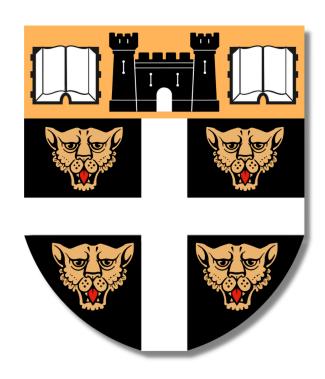
Curriculum Policy - Prep School

Dover College



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1. RATIONALE

The Dover College Prep School curriculum is designed to promote learning, personal growth and development. It includes the formal requirements of the National Curriculum in both core and foundation subjects, and value is added through the inclusion of additional subjects and activities that we, as a school, organise in order to enrich the experiences of the pupils.

Our curriculum is designed to be creative in its delivery and the learning experiences it provides. This will encourage the children and teachers to be creative and to think differently in a variety of situations and lessons. It does ensure that all children have access to a broad, balanced, purposeful and relevant education that provides continuity and progression and takes account of individual differences. We believe that children learn best when their learning experiences are meaningful and engaging and therefore we provide a balance of thematic and discrete teaching with an emphasis on both knowledge and skills. It is based on our school's values and principles. Although our curriculum is based on the National Curriculum framework and objectives, it is further extended through greater flexibility and choice, often being inspired by the Early Years ethos around the individual child interests. The Dover College Curriculum covers: linguistic, mathematical, scientific, technological, human and social, physical, aesthetic, creative and cultural education appropriate to the pupils' age, ability and aptitude. Additional provision includes Forest School, Performing Arts and all-year round swimming lessons. Additional and external activities are designed to promote independent learning opportunities and creative thought.

Transferable learning and life skill development and identification of ways of learning, through the Characteristics of Effective Learning, drives our curriculum. Our integrated, creative curriculum allows for an adventurous and imaginative approach to topic based learning, whilst carefully maintaining individual subject integrity. By incorporating themes into subject areas and incorporating personal and learning skill development techniques, the curriculum equips children to be lifelong learners; successful not just in summative assessment scenarios but in their education and life beyond.

Fundamental British Values are embedded within our curriculum content and delivery and reflect the school's ethos and Round Square IDEALS. Democracy, Rule of Law, Individual Liberty, Mutual Respect and Tolerance of those with differing beliefs to our own are encouraged, facilitated and celebrated within the Dover College Prep School community.

2. CURRICULUM AIMS

- For learning and teaching to be about exploring ideas, taking risks, solving problems and doing so in creative and diverse ways
- For pupils to be excited, enthusiastic and creative thinkers and learners
- For pupils to recognise that mistakes are opportunities to learn
- For pupils to be learners who make a positive contribution in education, society and life
- For pupils to acquire and develop life-long learning skills to support them with making the most of their education; skills that are transferable into their later stages of education and lives.
- For pupils to be confident independent learners
- For pupils to be able to work collaboratively in a variety of situations and to recognise the strengths and positive input of others

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- For pupils to understand, adopt and demonstrate the core values associated with Fundamental British Values
- For all pupils, regardless of protected characteristics, to be able to access a creative and inclusive learning environment and curriculum

How do we achieve it?

We follow the National Curriculum for core and foundation subjects. This is to ensure that our pupils reach the standards required nationally for educational development, future examination demands and personal and workplace demands. Whilst ensuring we cover the knowledge and information required, we place an equal emphasis on the skills required in these subjects.

Over the course of the academic year, children have an opportunity to explore concepts and ideas through themed units in a range of subjects including Science, History, Geography, Design & Technology, Computing, Art and Music, RE, Forest School, Performing Arts, Sport and PSHE. Year 5 and 6 pupils will be taught in many of these areas by subject specialists from the Senior school and have access to Senior School facilities.

