# **Curriculum Policy**



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# 1. Methodology

ISP School, Battle Intended Curriculum is based on the National Curriculum and has been designed to acknowledge the unique profiles of the children placed at our school. Our curriculum is centred on the concepts of **Intent**, **Implementation** and **Impact**. We aim to achieve this through our shared values '**RELATE**' as relationships are the cornerstone of everything we do at ISP School, Battle with this reflected in our values: **Relationships** – we learn to develop effective relationships by building trust and respect and developing self-esteem and self-confidence

Education – we are learning to learn in all that we do

**Lifelong –** we make relationships which will support and inspire us to be our best. We recognise the importance of well-being and positive self-image

**Aspirations –** we are looking to the future and working on positive and life-affirming targets towards where we want to be

**Teamwork –** we work together to achieve excellence

**Equality –** we embrace the opportunities we are presented with and show respect to us all

Many of our children have experienced disrupted early learning experiences, interrupted schooling, disengagement from formal settings, distrust of adult and professional input, continuous high levels of anxiety and emotional arousal due to trauma and as a result cognitive, sensory and social impairment.

# 2. Aims

We aim to foster an environment where children feel safe and develop a secure sense of belonging. The majority of our children have experienced disruption in their schooling and complex needs that have a significant impact on their cognitive development and their social, emotional and communication development. We aim to support children in a family led, community, school environment where we will passionately support children to achieve the best they can in order to maximise their life chances and to ensure that they can be as independent as possible, participating in society and being as healthy as possible in adult life.

We also aim to ensure that all adults understand the concepts of Intent, Implementation and Impact

• To identify what we are trying to achieve through our national curriculum (Intent/Intended Curriculum)

• To recognise the different ways we deliver our curriculum

(Implementation/Implementation Plans)

• To gain an understanding of how we know our curriculum is having an effect across all children (Impact)

### 3. Context

The context for the development of this policy derives from:

Ofsted's new Education Inspection Framework (EIF) which came into effect in September 2019.

The new 'quality of education' judgement looking at the curriculum, which includes teaching, assessment and standards.

Ofsted's definition of 'curriculum' which centres around the concepts of 'intent', 'implementation' and 'impact'

It also derives from additional subject matter such as Ofsted's Subject Reports (such as English Subject Report, published 2024).

## 4. Ethos

The core intent of ISP School, Battle and our curriculum is to help all children reach their potential and believe that they can achieve, be kind, make positive relationships, communicate well, and grow as individuals. As a school that adopts a therapeutic approach, our mission is to provide each child with a diverse education in a safe, supportive environment that promotes positive self-regard and engagement, inspires learning and encourages aspiration and achievement.

ISP School, Battle seeks to adopt a fresh and dynamic curriculum implementation to address the needs of vulnerable children, irrespective of the difficulties presented, in order to maximise their future life chances. We aim to provide our children with opportunities to engage in a full and enriching curriculum whilst taking into account their emotional and academic developmental needs so that children have the same opportunity for experiences as others their age.

# 5. Trauma and our Curriculum

Trauma is toxic to the brain, and the neurocognitive development of children who have experienced chronic trauma may be impacted on a structural level, a biological level and a functional level. Children may show early lags in receptive and expressive language as well as difficulty with sustained attention and concentration. In addition children may have delays and impairments with executive functioning, including planning, problem solving, organisation, and delaying responses. Altered states of consciousness and structured impacts may affect children's memory, resulting in impairment in the consolidation of experience (i.e. transfer from short-term to long-term storage) and difficulty retrieving relevant information in current problem solving. Behaviourally children may experience increased frustration in the face of challenging task performance, noncompliance with directions, and negative emotional response<sup>1</sup>. Combined with the legacy of disrupted placements and gaps in learning it is no surprise that making good progress is a challenge for our children. Our response to this is to create a therapeutic environment based on the following five principles<sup>2</sup>:

<sup>1</sup> Blaustein, M & Kinniburg, K. (2010) Treating Traumatic Stress in Children and Adolescents. New York. The Guildford Press.

 $^2$  Haigh, R. (2013) "The quintessence of a therapeutic environment", Therapeutic Communities: The International Journal of Therapeutic Communities, Vol. 34 Iss: 1, pp.6 – 15

1. Attachment: Children attending ISP School, Battle need to feel a healthy sense of belonging. They are encouraged to become full members of a group that values them and gives them something to value. This is a fundamental first step in the feeling of self-worth necessary for learning to begin. In school this means that social and emotional targets will often be the first addressed.

