

Hope View School

Curriculum Intent by Subject – 2019-2020

Art

We intend to forge cross-curricular links, enriching learning opportunities, skills in the Creative Arts and enjoyment throughout the school. These creative skills will serve the pupils for life and enable them to see the Arts as viable career options. Hope View School will pursue Artsmark accreditation, build partnerships with other creative organisations, offer qualifications in the Arts and seek to develop creative confidence in our pupils.

Behaviour Management

Behaviour Management underpins the school's ethos as pupils go about their daily routines. It is also taught as a discrete subject. Our aim is to install basic knowledge of a practical world. This includes an understanding of how to manage money, how to improve social skills, understanding other's beliefs as well as other topics such as managing our own behaviour. This is vital to how we communicate effectively with others. We provide a learning environment that encompasses our school ethos, the four F's. These are Firm, Fair, Friendly and Fun. This has proven to be a successful way of achieving the most from our pupils.

Construction

Hope View School construction lessons teach a range of practical skills to pupils of different ages and abilities. We aim to develop pupil practical skills and knowledge, so when they are of a suitable age to leave home they can feel competent and confident enough to tackle home DIY tasks independently. Though we are firm on safety aspects while working in the workshop, we also aim to have fun and create exciting projects. Our pupils can take the work they produce home to keep, show to others, use and to demonstrate what they have learnt.

Cooking

The cookery lessons we deliver at Hope View School aim to educate pupils to build positive relationships with food. We use the EDIP method, meaning Explain, Demonstrate, Imitate and Practice. Whilst doing this we aim to teach basic skills that can be used to make dishes that are more complex. We choose a variety of recipes to cover a range of required skills, including using a variation of ingredients and equipment. We use an assortment of methods including frying, baking, grilling as well as following the expected hygiene and safety. The aim of these lessons is to provide pupils with the catering skills and independence required to use outside of school as well as an understanding of the benefits of healthy eating.

English

Our pupils are encouraged to explore and understand their own views, and the perceptions of others and the wider world, during their English lessons. Pupils will have developed a stamina and appreciation for reading to a standard that allows them access to the world outside of Hope View School. They will be confident in speaking and listening and understanding what it means to contribute effectively within group discussion, being able to translate these skills into their own social lives. Their ability to compose, transcribe and spell will never inhibit their ability to interact with the world around them; rather it will be at a suitable and embedded standard.

Pupils study a range of poems, plays, novels and non-fiction texts from a variety of eras and cultures. Staff promote enjoyment and enthusiasm of the subject and aim for the pupils to develop self-confidence and resilience through creative writing, guided reading and the discovery of their own literary heritage.

Forest School

Hope View Forest School nurtures the relationship between participants and the natural world. For many of our pupils, they have become detached from nature and the world outside. Staying in bedrooms and playing games systems is more commonplace.

Forest School encourages our pupils to have fun and reconnect with the environment while discovering and learning to appreciate areas of natural beauty. We give pupils experience of the seasonal changes and daily weather conditions, so they learn to build resilient attitudes towards them.

Allowing our pupils an opportunity to learn outside fuels their creativity and helps them to take responsibility, while also offering freedom.

History

At Hope View school we believe that history lessons should inspire children through creative and engaging activities, to want to know more about the past and to think and act as historians.

We want our pupils to have opportunities to investigate and interpret the past, identifying how present societies and cultures have been shaped by previous historical events both in Britain and the wider world.

ICT

At Hope View School, we believe that ICT and the use computers are fundamental in preparing our pupils for their future.

We ensure that all pupils at Hope View School are given the opportunity to become digitally literate and have a thorough understanding of online safety; what it means to be safe online, at school and at home. We aim to equip them with the knowledge and technical understanding to access a broad range of software, including MS Office and basic programming.

ICT at Hope View School is taught to enhance other subjects, such as science, maths and English. All with the aim of making pupils ICT skills relevant and transferable, preparing them for their future and involvement in the wider community.

Mathematics

At Hope View School we intend to encourage successful learners who will become confident individuals and responsible citizens. Maths is an integral part of achieving this as we aim to facilitate the boys learning important concepts and skills to enable them to engage in the world around them for example they will be confident in their understanding of time and money. Boys will enjoy a range of different teaching techniques and approaches that demonstrate and engage them in the importance and application of maths in their lives. We aim to give every pupil the opportunity to leave school with a qualification in mathematics, as well as have experienced the joy of exploring the subject and the skills to enable them to follow a vocation.

Media Studies

The study of Media and communication systems is vital in our changing world, where use of technology is widespread.

Through Media studies at Hope View School, pupils develop an understanding of how news and information, arising from differing contexts, suits diverse audiences.

Pupils are also equipped with the analytical skills required to be able to discern information that is given to them via newspapers, radio, television and online.

Ultimately, pupils are encouraged to understand the world and their own place within it through communicative projects and presentations inspired by the Media.

Personal, Social, Health and Economic Education

Our PSHEE curriculum promotes pupils` spiritual, moral, social and cultural, mental and physical development at school and in society. It prepares all pupils for the opportunities, responsibilities and experiences of life within modern day Britain as well as the world at large. Self confidence, respect for others, safe and responsible behaviour and living a healthy lifestyle are some of the key themes covered within the PSHEE curriculum.

Physical Education

At Hope View School, Physical Education promotes and develops; health & wellbeing, peer relationships through team-building, self-discipline, self-esteem & coping with success and failure. This is achieved through **fun** and engaging activities and the **firm** application of **fair** rules. For our pupils, PE affords them the opportunity to apply and develop these skills outside of the classroom, enabling them to transfer these skills to everyday life.

Science

Through science, Hope View School aims to develop the minds of our pupils by encouraging them to be inquisitive about the world in which they live, and extend their understanding of the implication of science in their everyday lives through fun and engaging activities. We prepare our pupils for life, in an increasingly scientific and fast moving society, encouraging them to foster concern and active care for the environment, in a world that is ever changing.

Spanish

Through Spanish, Hope View School encourages pupils to embrace other languages and cultures while having fun. Cross-curricular links are used to broaden their understanding about the origins of the language, relating to both historical and geographical events. Pupils are encouraged to think about how Spanish implicates their own lives through music, film and food. Finally, Spanish aims to develop confidence and skills in; speaking, listening, reading and writing.