Our Curriculum is mapped to the requirements of the National Curriculum and adopts a thematic approach whereby learning is drawn from a focal topic or theme. We have incorporated characteristics of effective learning and skills into these units. The Early Years Foundation Stage align planning, teaching and learning with statutory Early Years Outcomes and use statutory guidance to inform the development and implementation of an Early Years Curriculum in line with Development Matters. Our curriculum recognises the value of providing a balance of thematic and discrete teaching with an emphasis on both knowledge and skills. The topics focus on a particular subject from the children's interests and are planned around a 'focus' fictional or non-fictional book to encourage a love for reading. The subjects may be based around, or include, a key question to provide a starting point of enquiry for our children.

3. Characteristics of Effective Learning Progression of Skills

Embedded throughout our curriculum are the Characteristics of Effective Learning Progression of Skills. This focuses on developing transferable "learning to learn" skills and personal and social competencies.

It focuses on three main areas:

Playing and Exploring

Engagement

Interest

Participation

Responding to new experiences

Taking a role

Making choices

Curiosity

Seeking challenge

Initiating activities

Active Learning

Motivation

Involvement

Achieving

Challenge

Persevering

Ownership

Responsibility

Resourceful

Observant

Bouncing back

Creative and Critical Thinking

Problem solving

Using own ideas

Planning

Reviewing

Noticing

Trial and Error

Consequences

Evaluating

Making Links

Predicting

With the inclusion of six additional aspects

- Courage Making independent choices: Keep on trying when things are difficult; Responding to new experiences: Taking part
- Perseverance Keep on trying when things are difficult; Correcting their own mistakes; Reviewing their progress; Concentrating on achieving something important to them
- Curiosity Planning ahead; Making independent choices; Bringing in the interests and fascinations
- Pride Showing goal directed behaviour; Reviewing their progress; Concentrating on achieving something important to them
- Independence Making independent choices; Guiding their thinking and actions; Correcting their own mistakes; Confidence to come up with own ideas; Making links between ideas
- Motivation Realise their actions have an impact; Participation; Concentrate on achieving something important to them

Table 1a - Characteristics of Effective Learning Progression of Skills

Characteristics of Effective Learning Progression of Skills - Nursery to Year 6

Class	Courage	Persever ance	Curiosity	Pride	Indepen dence	Motivati on
Pre -Reception	-Making independ ent choices e.g. accessing the available resources in their setting.	-Keep on trying when things are difficult e.g. Repeating the same activity they found hard the first time.	-Planning ahead e.g. thinking about how they are going to use a new object or material introduced to them e.g. pipe cleaners.	-Showing goal directed behaviour e.g. showing excitemen t after following instruction s from an adult e.g. following an obstacle	-Making independ ent choices e.g. accessing the available resources in their setting.	-Realise their actions have an impact e.g. Realising when they put their rubbish in the bin they are verbally praised so they do it

when things are difficult e.g. trying to open something they found difficult the first time or asking their key adult for help. -Respondi ng to new experienc es e.g. Children having the courage to try or use something new such as new objects /materials or toys provided in their setting.	g their own mistakes e.g. when struggling with a puzzle them perseverin g to find the correct way to put in a piece. -Review their progress e.g. realising they are doing something wrong in their puzzle and continuing to work out the correct way.	-Making independ ent choices e.g. when seeing insects outside choosing which tools or equipmen t to study them. -Bringing in their interests and fascinatio ns e.g. asking adults to read certain books to them about their curiosities.	-Reviewin g their progress e.g. after painting a picture them explaining they like it. -Concentr ating on achieving something important to them e.g. continuing with a puzzle until they have completed it and being proud they completed it.	thinking and actions e.g. using visual aids in the setting to know what is happen next. -Correctin g their own mistakes e.g. when they spill their milk cleaning it up with a cloth. -Confiden ce to come up with own ideas e.g. adults helping children to independe ntly make	again. -Participat ion e.g. Joining in with songs and stories in a group for enjoyment. -Concentr ate on achieving something important to them e.g. showing motivation to complete a task such as a threading game.
provided in their	correct way.		they completed	adults helping children to	

