

What our curriculum is trying to achieve....

“Inspiring individual excellence within a vibrant and caring school community
rooted in deep held Christian values.”

In 2018 our school governors completed several months of work in which they sought views and updated our school vision statement. To that end a single sentence captures what we hope to achieve for every child as they make their journey through primary school. Our overarching objective is for every child to be inspired, to pursue excellence and to provide opportunities and knowledge that will feed their aspirations.

At St. John’s;

- Our curriculum will ensure that children develop good characteristics of learning. The curriculum will promote positive learning attitudes, curiosity and a thirst for new experiences and knowledge. We will support the development of a positive growth mind-set that not only impacts on children’s positive learning characteristics but which also provides for them the tools on which to build good mental health and wellbeing.
- Our curriculum will deliver the 2014 National Curriculum and the Lincolnshire Agreed Syllabus for R.E. as a means to ensure that basic skills, knowledge and concepts are taught. Teaching will take account of children’s prior learning and the school’s interpretation of this core curriculum will ensure that there is a planned progression of knowledge from Reception to the end of Key Stage 2. Every child will be challenged to build on their previous learning, ensure their potential is reached and develop the skills they need for life beyond primary school.
- Our curriculum will recognise that every child is unique and special. We will provide the opportunities to build on the diversity of skills, talents and interests that exist through a curriculum that goes beyond that which is required to be taught. We also recognise that in rural Lincolnshire many children may not have the opportunity to undertake rich and valuable experiences and our curriculum will support the provision of experiences in areas such as the arts, sport and culture. In addition we recognise the importance of introducing to children the diverse range of opportunities that exist within the rural community in which they live. Our curriculum provision will build experiences that will introduce to children the range of opportunities that exist within the food, farming and horticultural industries.
- We want our curriculum to promote children’s understanding of community. Our children learn about values that are found in the school’s Christian foundation, but which are also recognised within society as being important to upholding the values of our country. In their R.E. and Collective Worship, as well as within our day to day interactions and engagement with the wider community, children have the opportunity to explore, discuss and develop their personal responses as they journey through school and gain social and religious “literacy”. We also recognise that our world can be a complex place, often providing exciting opportunities that can result in both positive and negative outcomes. Our curriculum helps children to learn how to respond and engage in the 21st century world so that they can keep themselves safe, be healthy and have good mental well-being.