2. Containment: Safety is paramount for our children. All children have a need to experience an appropriate degree of consistency, predictability, and regularity in their

daily lives, and it is this that promotes a child's sense of being 'safe' and is a prerequisite for children developing the ability to retain new facts and skills (i.e. 'learning'). Our children have often had limited experience of this. A safe and containing learning environment such as ISP School, Battle needs to also offer opportunities for nurture and for play that our children missed in their early years. In school this means that "age-appropriate" signifies different things for each child at different times.

3. Communication: Children at ISP School, Battle need to see that openness is important in moving forward and that the adults can work honestly and respectfully with everything they need to communicate. In school this means teaching socially appropriate communication is more successful when adults show they can understand and manage less positive communication.

4. Involvement: The children attending ISP School, Battle learn about "growing-up" by experiencing the interdependency of participation in individual and group learning. In school this means a number of different activities are planned each week to give new experiences at the right level for each child; these can be very small step achievements with great cumulative impact.

5. Agency: Agency can be defined as the acquiring of skills, actions, medium, or means by which to accomplish things. As children move through the school they grow closer to taking control of their lives and learning post - 16 and need to experience both success and failure to do so. This also means that as children progress through the school they are actively encouraged to take up roles and positions of increasing responsibility and authority. In school this means that adults actively encourage children to make and evaluate decisions about what and how they can learn and achieve.

### 6. Cultural Curriculum

ISP School, Battle has a knowledge engaged, broad, balanced curriculum which is created around each individual child, taking account of their starting point to ensure that their academic, spiritual, moral, social and cultural needs are addressed in a way that captures and motivates them to learn. Building trust, self-confidence, resilience and belonging are key to our approach. Our end point is clear. We promote preparation for, and appreciation of, life in modern Britain, equipping children with the knowledge and cultural capital they need to succeed in life. We believe all children should be provided with an education where they can thrive, no matter what their background or the challenges presented.

Community meetings are a vital part of this, for they are normally where the day's structure is brought together in everybody's mind. Their frequency, length, timing, structure and need for specific agenda items can all be arranged with this objective. In this way, all that happens within the day is part of the therapy — whether it is spoken or not, interpreted or not, analysed or not. Sometimes it just needs to be acknowledged and held. Our community meetings play an important role in establishing a culture of open communication, in which individuals can check things out, paranoia is minimised and expression of feeling is encouraged. At ISP School, Battle, for example, accounts of psychotherapy groups, activity groups, work groups, staff meetings, assessments, as well as the ongoing lives of community members (adults and children), including

incidents of self-harm or other forms of 'rule-breaking', are all brought into the community meeting for discussion. In addition, crisis meetings can be held at any time of the day if the mood of the school states we need one. In our school, our community meetings offer a forum for the expression of difficult feelings and conflicts between children and adults, children and children, and even on occasions between adults. It also includes upholding the ethos of the organisation when it is being undermined consciously or unconsciously by the wider community including ISP, adults or children, and encouraging reflective thinking instead of acting out. The pressure to talk and therefore to think about feelings rather than act on them eventually leads to a less brittle superego and more effective impulse control.

#### 7. Curriculum Planning and Assessment

ISP School, Battle has high expectations of what can be achieved by our children and we strive to bridge the gaps between children's current attainment, their cognitive levels, and their long-term potential.

Obtaining accurate baselines can be challenging for children who have had disrupted education and early life experiences. We seek to engage children so that this baseline can be found. The way this is done is often via diverse methods such as mentoring and engagement outside of the typical class environment. We believe that it is important to understand the child in order that the curriculum is well matched, planned and sequenced so that new knowledge and skills build on what has been taught before, including pre-existing knowledge, and we can then build towards the curriculum defined end points. We believe that one of the contributing factors to disadvantaged children's underachievement is that the curriculum and methodology is often seen as a process that the child needs to adapt to. We take a different stance and we take the child and adapt the curriculum and methodology around them rather than expecting the child to simply adapt.

Our curriculum is supported by rigorous planning and it is clear what end points the curriculum is building towards, and what children will need to know and be able to do at those end points. We work to securing each child's EHCP target. These targets are set within a multi-agency forum and detail the objectives required to have been achieved by the end of the key stage they are working in. We work to this end point. We continually build, develop and adapt children's implementation plans to outline how we will achieve the targets. Assessments are ongoing however we formally report on progress to parents/carers three times per year.

