

Curriculum

The curriculum is what will be taught. The government has slimmed these requirements down to enable schools to add areas they feel children need for their development. Follow the links below to see our new curriculum maps for 2019/2020.

English

At St Hilda's C of E Primary, we follow the 'Read, Write Inc Literacy and Language Programme' from Year 2 to Year 6. The aim of the programme is to develop children's comprehension, writing and spoken language. As part of the English lesson, the children will read a range of different texts which engage all children. Through the special 'three reads' approach the children gain a deep understanding of what they read as well as creating articulate speakers where children are able to justify their answers and learn how to debate.

Within Early Years and Year 1 children are exposed to a variety of different books: stories, non-fiction, playscripts, poetry etc. They read and discuss these texts and then use them to produce their own writing.

Mathematics

At St Hilda's C of E Primary, we follow the 'White Rose Hub Programme' from Year 1 through to Year 6. Learning in maths is enhanced by the use of the concrete, pictorial and abstract approach, with children being allowed to develop and embed skills through fluency tasks and then by using and applying these skills through practical and purposeful problem solving and reasoning activities.

Religious Education

RE is an essential and incredibly important part of the curriculum at St Hilda's C of E Primary School is taught as a discrete subject once a week. Our curriculum covers a range of faiths with a Christian basis. We follow the Manchester agreed syllabus based on the work of the Blackburn Diocese. In Nursery and Reception child led learning allows the children to explore artefacts related to their half term topic, encouraging the children to ask questions and share stories. Across KS1 and KS2, a yearly overview ensures children cover a wide variety of topics and themes which are in turn linked to our Christian values. Lessons throughout school are planned to be engaging and allow the children to openly share their faith.

Foundation Subjects

Here at St Hilda's we provide a creative curriculum based around the International Primary Curriculum (IPC) which encompasses Science, History, Geography, Art, Technology, Society and International. It is a comprehensive curriculum with a clear process of learning and with specific learning goals for every subject, for personal learning and for International Mindedness. School fundamentally believes that children will be better equipped for life beyond school if they are more globally aware. We define international mindedness as *'To have an awareness of ourselves and others.'*

Personal, Social and Health Education (PSHE)

PSHE helps to give children the knowledge, skills and understanding they need to lead confident, healthy and independent lives. It aims to help them understand how they are developing personally and socially, tackling any of the moral, social and cultural issues that are part of growing up.

At St Hilda's C of E Primary School we follow Heartsmart, which offers a comprehensive programme for primary PSHE including statutory relationships and health education, giving children relevant learning experiences to help them navigate their world and to develop positive relationships with themselves and others. There are links to Christian values throughout the scheme.

Computing

At St Hilda's we follow I Compute:

- *Computer Science*: This teaches children design, logical reasoning, problem solving and resilience which are all valuable skills that can be used beyond the classroom.
- *Digital Citizenship*: Children examine the consequences of their online activity – both good and bad. Through teaching this we thoroughly embed the principles of staying safe online and then move onto web content and how they interact with it.
- *Digital Literacy*: The essential component of digital literacy is the deep learning of six core skills i.e. collaboration, creativity, critical thinking, citizenship, character and communication.
- *Information Technology*: Through this we teach children how to navigate around a variety of devices, type, save work, find and move files. Children will also understand how to use the internet and the web, use search engines, understand networks and generally be independent users of a range of technologies.

Music

At St Hilda's C of E Primary School, music is provided by Trafford Music Service. Pupils learn to play an instrument for in Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2. Children learn, sing and record a CD with I Sing Pop bi-annually and perform in a concert.

Modern Foreign Languages

At St Hilda's, pupils in KS2 are learning French. Stretford Grammar are working with St Hilda's to teach French using their language ambassadors. Pupils also follow the Catherine Cheater scheme of work.

Physical Education

We believe that sport and PE are extremely important to the physical health and emotional wellbeing of our children. We are dedicated to ensuring our children become more active and engaged in sport and we do this through a fun, varied and competitive PE curriculum and extra-curricular sporting activities.