	adults or children.	keeping their attention on the task until it is completed			between ideas e.g. making links between similarities in animals when looking at pictures independe ntly.	
Reception	-Making independ ent choices e.g. choosing activities they have not experienc ed before. -Keep on trying when things are difficult e.g. continuing to practise writing their name when they have struggled in the past or become upset doing it.	-Keep on trying when things are difficult e.g. Continuing to count a set of objects even though they continuing ly are getting the answer wrong. -Correctin g their own mistakes e.g. Continuing to re-write a letter until they form it correctly.	-Planning ahead e.g. Thinking about how they are going to explore the weather outside when it has begun to snow. -Making independ ent choices e.g. deciding how to explore certain weather outside e.g. getting wellies or a rain gauge	-Showing goal directed behaviour e.g. Children being proud of writing their name after being directed to do so by an adult. -Reviewin g their progress e.g. Children writing their first words and showing satisfactio n.	-Making independ ent choices e.g. choosing from a selection of tasks available -Guiding their thinking and actions e.g. Getting their drink in preparatio n for snack timeCorrecting their own mistakes e.g.	-Realise their actions have an impact e.g. Sitting and listening during carpet time for verbal praise. -Participat ion e.g. children are motivated to write their name and practice the skill for their own accomplis hments and the targets set

	-Respondi ng to new experienc es e.g. Showing courage when explaining how they found an activity like an obstacle course hard for the first time but they showed courage to try again. -Taking part e.g. Joining in a game with new pupils or adults.	-Review their progress e.g. Explaining how they persevere d with writing their name until they got it right. Solving real world problems e.g. When solving how many more pieces of fruit they need at fruit time they persevere to make sure they solve the problem. -Concentrating on achieving something important to them e.g. Continuing	after being shown one. -Bringing in their interests and fascinatio ns e.g. when seeing a certain bug or animal / dinosaur in a book offering their own knowledge too.	ating on achieving something important to them e.g. continuing on writing their name and being proud when they have finally reached the goal.	Crossing out a letter and re-writing it with the correct formations after realising their mistake. -Confiden ce to come up with own ideas e.g. Independe ntly using resources in the classroom to make up a simple game. -Making links between ideas e.g. When reading a new book linking the story line to previous books they know.	by them by their teachers. -Concentr ate on achieving something important to them e.g. Children are motivated to complete their creations e.g. a junk model such as if it isn't sticking they continue to try different methods until it works.
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Prep 1 -Making independ trying when choices things are e.g. difficult espansion their own playgroun addition though their continue friends are else. -Keep on trying gheir when things are difficult e.g. answering else. -Keep on trying gheir when things are difficult e.g. answering showing showing showing courage incorrectly in			to develop their model when it isn't going the way they had originally wanted it to.				
when tacking a putting an hard 'X', reworking addition question their and using answer. when not just brining in their own knowledge and they okay or question answer. nistory brining in their own knowledge and they okay or develop getting further to do in them a skill in an	Prep 1	independ ent choices e.g. starting their own game on the playgroun d even though their friends are playing something else. -Keep on trying when things are difficult e.g. showing courage when tacking a hard addition question	trying when things are difficult e.g. when struggling to answer an addition question they continue until they get the correct answer. -Correctin g their own mistakes e.g. if answering a question incorrectly not just putting an 'X', reworking their	independ ent choices e.g. linking a question they are answering to previously learnt methods and trialling to see if it will work. -Bringing in their interests and fascinatio ns e.g. When learning about history brining in their own knowledge and experienc	goal directed behaviour e.g. Being proud when given the target of sentence writing with the basic features of a sentence and them completin g a sentence with little or no help. -Reviewin g their progress e.g. Children detailing something they struggled	independ ent choices e.g. choosing from a range of manipulati ves in maths which will be the best resource to help them. -Guiding their thinking and actions e.g. independe ntly asking their friends if they are okay or getting	their actions have an impact e.g. being a kind friend to others in the class as they know they will receive the same in return. -Participat ion e.g. Children joining in with an extra curriculum activity such as a sport or maths club to develop further

