

Swan Lane First School



Curriculum Intent Statement

Our curriculum is designed to provide our children with exciting and engaging learning opportunities that enrich their lives and provide the skills they need for today and tomorrow.

At Swan Lane First School we have designed our curriculum so that it gives the children the best possible start to their education by developing their independence, curiosity, imagination and desire to learn. We aim to provide the children with the skills they need to fulfil their ambitions, live healthy lifestyles, be moral citizens and to have the confidence to take opportunities to extend their horizons.

In recognition of the starting points of many of our children, we have a strong focus on developing skills in English and Maths as it is skills in these areas that can impact on future choices for the children.

We aim to provide a curriculum which is enriching and challenging, where children experience the opportunity to learn in a wide range of contexts and in a richly stimulating environment. Our broad and balanced curriculum offers a variety of exciting learning opportunities and experiences. Throughout the academic year the whole school moves away from the usual timetable and the learning is focused around a given theme. Visits out of school, workshops, theme days and visitors are arranged to enhance the learning and wherever possible we involve the local community to support the learning taking place in school. Our curriculum is designed to provide the children with a range of knowledge and skills that will give them the opportunities to aspire to a range of careers and also develop personal interests.

The curriculum promotes our common values, whilst valuing our differences within the school and the wider community; valuing diversity and ensuring our children are aware of local and global issues. We recognise that the children need both a sense of valuing themselves and developing aspirations for their futures. We want all the children at Swan Lane to appreciate the world in which they live and to develop skills which will prepare them for life in their community and beyond.

Children leave Swan Lane First School as enthusiastic and self-motivated learners who are able to evaluate and reflect on their own learning. They leave with a sense of belonging to a caring and respectful community where they have developed the confidence and skills to make decisions and to also self-evaluate.