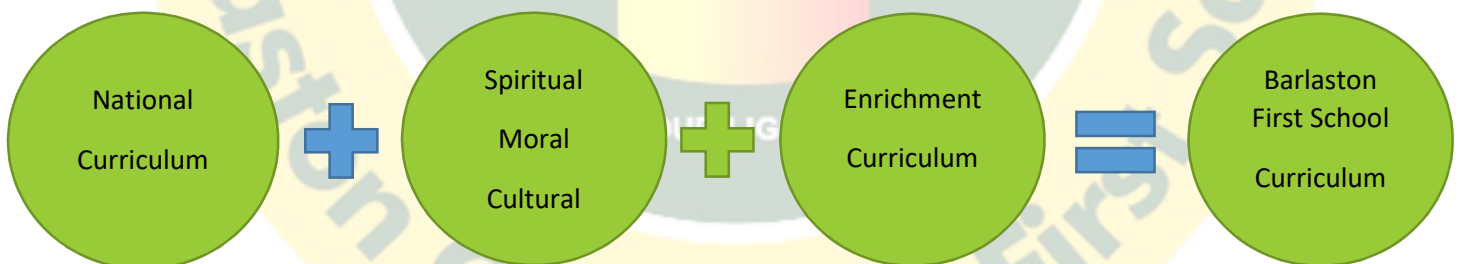




## Our Curriculum Intent

### Let Your Light Shine Through Family, Friendship and Faith

At Barlaston, we thrive in providing our children from Nursery through to year four, with a rich and varied school experience, ensuring that children flourish in this secure and happy environment. We develop the “Whole” child through well planned lessons and learning experiences, ensuring the children love their learning, grow in confidence and flourish with security, self-belief and a good sense of what being a good person entails. We’ve developed three areas to provide our unique school curriculum.



Through our ethos “let your light shine through family, friendship and faith” we value the uniqueness of each individual child plus recognise and nurture their potential for learning. We know that if a child is happy and secure, they will learn. Our aim, through our curriculum, is to ensure every child is inspired to be the best they can be, to instil within them Christian values that will be carried with them through life’s journey and to inspire them to be a good role model to others, throughout all of their life.

We believe that our curriculum provides the right balance between understanding and using knowledge, as well as developing and applying skills, leading to better understanding and progression for the pupils.

Our curriculum has been designed with the following intent:

- Focus on the well-being of both children and adults, ensuring they know each individual is valued, along with their uniqueness and individuality, and that they all belong to our caring and supportive school family
- Focus on ensuring children feel safe and able to make mistakes. To learn from those mistakes and to ensure self-esteem and self-belief are key to their personal development
- Celebrating diversity, recognise individual needs and provide equal opportunities for all.
- Ensuring that everyone is given the opportunity to flourish and live out our Christian values of Family, Friendship and Faith
- Encourage the children to question, investigate, make mistakes and learn from them.
- Encourage the children to know they are on an exciting learning journey, where they will be supported and encouraged all the way
- Encouraging everyone to take responsibility for their own actions and develop the ability to persevere.
- Ensuring RE and Worship is central to the life of the school, to encourage the spiritual development of all children and adults.
- Delivering a well-taught, creative, relevant, broad and balanced curriculum, which inspires the children to see God's world as a place of wonder, and develops a love of learning.
- Working collaboratively with parents, learners, members of the community, the church, educational partners and other professionals to ensure all children receive the very best start to their learning journey.

**Please see our breakdown of individual year group long term plans**

