



## Caton St Paul's Curriculum Rationale

### Curriculum aims

- To develop a balance of knowledge, skills and understanding, ensuring breadth of knowledge alongside the ongoing development of key skills to enable children to aspire to become subject specialists.
- To ensure children are equipped to become informed members of the community, as well as fostering resilience and responsibility
- To enable children to develop the independent thought and decision making necessary to succeed in the 21st Century

### Our curriculum

At Caton St Paul's, our curriculum has been skilfully designed by the teachers, with input from children, families and Governors to ensure it prepares children to become informed, valuable members of their local, national and international community. It is ever-evolving, building on the experiences and knowledge of the children at our school. The unique, God-given talents of each child are nurtured and celebrated within our Christian family.

Our curriculum aims to develop a balance of knowledge, skills and understanding, as well as meeting the holistic needs of every child. Ambitious learning opportunities are supported by excellent teaching of a well-sequenced and aspirational curriculum plan. Children are encouraged to think critically and independently, enabling them to develop the resilience, perseverance and confidence to take responsibility for their own decisions and make vital contributions to the lives of others.

Curriculum enhancements and enrichments, both in and out of the classroom, encourage children to tackle challenges, make mistakes and develop their self-esteem. Children explore different cultures, values and beliefs, deepening their understanding of the world and tolerance for others, developing a natural curiosity for the diverse and ever-changing world around them.

Teaching in each subject challenges children to problem solve and take risks with their learning, inspiring them to become the subject specialists of the future. Through belonging, believing and learning together, children are able to achieve their potential at Caton St Paul's.

**‘One family, belonging, believing and learning together’**

*‘So in Christ we, though many, form one body, and each member belongs to all the others’  
Romans 12:5*