



Curriculum Statement for Purbrook Infant School



The children achieve well at Purbrook Infant School and leave Year Two prepared for the next step in their education.

We achieve this by providing the children with a broad, progressive and engaging curriculum where creativity drives the themes we use to ensure that the children learn to the highest level. We provide a range of experiences to bring the curriculum to life including visits, visitors, drama, multimedia and a use of exciting artefacts. We believe children learn best when they are excited, motivated and most of all having fun.

In the Early Years we provide a balance of daily adult-led group times which focus on early reading, writing and maths and child-led play activities both inside and outside. We feel this approach gives children the firm foundations needed for later learning.

In Key Stage One we continue this creative and balanced curriculum with a full range of foundation subjects, including the creative arts. Many of our topics, often decided by the children will be 'hooked' by a historical, geographical or scientific theme – leading the learning of maths and English through foundation skills and facts. We believe the children should see the links between subjects, therefore having the highest expectations across all subjects.

Many children enter Purbrook Infant School below the expectation to achieve Early Learning Goals in the physical area of learning, communication, reading and writing. Our Ethos of 'Learning and Growing Together' ensures that we leave no child behind, a carefully planned curriculum, personalised for individual children ensures all children develop the resilience, determination and drive to develop key learning skills. This together with flexible groupings delivers our high results. We believe the learning journey starts on the child's first day and for our disadvantaged children we ensure Purbrook is for the child what the home is for the advantaged.

Music is passionately taught by all and celebrated throughout the county as being outstanding, as a school we have won many county competitions and awards for high quality music provision for all. Sport and the outdoors drive our balanced curriculum, we provide quality PE throughout the week through taught sessions and through child initiation during playtimes and after school cubs. Forest school is a regular feature in our week where children take their learning back to nature developing exploration and independent skills, therefore ensuring children at Purbrook establish healthy, independent skills, well balanced for further learning and preparing them for the wider world.

For further details on our curriculum please read the prospectus and explore our year group pages.