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their	and		e.g.	re-reading	to them
phonics	adapting		Children	their	e.g.
screening	or starting		spending	sentences	children
starting	again.		lots of	and	completin
the test			time on a		g extra
			painting	correcting	writing or
with a	Solving		and being	spellings.	mathemat
positive	real world		proud of		ical
attitude.	problems		the		questions
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part e.g.	enough			with own	mathemat
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	into				
	groups so				
	everyone			-Making	
	can play			links	
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		important			with a	
		to them			similar	
		e.g. when			process to	
		making a model			help them answer a	
		adapting			new	
		and			question	
		changing			for	
		their			example 1	
		design			+ 2, 1 + 3,	
		until they			1 + 4.	
		have				
		achieved				
		their				
		desired				
		product.				
Prep 2	-Making	-Keep on	-Making	Showing	-Making	-Realise
	independ	trying	independ	goal	independ	their
	ent	when	ent	directed	ent	actions
	choices	things are	choices	behaviour	choices	have an
	e.g. asking	difficult	e.g.	e.g. Being	e.g.	impact
	the	e.g. when	making up	proud	choosing	e.g.
	teacher	struggling	their own	when	from a	learning
	for help	to answer	hypothesis	given the	range of	about
	with a	a maths	in science	target of	manipulati	recycling
	simple	question	and the	story	ves in	and
	question	they	proving or	writing	maths or	making
	that	continue	disproving	with the	drawing	sure their
	others	until they	themselve	Y2	pictures	classmates
	seem to	get the	s.	features	that will	put their
	be	correct		and then	be the	rubbish
	understan	answer for		completin	best	into the
	ding.	example in	-Bringing	g a high	resource/	bin to help
		the SATS.	in their	quality	method to	save the
			interests	piece of	help them	planet.
	-Keep on		and	work.	– linking	
	trying	-Correctin	fascinatio		to SATS.	
	when	g their	ns e.g.			-Participat
	things are	own	Choosing	-Reviewin		ion e.g.
	difficult	mistakes	to write	g their	-Correctin	Children
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	showing	answering	things	e.g.	own	with an

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courage when tackling a hard SATS question and not giving up. -Responding to new experienc es e.g. When first doing their SATS screening starting the test with a positive attitude. -Taking part e.g. Joining in with activities that are out of their comfort zone e.g. hot seating.	a question incorrectly, not just putting an 'X', reworking their answer. -Review their progress e.g. realising they have started to answer a question incorrectly and adapting or starting again. Solving real world problems e.g. Sharing out amounts of food equally at a school party until it is fair. -Concentrating on achieving	they are interested in during extended writing sessions – possibly linked to assessmen t.	Explaining how they struggled to do something at the beginning of this year but now they can do it well. -Concentrating on achieving something important to them e.g. Children spending lots of time on an extended piece of writing until they are happy with the outcome.	mistakes e.g. independe ntly re-reading their sentences and correcting spellings. -Confiden ce to come up with own ideas e.g. Using the texts they have read at home and at school to influence their writing style. -Making links between ideas e.g. Linking previously answered questions in maths with a similar process to help them	extracurric ular activity such as a sport or maths club to develop further skill in an area they are motivated to achieve in. -Concentr ate on achieving something important to them e.g. completin g extra work in an area of interest or weakness to develop their skills when at school (Done independe ntly through their own motivation and not influenced by
	achieving something important			l -	by parents)