The curriculum captures all the essential elements of the National Curriculum as well as ensuring children's Education Health and Care Plan (EHCP) targets are met. We are compliant with the Independent School Standards ('the standards') in the schedule of the Education (ISS) Regulations 2014 and an evaluation of judgements as detailed in the Independent School Inspection handbook which was updated in September 2019.

Class groups and curriculum content are not categorised simply by year group. Groups are categorised by learning styles, sensory needs and class grouping is completed considering the advice of the SEN Team and if necessary, consultation from other key professionals working with the pupil. Although children may not always be placed in chronological year groupings, teaching implementation aims to expose children to curriculum content that children their age experience but at a level appropriate to their understanding.

Developing valuable life skills and skills to develop independence can be very difficult for children and young people who have attachment and/or educational learning difficulties. Specific time is dedicated for children to develop these skills in a safe and nurturing environment.

#### 8. Curriculum and Literacy

We have an emphasis on the basics of reading, English, 'spelling, punctuation, and grammar' (SPAG), and teaching functional literacy. A strategy on many EHCP plans is one of children requiring 'over learning.' We embed this into the curriculum. Barriers to learning are identified in order to implement tailor made programmes with appropriate coverage, content, structure, and sequencing, to unlock the potential of all our children.

Reading is an integral part of the school community and children are encouraged to explore their own curiosities in relation to texts through access to our school library developed in conjunction with East Sussex library service, books in classrooms, sustained, regular collaborative tutor reading (3 x per week), and texts online. ISP School Battle, are actively working towards the One Education Reading Bronze Award. ISP School Battle recognise that struggling readers, including those from disadvantaged backgrounds, frequently experience the opposite cycle to 'good readers' – repeated failures in comprehension contribute to a negative reading self-concept and attitude to reading, associated with feelings of anxiety. We recognise that sustained, collaborative reading, allows children to build on their inference-making skills which are fundamental to comprehension both within texts and in the wider world. Furthermore, cognitive processing is enriched through engagement with narratives with their inherent emotional and empathetic attraction and vocabulary acquisition increases as unfamiliar words are embedded within meaningful text, allowing children to build on emotional literacy, empathy skills and communication skills.

Children's progress is tracked from each individuals' starting point and the emphasis is placed on recognising steps of progress and not expected reading ages, although through implementation our aim is to enable children to close the gaps through a supportive and embedded approach to literacy. Children are encouraged to adopt a problem-solving mind set and in doing so, build resilience and independence. Alongside this our curriculum includes additional reading, Lexia, phonics teaching as well as Drop Everything and Read (DEAR) times.

If necessary we use Oxford Reading Tree as our reading scheme. Additionally, we have a range of other texts that enable children to be flexible in their approach - reading a variety of genre across different publishers. It also provides us with an accurate tracking system and assessment tool for measuring impact. It enables the evaluation of children's knowledge and skills against those expectations for each colour band and National Curriculum standards. The texts we use provide opportunities for speaking, listening, and writing and connect closely to children's phonics knowledge. Our systems, methods and resources facilitate reciprocal links between reading and writing and ensure all children have every opportunity to gain the phonics knowledge and

language comprehension necessary to read for meaning and the skills to communicate, giving them the foundations for future learning and better outcomes in life.

## 9. Nurture Curriculum

We encourage children in our Nurture based classes to become independent thinkers allowing them freedom to explore, create and think critically and actively learn. Where possible they will be encouraged to challenge themselves to build their confidence and resilience, given the opportunity to develop the capacity to surprise themselves and others and to become confident and self-assured. We use questioning, praise and encouragement to develop a positive attitude to learning and high self-esteem. They are taught to be observant, investigative, curious, determined, imaginative, adventurous, co-operative, and to use reasoning.

We have realistic, yet challenging expectations and plan opportunities to extend their knowledge, experiences, and interests, motivating and supporting every child to reach their individual potential. All planning is based on each individual child to ensure their goals are realistic and achievable. Adult led and child-initiated activities are equally important; adults interact sensitively, encouraging perseverance and practice, reinforcing that we all learn at a different pace and can all learn when things go wrong. Our environment and delivery of our curriculum incorporates the three characteristics of effective teaching and learning;

- 1. Playing and exploring children will have opportunities to investigate and experience things, and 'have a go'.
- 2. Active learning children will have time and space to concentrate and keep on trying if they encounter difficulties to allow them the opportunity to enjoy their achievements.
- 3. Creating and thinking critically we encourage and support pupils to have and develop their own ideas, make links between ideas, and develop strategies for doing things.

