School Curriculum for Key Stages 1 and 2

• This school provides its pupils with a rich, broad and balanced curriculum which meets fully the statutory requirements of the National Curriculum for England and the requirement to teach Religious Education.
• The national curriculum sets out the most important knowledge skills and understanding that every child has a right to learn.
• It is a framework given to teachers by the government, so that all school children are taught in a way that is balanced and manageable, but hard enough to challenge them.
  It provides standards that measure how well children are doing in each subject so that teachers can plan to help them do better,

In Key stages 1 and 2 each year group has curriculum guidelines which set out in detail the content for each subject based on the National Curriculum Subject Handbooks. The subjects include English, mathematics, art, music, design technology, physical education, information and communication technology, history and geography, science, design technology and religious education.

The subject content for each year group with regard to religious education, is based upon the LA Agreed Syllabus for Religious Education.

In addition to the National Curriculum the school provides a wide range of visits and extra-curricular opportunities plus additional activities which include dance and drama. In English children are taught speaking and listening, reading and writing skills. We use a wide range of methods and materials for teaching reading including phonics and other excellent strategies.

Through the curriculum pupils learn the basic skills necessary to succeed in each subject and we use the curriculum to help them develop their personal and social skills.

Where children have special needs or disability we make provision for them so that they too can flourish.

We encourage children to be keen, enthusiastic, independent learners and we give them lots of opportunities to develop their inter-personal skills by working and co-operating with others. Through the curriculum we build their self-esteem and self-confidence.

Each year in school builds on the previous year. We assess progress and achievement and we regularly report to parents about how well their children are doing.

If parents or others would like more details about our curriculum in each academic year group we will be pleased to show them the National Curriculum Subject Guidelines and our school curriculum schemes of work.