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		to them e.g. when making a model adapting and changing their design until they have achieved their desired			question for example 1 + 2, 1 + 3, 1 + 4.	
		product.				
Prep 3	-Making independ ent	-Keep on trying when	-Making independ ent	-Showing goal directed	-Making independ ent	-Realise their actions
	choices	things are	choices	behaviour	choices	have an
	e.g.	difficult	e.g.	e.g. Being	e.g.	impact
	staying in	e.g. when	making up	proud	choosing a	e.g.
	at break	learning a	their own	when	method in	learning
	time to	new times	hypothesis	given the	their	about
	ask for	table using	in	target of	calculation	recycling
	help from	prior	different	story	s that will	and then
	the	knowledge	lessons	writing	be best for	starting a
	teacher.	to help	and the	with the	the	litter
		them and	proving or	Y3	calculation	picking
		not giving	disproving	features	they are	club.
	-Keep on	up.	themselve	and then	answering.	
	trying when		S.	completin		Dortisisst
	wnen things are	-Correctin		g a high quality	-Correctin	-Participat ion e.g.
	difficult	g their	-Bringing	piece of	g their	Children
	e.g.	own	in their	work.	own	joining in
	showing	mistakes	interests		mistakes	with an
	courage	e.g. if	and		e.g.	extra
	when	answering	fascinatio	-Reviewin	realising	curriculum
	coming	a question	ns e.g.	g their	they have	activity
	across a	incorrectly	when	progress	answered	such as a
	question	not just	learning	e.g.	a question	sport or
	they often	putting an	about	Explaining	wrong	maths
	find hard.	'X',	ancient	how they	when	club to
		reworking	Egypt	struggled	checking	develop

-Resport ng to ne experied es e.g. showing courage when starting a new class or with a new teacher after bein KS1. -Taking part e.g. Showing courage when playing new spoin P.E, especial if they a not confider in sport.	real world adapting or starting again. Solving real world problems e.g. in a range of situations in school making sure things are	bringing in their own books or artefacts from home as it is an interest of theirs.	to do something at the beginning of this year but now they can do it well. -Concentrating on achieving something important to them e.g. Children spending lots of time on an Art project until they are happy with the outcome.	their method and answering it again. -Confiden ce to come up with own ideas e.g. when making a model for a DT project following their own line of enquiry rather than the teachers model or their friends to make something different that works for them. -Making links between ideas e.g. being proud when they realise the link between	further skill in an area they are motivated to achieve in. -Concentr ate on achieving something important to them e.g. completin g extra work in an area of interest or weakness to develop their skills when at school (Done independe ntly through their own motivation and not influenced by parents)
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		making a			facts in	
		board			maths.	
		game				
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		g until the				
		game is				
		made how				
		they want				
		it.				
Prep 4	-Making	-Keep on	-Making	-Showing	-Making	-Realise
	independ	trying	independ	goal	independ	their
	ent	when	ent	directed	ent	actions
	choices	things are	choices	behaviour	choices	have an
	e.g. asking	difficult	e.g.	e.g. Being	e.g.	impact
	a friend	e.g. When	making up	proud	choosing a	e.g.
	for help	learning	their own	when	method in	making a
	with a	the new	hypothesis	given the	their	buddy
	question,	mathemat	in	target of	calculation	bench at
	even if it	ics taught	different	story	s that will	school for
	may be an	in Year 4	lessons	writing	be best for	children
	'easier'	that is	and the	with the	the	who feel
	question.	harder	proving or	Y4	calculation	left out as
		than the	disproving	features	they are	they know
		previous	themselve	and then	answering.	it can feel
	-Keep on	year, not	s.	completin		lonely
	trying	giving up		g a high		from
	when	when the		quality	-Correctin	personal
	things are	lesson is	-Bringing	piece of	g their	experienc
	difficult	hard but	in their	work.	own	e.
	e.g.	trying	interests		mistakes	
	showing	their best	and		e.g.	
	courage	or asking	fascinatio	-Reviewin	realising	-Participat
	when	for help to	ns e.g.	g their	they have	ion e.g.
	coming	achieve	when	progress	answered	Children
	across a	the	learning	e.g.	a question	joining in
	question	learning	about the	Explaining	wrong	with an
	they often	objective.	war	how they	when	extra
	find hard.		bringing in	struggled	checking	curriculum
			their own	to do	their	activity
		-Correctin	books or	something	method	such as a

