



Governor's Curriculum Statement 2017-2018

At Gotham Primary School we aim to deliver a broad, balanced and exciting curriculum.

We will deliver the curriculum through a rolling cycle of discrete subject focus weeks, but will continue to make cross-curricular links where appropriate. (See '*Curriculum Time Allocations*' appendix for overview)

Our curriculum will include the core areas of learning and experience which are defined within the National Curriculum, and go beyond the statutory requirements to ensure a richness and depth of study in each area.

We also deliver **Personal Social and Health Education**, which includes **SRE** (Sex and Relationships) education appropriate to the ages of the children. All pupils are taught **French** as a modern foreign language.

SMSC and **British Values** permeate every area of the curriculum (see 2015 audits)

Broad areas of learning that take place across the school are:

- The development of communication skills through **English**, and develops skills in; spoken language, listening, writing, reading and information handling. The English curriculum includes **Novel Study** in Y1-6 and discrete **SPAG** lessons throughout the school. We use **Rainbow Grammar** to improve grammatical accuracy, **WordCraft** to improve spelling and vocabulary, and **Letters and Sounds** to teach phonics. **Handwriting** using joined cursive script is taught throughout the school.
- The development of **mathematical** skills in; number, shape and space, measures, investigation and data handling.
- The development of enquiry through topics that develop skills and knowledge in **history, geography and science**.
- The development of physical skills through **PE** lessons in athletics, gymnastics, games, and swimming.
- The development of aesthetic and creative arts through topics that develop skills in **music, art, design technology, dance and drama**.
- The development of positive and empathetic attitudes and values through **SMSC, RE, PSHE, SRE and British Values**.

Strategic Development/Pupils Committee

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