Seven Stars Enhanced Curriculum

Vision

'To open doors for all our children to experiences and opportunities that they may not have access to, enhancing the curriculum and helping to nurture, develop and stretch pupils' talents and skills'

It is our aim to support pupils' learning and embed understanding by providing experiences and opportunities to all pupils during their time with us. Over the last 3 years opportunities to enhance the pupils' curriculum have included:

Rock Kidz (workshops and concert)	 Live music experience, singing and dancing (with songs linked to school values and PSHE themes) Underlining key messages of unity, resilience, tolerance 		
Kinetic Theatre Company (Lady Cecily's Soundbox)	 Performance linked to the Science curriculum with focus on sound and other science concepts (pupil participation) 		
Cookery session in the school kitchen	Small group sessions in the school kitchen with children developing DT, Science and life skills including raising awareness of		
Gardening	- Developing Science and life skills through growing own produce (which the children then cook and prepare in the school kitchen)		
Outdoor curriculum (using the school grounds)	 One class goes out one afternoon a week with the Science subject teacher on a rota basis to develop science skills using the school grounds and enhance other aspects of the school curriculum (e.g. 'digging for victory' for Year 6) as well as developing team-building skills, investigate the outdoor environment and develop vocabulary 		
Visits by the Fire Service to EYFS, Year 2 and Year 6	 Raising awareness of fire safety as well as role models for pupils in the world of work (Preparation for Adulthood) 		
Christmas Unwrapped and Easter Cracked at Leyland Baptist Church	 Visit to the local Baptist church by year groups to engage with activities linked to key Christian festivals and hear people talk about their lived faith experience (SMSC) 		
Money Matters Years 5 and 6	- Developing awareness of how to live a healthy financial life		
Year 6 trip to London and Parliament	 Developing awareness of British Values and in particular democracy as well as aspects geography appreciation of place in contrast to Leyland 		
Trips to South Lakes Zoo, Space Port, Liverpool Museum and Worden Park	 Trips that enhance curriculum areas studies (history, science, geography and links to local area) 		
Visits to school from the Local MP Katherine Fletcher (and previously from Seema Kennedy); Mayor and Mayoress of Leyland; Lord High Sheriff of Lancashire	 Raising awareness of British democracy engaging with local and national politicians (including discussions around the COP26 climate change conference). Promoting school values through role models from the local community 		
Pupil Parliament	 Pupils from each class involved in democratic elections in school and taking on responsibilities within school 		
Performances of High School Musical and The Greatest Showman	 Developing music curriculum (singing) as well as speaking in public, performance/drama skills and team-work 		
Visit of Ian Billings (author and poet)	 Supporting writing development throughout the school with poetry workshops and love for reading 		
Visits to support science learning from 'Jungle John' (Creepy Crawly Roadshow) and 'Ranger Rob'	 Focus for classes on understanding the habitats and the characteristics of animals from around the world (and raising some environmental issues) 		
Growth Mind-set Ross McWilliam	- Assemblies that supported the introduction of growth mind-set principles		
Visit from British nuclear scientist	- Scientist explaining the role of British nuclear fuels and energy (and about her job)		
'What's my role' assemblies (visits by people from different industries/career paths for children to identify their jobs)	- Raising awareness of jobs / world of work and what qualities and skills are needed to enter those jobs		
Careers day	 Year 5 and Year 6 pupils visit stalls set up in the hall talking to representatives from businesses, colleges and services asking them about their jobs and roles to raise awareness of the world of work 		

'Lost Words' Week	 A whole school project aimed at reducing the word gap and increasing a love for discovering and valuing words (especially those specific to nature) 			
Emotions week (based on the Colour Monster)	 Whole school discussion (and activities) related to understanding our emotions (linked to mental health and emotional well-being) 			
Scholastic Book Fair	 Annual event raising the pleasure of reading and giving chance for pupils to purchase books (and talk about books they have purchased) 			
World Book Day	- Encouraging reading for pleasure as well as creative skills through e.g. potato models of characters from books			
Library Book Bus / Learning Pod and Fabulous Book Awards	- Encouragement of reading for pleasure			
Anti-bullying (Friendship) week	- Raising awareness of issues around bullying and strategies to stop bullying both face to face and on-line			
Christmas Carol concerts at Catholic church	 Joining with other schools in the local area for a music event singing carols at the local Catholic Church and raising awareness of Christian 'lived experience' of Christmas 			
Science week (with High Schools) & Y6 Rockets with visiting teacher	 Devising and conducting investigations throughout the week, including visiting the local High School, and concluding with a Science Fair to which parents and High School teachers are invited where investigations are presented and concepts explained 			
Police assemblies (ASBO) PCSO Tony	 Developing awareness of British Values and rule of law encouraging the children to make positive contributions to society and making them aware of the consequences of not keeping to the rule of law 			
Y2 Dinosaur Day; Y1 Pirates Day; Y6 Mexico Day; Y3 India Day and Indian dance workshops; Y4 Volcanoes visit from person Celleg Rocks	 Events linked to the theme for the term or half-term at which key knowledge and concepts are embedded through such things as imagery, acting, role-play, personal accounts, immersion in culture and hands-on events 			
Dance from the Heart	 Annual dance performance with the children rehearsing a dance on a theme and performing for parents and others 			
Football; kwik cricket; tag rugby; yoga; boxing; cheerleading girls football swimming (Y5 and Y6) Sports leaders (Y5 & Y6)	- Sports coaching after school with support from South Ribble sports coaches			
Year 6 Residential Visit to Hothersall Lodge	 To develop team-building skills and strength of character as well as life skills To develop resilience and opportunities to try out new skills e.g. archery and canoeing 			
MacMillan Coffee morning Harvest Assembly – SLEAP Remembrance – Poppies Child In Need day & Red Nose Day Roald Dahl foundation (seriously ill children) Histon Americo child sponsorship Sponsored skipping (British Heart Foundation)	Whole school events that raise awareness of key causes and encourages the children to make a positive contribution to society			
Key Stage 2 choir	- Choir after school focusing on singing various types of music (previously also including participating in the 'Sing Up' event in Manchester)			
Instrument tuition	 Recently introduced ukulele tuition (started in Year 5 and continuing into Year 6) 'Boomwhackers' and recorders also being introduced 			
Spanish Club for Year 2	 Specialist Spanish teacher delivering after-school Spanish sessions to Year 2 pupils as way of preparing them for the KS2 curriculum 			