

St. Bernard's Curriculum Intent

OVERALL INTENT We will foster a lifelong love of learning through engaging children in relevant purposeful and exciting child-centered learning. Through varied provision, support and challenge we will support each child in achieving as a learner, developing enquiring minds and as a person - developing social, moral and emotional resilience.

	INTENT	Explanation
	Social and Moral development	We will pro-actively include social and moral development across the curriculum linking with our mission statement "you are precious in my eyes." We will support children in developing respect for themselves and others and preparing them to be good citizens of the future.
	Developing Life Skills	We will maintain a focus in our curriculum to develop life skills including resilience, independence, self-motivation, self-awareness, self-esteem, and mental well being
	Flexible	We will review and adapt our curriculum to meet the needs and interests of our learners. Children's interests and knowledge will be a factor in determining our curriculum.
	Skills based	Our curriculum will focus on skills based learning where our children develop skills that they can use in other topics and other areas of the curriculum
	Practical	Our curriculum will include a wealth of practical learning giving greater purpose and relevance to learning and providing children with the opportunity to learn through doing rather than rote content learning.
	Relevant, Purposeful & Engaging	The curriculum will be grounded in real life experiences which are meaningful to our children. The children will be exposed to issues in the local community, national and international events. Relevant links will be made at every opportunity. Our school family will be encouraged to be independent enquirers and ask Life's Big Questions. They will be exposed to experts in their field, be it staff, other children, visitors or the wider school family
	Challenge	We will challenge our children to be the best that they can through careful planning prior to the lessons and also through "in the moment planning."