### **10.** Curriculum and Outcomes

The curriculum is built around the child and consequently we will adapt the curriculum around children so that they have the option to complete various qualifications in subjects which engage and assist them in the next stages of their education. We offer a variety of qualifications and awards as it is an important pathway for our children to receive accreditation for their achievements. We offer a wide range of units which are differentiated, making accreditation accessible to all children regardless of their starting positions.

### 11. Intent

What we are trying to achieve with our curriculum?

The overarching intent of our curriculum is to provide access to a varied national curriculum that enables all children to reach their full potential from their individual starting points.

Curriculum intent is the extent to which our school's intended curriculum sets out the knowledge and skills that children will gain at each stage.

INTENT						
Our Beliefs	Our curriculum is exciting and draws from the best of what has been. It is knowledge- engaged, broad and balanced. We understand the importance of ensuring our children are offered a varied and rich curriculum	Our curriculum ambitious for a our children including the r disadvantaged We have a key role in address social disadvantage ensuring our children have very best char of future succe and happiness	all nost J. y sing and the nce ess	coheren and seq allow all achieve		Our curriculum is designed to be ambitious for our children whilst ensuring it is adapted to develop knowledge, skills and ability with increasing fluency and independence
Adapting the curriculum	National Curriculum We ensure that our children are taught the National Curriculum at a pace that suits their needs. We believe that learning has occurred when a child has experienced a change in their long- term memory.	Vocabulary We recognise that many of our children do not have a broad base of key vocabulary. This is addressed in our curriculum through a range of strategies so that children have the understanding to access learning	Well We reco that cour whice scho has than aver rates heal well conc Chile are enco to be activ throu rang	hty in the bol sits higher age s of th and being cerns. dren buraged ecome	Community We ensure that our children experience the best that East Sussex has to offer so that they can celebrate the world around them	Links We embrace a rich, diverse, British Culture

						them for their role as a global citizen
Phases	Nurture KS3 Children learn through a combination of curriculum led study and nurture based explorative play. We recognise that sometimes children are not ready to access the KS3 curriculum in a traditional manner and allow children time that they need to be emotionally and academically ready to do so.	the skills of be succes phase of t teach the engagem which bro understar around th strong fur reading, v communic develop th them in cl stimulatin children a opportuni Life Skills as Entry L in English allowing c	focus on acquir which are need soful in the next their education se skills throug ent in exciting aden their nding of the wo em. Building o ndamentals of writing, maths a cation, children heir skills, appl hallenging and g situations. O are offered the ty to attain ASI Challenges, a Level qualificat and Maths, children to ce success in on for KS4.	ded to t t We h topics rld n and ying ur DAN s well	for KS Childre suppo skills, unders qualifie enable on to k indepe possib well pr their n Option qualifie bespo childre broad subjec qualifie	en are rted to obtain knowledge and standing and cations to them to move KS5 as endently as le and to be repared for ext steps.

#### 12. Implementation

How do we deliver our intended curriculum?

Curriculum implementation is how we deliver our intended curriculum through our implementation plans, including teaching, assessment and feedback Implementation is how we put our aims into practice.

Our curriculum is comprised of academic learning in all subjects, as well as priority learning areas (including communication, behaviour, social skills, community participation, independent/daily living skills).

As an independent school we ensure that all Independent School Standards are met.

#### How our curriculum is implemented?

Individualised programs as required that are child centred and built on the targets set at the annual reviews of children's Education, Health and Care Plans (EHCP).

Small Group Learning based on our intended curriculum to provide breadth and balance of coverage.

Whole School events and experiences including enrichment activities, whole school events and community visits.

At each key stage, our curriculum is set out incrementally so that each target area can be clearly seen in small, achievable steps.

Our implementation of our curriculum is accessible to all children, regardless of their level of ability or learning style.

The balance between some 1:1 sessions, small group work and community outings may vary according to individual need.