	-Responding to new experiences e.g. showing courage when first starting the times table test. -Taking part e.g. Showing courage when playing a new sport in P.E, especially if they are not confident in sports.	g their own mistakes e.g. if answering a question incorrectly not just putting an 'X', reworking their answer. -Review their progress e.g. realising they have started to answer a question incorrectly and adapting or starting again. Solving real world problems e.g. in a range of situations in school making sure things are shared fairly or	artefacts from home as it is an interest of theirs.	at the beginning of this year but now they can do it well. -Concentr ating on achieving something important to them e.g. Children spending lots of time on a dramatizat ion of the story they have been reading so it is of a high standard.	and answering it again. -Confiden ce to come up with own ideas e.g. independe ntly thinking of a character when writing a diary from the point of view of a war victim rather than copying the model shown by the teacher. -Making links between ideas e.g. in science when discoverin g something , making links as to how other things may	sport or maths club to develop further skill in an area they are motivated to achieve in. -Concentr ate on achieving something important to them e.g. completin g extra work in an area of interest or weakness to develop their skills when at school (Done independe ntly through their own motivation and not influenced by parents)
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		getting into equal groups etc. -Concentr ating on achieving			work.	
		something important to them e.g. staying behind at dinner time to finish off their writing because they want to finish it off and know it will be a good piece of work				
Prep 5	-Making independ ent choices e.g. following the school rules when others are not doing so around them.	when finished. -Keep on trying when things are difficult e.g. when learning complex maths ready for Y6 perseverin g with the	-Making independ ent choices e.g. making up their own hypothesis in different lessons and the proving or	-Showing goal directed behaviour e.g. Being proud when given the target of story writing with the Y5	-Making independ ent choices e.g. choosing a method in their calculation s that will be best for the calculation	-Realise their actions have an impact e.g. setting up an Earth club and planting trees, litter picking,

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	-Keep on trying when things are difficult e.g. showing courage when coming across a question they often find hard.	work and doing their best to understan d it ready for next year. -Correctin g their own mistakes e.g. if answering	disproving themselve s. -Bringing in their interests and fascinatio ns e.g. when learning about the stone age bringing in their own	features and then completin g a high quality piece of work. -Reviewin g their progress e.g. Explaining how they struggled	they are answering. -Correctin g their own mistakes e.g. realising they have answered a question wrong when checking their	creating posters etc. to save the planet. -Participat ion e.g. Children joining in with an extra curriculum activity such as a
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	-Respondi	incorrectly	books or	something	method	maths
	ng to new	not just	artefacts	at the	and	club to
	experienc	putting an 'X',	from home as it	beginning of this	answering it again.	develop further
	es e.g.	reworking	is an	year but	it agaiii.	skill in an
	showing	their	interest of	now they		area they
	courage when	answer.	theirs.	can do it	-Confiden	are
	starting	-Review		well.	ce to	motivated
	Bikeability.	their			come up	to achieve
		progress		Composition	with own	in.
		e.g.		-Concentr ating on	ideas e.g. Being	
	-Taking	realising		achieving	proud to	-Concentr
	part e.g.	they have		something	think	ate on
	Showing courage	started to		important	outside	achieving
	when	answer a question		to them	the box	something
	playing a	incorrectly		e.g. completin	and not	important to them
	new sport	and		g extra	follow	e.g.
	in P.E, especially	adapting		homework	everyone else's	completin
	if they are	or starting		at home	ideas or	g extra
	not	again.		after learning	likes and	work in an area of
	confident			about	dislikes as	interest or
	in sports.	Solving		something	peer	weakness
		real world		in school	pressure	to develop
		problems		and doing	builds as	their skills
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or asking parents to help them too so it is finished to the standard they wanted it to be.
e.g. in a range of situations in school making sure things are shared fairly or getting into equal groups etc. -Concentr ating on achieving something important to them e.g. taking a model home to complete and do addition things to,

