

Amherst School Curriculum

Our curriculum is based on discrete subject teaching with topics in Geography and History. We actively seek links between subjects. We follow the national curriculum objectives. Our school culture is rooted in our six school values,. Our PSHE curriculum and assemblies are bespoke to our school values. Extension of our curriculum through approx. fifty clubs a week is integral to enriching the children's experiences, skills and wider knowledge. See Year Group Long Term overviews.

English

Based on national curriculum objectives. Units of work are based on a high quality text. Writing assessed with a bespoke technical criteria. Reading initially follows Book Band scheme. A range of reading strategies used to progress skills and knowledge. Developing reading for pleasure central to reading strategy.

Maths

Based on national curriculum objectives. White Rose plans used to structure objectives. Good balance of fluency and reasoning. MA Books used for homework across all years to ensure long term memory of concepts.

PSHE

Kindness - Trust - Fairness - Cooperation - Politeness - Determination

Bespoke curriculum written by Amherst based on termly value. Whole school learns about same value each term. Weekly lesson. Links to assemblies. High impact on culture of school.

Whole School Book Projects

Twice a year (October and February) whole school book projects completed. Generates high quality written and art outcomes across all year groups. Creates a sense of cohesion for children's learning by all studying the same text at the same time. Highlights progression.

Science

Discrete teaching. Follow Kent Scheme of work. National curriculum objectives.

Geography

Six geography topics taught during four year journey. Enriched by visits and workshops within school. Cross curricular links identified where meaningful.

History

Six history topics taught during four year journey. Enriched by visits and workshops within school. Cross curricular links identified where meaningful.

Art

Topic based where possible. Discrete teaching.

French

Discrete teaching. Rising Stars scheme.

Computing

Discrete teaching.

DT

Topic based where possible. Discrete teaching.

Music

Recorder and drumming lessons in Years 3-5. Weekly whole school singing. Exceptional choirs. Charanga scheme for discrete teaching.

PE

Discrete teaching. Use of specialist coaches where possible. High level of inter/intra

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Discrete teaching. Kent Agreed Syllabus