IMPLEMENTATION							
Learning	Vision	Ready	to		Learning to	2	Engaged in
Behaviour		Learn			Learn	-	Learning
	Our school				We recogni	se	Our children
	values are	As a sc	ho	ol	that		deserve to be
	embedded into	that add	opt	sa	metacogniti	ve	captivated in the
	our learning:			strategies a		experience and	
	ISP School,			important in		possibilities of	
	Battle strives	mission			deepening t		learning.
	to help all	provide	ea	ich	learning		Through
	children reach	, child wi			process. Ou	ır	amazing
	their potential	diverse			key strategi		openings,
	and believe	education	on	in a	include:		exciting endings,
	that they can	safe,			building		opportunities to
	achieve, be	support	ive	•	resilience,		access real life
	kind, make	environ	me	ent	practical		learning and
	positive	that pro	mc	otes	application,		lessons
	relationships,	self-control		managing		designed with	
	communicate	and		cognitive loa	ad,	individualism in	
	well and grow	engagement,		supporting		mind – our	
	as individuals	inspires		working		children learn	
		learning and		memory,		with passion and	
		encourages		elaborated		enthusiasm	
		aspiration and		word teachi	ng		
		achievement		and			
				celebrating			
					success		
<u>Curriculum</u>	As a team we w	ork					ce and Computing
depth and	collaboratively to						<b>ities:</b> English,
<u>breadth</u>	that learning is c		d.			ohy,	RE and MFL –
	Cross curricular				o down days		
	opportunities are					d De	esign, Drama, DT,
	capitalised upon						
	children are rew	······································			0.		
	achievements b			oking and Nutrition, RE, PSHE,			
	the formal curric	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			Careers		
	emotional literad		_				
<u>Planning</u>	Long Term Pla				<u>mentation</u>		<u>ort Term</u>
	Our long term pl	lanning		Plans			inning
	ensures that			•	nced		r adults ensure
	progression in s			•	ssion is		t regular formative
	and knowledge				ed against		sessment leads to
	mapped backwa	ards	E	EHCP targets. We		chi	ldren's work being

We ensure that work isunderstand that theunderstand theof assessment		rom EHCP targ Children receive proad and balar curriculum	e a	to get to from the by focus specific careful aspect knowled will driv unders forward making what the know a the focus	edge which ve their standing ds, whilst g links with ney already and laying indations of		tched to their next ps in their learning
WeWeWe use a varietyWe ensure that work isunderstand that theunderstand theof assessment methods to	y Drivers			t		1	Assessment
and matches the aims of our Intended Curriculum		We ensure hat work is demanding and matches he aims of our ntended	Subject Knowledge We understand that the importance of teachers having excellent subject knowledge for the skills and knowledge they are teaching. This is developed through a collaborative approach and		understand the importance working bac from end goals. Strategies include differentiatio and scaffolding, improving knowledge retention through planned and regular reca managing cognitive loa to aid workin memory, questioning strategies to deepen understandi , making lin so that facts are not	ch ch ch ch ch ch ch ch ch ch ch ch ch c	methods to capture accurate data on each of our children. We use the information gathered efficiently and effectively to promote progress. <b>Real</b> <b>Experiences</b> We ensure that children have access to high quality experiences outside of the classroom. This includes educational visits, guest speakers/visitors, charity and community
Reading We recognise that reading is Phonics Cohesion Reading Skills							010110

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	key to	Where	From the initial	We recognise
	assuring the	Phonics	assessment	the importance
	future	teaching is	we focus on	of word
	prosperity of	necessary,	progress in	recognition going
	our children	we ensure	children's	hand in hand
		that our	reading, with	with language
		children have	books being	comprehension.
		the best start	matched to	We ensure the
		using a	ability	children have the
		systematic	<u>Vocabulary</u>	skills they need
		synthetic, age	We	to be readers.
		appropriate,	understand	
		phonics	the	Celebration
		approach. We	importance of	<u>Success</u>
		accurately	children	Children are
		assess	building a	given every
		existing	wide and	opportunity to
		knowledge	varied	see how they are
		and skills.	vocabulary	progressing with
			and don't	their reading
			leave this to	skills and gain
			chance. Our	success and self
			children read	belied in their
			a range of rich	skills as they
			challenging	develop
			texts.	
<u>Teacher</u>				ance of managing
<u>Workload</u>				assessment and
				oup process, daily
	debriefs, and lea	adership have ar	n open door policy	y for all adults.

#### 13. Impact

What difference is our curriculum making to our children?

The outcomes that children achieve as a result of the education they've received. Children should be able to demonstrate progress. What evidence do we use at ISP School, Battle to capture progress? ISP School, Battle uses a range of evidence to capture the full picture of children's progress. The range of measures and assessments used includes: Formative Assessment Summative Assessment Child friendly questionnaires and surveys **Boxall Profiles** IDL literacy assessment WRAT 5 assessment Lexia **Emotional Literacy assessments** Work Scrutiny Lesson Observations Joint moderation opportunities with our sister school: Teynham, Kent.