e.g.	difficult	e.g.	e.g. Being	e.g.	impact
following	e.g. when	making up	proud	choosing a	e.g.
the school	struggling	their own	when	method in	Helping
rules	to answer	hypothesis	given the	their	the new
when	a maths	in	target of	calculation	Reception
others are	question	different	story	s that will	children
not doing	they	lessons	writing	be best for	settle into
so around	continue	and the	with the	the	school and
them.	until they	proving or	Y6	calculation	being
	get the	disproving	Features	they are	buddies
	correct	themselve	and then	answering.	for them
-Keep on	answer for	s.	completin		to help
trying	example in		g a high		settle
when	the tests		quality	-Correctin	them into
things are		-Bringing	piece of	g their	school as
difficult		in their	work.	own	an act of
e.g.	-Correctin	interests		mistakes	kindness.
showing	g their	and		e.g.	
courage	own	fascinatio	-Reviewin	realising	
when	mistakes	ns e.g.	g their	they have	-Participat
coming	e.g. if	Choosing	progress	answered	ion e.g.
across a	answering	to write	e.g.	a question	Children
question	a question	about the	Explaining	wrong	joining in
they often	incorrectly	things	how they	when	with an
find hard.	not just	they are	struggled	checking	extra
	putting an	interested	to do	their	curriculum
	'Χ',	in during	something	method	activity
-Respondi	reworking	extended	at the	and	such as a
ng to new	their	writing	beginning	answering	sport or
experienc	answer.	sessions –	of this	it again –	maths
es e.g.		possibly	year but	especially	club to
Showing		linked to	now they	in a test.	develop
courage	-Review	assessmen	can do it		further
when	their	t.	well.		skill in an
doing the	progress			-Confiden	area they
first mock	e.g.			ce to	are
Y6 tests or	realising		-Concentr	come up	motivated
Kent Test.	they have		ating on	with own	to achieve
	started to		achieving	ideas e.g.	in.
	answer a		something	Being	
-Taking	question		important	proud to	
part e.g.	incorrectly		to them	choose	-Concentr
Showing	and		e.g.	their own	ate on
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The skills developed throughout the children's school life will be recorded and built upon as they progress through the school from the EYFS to Prep 6.

As a spiral curriculum, children revisit skills year on year but on an increasingly sophisticated level. These skills include learning to work and learn with others, developing independence and responsibility, focusing on becoming better learners, understanding how they learn best, developing a sense of empathy for others, improving thinking skills and developing speaking and listening skills.

Staff provide curriculum plans which support, stretch and challenge all pupils in each class ensuring continuity of learning and progress.

4. ASSESSMENT AND MARKING

See separate assessment and marking policies.

Formative assessment of curriculum knowledge and understanding is completed through Insight Tracking, which offers each pupil a rounded and detailed assessment of the pupil's skills and knowledge with strengths and successes clearly highlighted and targets for improvement evident. The Early Years track the children's development through the 'Milestone Assessment Tracker.'

5. INDIVIDUAL NEEDS

If pupils have specific individual needs (including those with a statement of educational needs) then they will be given education appropriate to their requirements as well as the opportunity for specific curriculum support. (See SEND Policy)

PSHE

The Prep School has a rigorous PHSE programme, following 'Jigsaw', including anti-radicalisation guidance and appropriate RSE coverage, which is detailed in a separate policy. The 'Jigsaw' scheme of work is used from the nursery all the way through to Prep 6 and beyond. In addition to this, the Prep School includes a variety of PSHE learning experiences throughout the year such as: Healthy Schools Week, Safer Internet Day; Water Safety; Sun Safety; Careers Week and Anti-Bullying Week and has online safety ambassadors and a Digital Progression Lead.

EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

A vast selection of extra curricular activities and opportunities to extend the curriculum are offered every day from 4pm to 5.20pm and some lunch times. The list includes activities such as; various sports, e.g. Taekwondo, Dodgeball, Dance and Tennis, Horse Riding, French, Growth Mindset, Choir, Drama Production All clubs also extend the characteristics of effective learning progression of skills.