ІМРАСТ					
Assessment and Attainment	How we assess academic and	How we assess that children are	How we assess childrens'		
	social standards	ready for the next	personal		
		stage of their	<u>development</u>		
	National Tests, WRAT 5, IDL	<u>learning</u> Analysis of key	Analysis of		
	reading and	skills: Reading,	attendance		
	spelling, Lexia,	Writing, Maths and	Analysis of		
	Boxall Profiles,	Science	behaviour		
	Emotional Literacy	Analysis of wider	Child safety		
	assessments,	curriculum:	surveys and		
	Community Meetings.	knowledge and skills	questionnaires Child meetings		
	Analysis	Community	Community		
	undertaken by	Meetings	meetings		
	class teachers,		Reward system to		
	SLT, quality		celebrate		
	assurance visits through external		engagement		
	reviews, local				
	authority quality				
	assurance.				
	Review by				
Evaluation	governors	Middle Leaders	Adults		
	<u>Governance</u>	(when in place)	Addits		
	Full governors	Regular review of	Questionnaires		
	meetings	data – child	Staff wellbeing led		
	Governors are	progress meetings	Collaborative		
	involved in the	Work Scrutiny	approach		
	school community and attend	CPD support for all adults	Daily debriefs Fortnightly group		
	celebration	Parents and	process		
	assemblies as well	Community	Supervision		
	as evaluative	Questionnaires	<u>Children</u>		
	visits.	OFSTED parent	Child surveys		
	SLT Weekly leadership	view Safeguarding	Democracy sessions		
	meetings	forums and	Child meetings		
	Termly reviews of	updates	Community		
	data	Daily	meetings		
	Termly reviews of	communication via	Open door policy –		
	curriculum Work scrutipy	home/school	Head Teacher		
	Work scrutiny ensuring links to	books, emails, telephone,			
	Intended	teacher2parent			
	Curriculum,	app and Class			
		Dojo			

Implementation Plans and Impact Community Meetings		
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#### 14. Curriculum enrichment

We offer independent careers guidance in accordance with the Department for Education (DfE) careers guidance and access for education and training providers. This is delivered through our online platform which offers consistency in a changing climate. We ensure that all children are supported to choose the next steps that is right for them. We ensure that a programme of advice and guidance is delivered in a stable and structured way by individuals with the right skills and experience. Children are supported with progress into further education in the next stage of their lives and are supported with independent careers advice and transition.

PE is taught on and off site, children can work towards unit awards and other forms of qualifications.

Our 'Prevent' work promotes and ensures that all children are aware of the fundamental British values of democracy and mutual respect for, and tolerance of, those with different faiths and beliefs, and for those without faith. We use the resources provided by CEOP and our local Prevent Officer who works for the Safety East Sussex Team and our children are encouraged to demonstrate positive peer interactions in line with our school reward system.

We comply with the Department for Education (DfE) (2019) statutory guidance on relationships education, relationships, and sex education (RSE) and health education. Today's children and young people are growing up in an increasingly complex world and living their lives seamlessly on and offline. This presents many positive and exciting opportunities, but also challenges and risks. In this environment, children and young people need to know how to be safe and healthy and how to manage their academic, personal, and social lives in a positive way.

Our guiding principles to delivering relationship and sex education is that the content must be age appropriate and developmentally appropriate. It must be taught sensitively and inclusively, with respect to the backgrounds and beliefs of children and parents while always with the aim of providing children with the knowledge they need of the law. We are clear that parents and carers are the prime educators for children on many of these matters. Schools complement and reinforce this role and we seek to build on what pupils learn at home as an important part of delivering a good education. We seek to deliver outstanding provision to support the personal development and pastoral needs of our children. We work flexibly to shape the curriculum content and delivery according to the needs of the children. Community meetings are the anchor of this work with our children alongside Votes for Schools, PSHE, and RHSE lessons.

We enrich the school-based curriculum by broadening children's experiences within the local community and beyond through visits, trips and inviting outside speakers into the school. We create a culture of respect for difference. We are firm believers in helping our children become positive citizens of the local, national and international community. We have regular, timetabled assemblies/lessons (2 x per week), such as Votes For Schools, that allow children to explore themes, events and news stories that affect them and the wider community, alongside the opportunity to raise money for a variety of charities that the children have chosen to support and allows ensuring full coverage of SMSC, British Values, and Prevent.