

The Curriculum at St. Mary's Catholic Primary School

At St. Mary's our curriculum follows the R.E Curriculum as set by Liverpool Archdiocese and the National Curriculum.

Religious Education and the school's Mission Statement and Core Values underpin all that we do at St. Mary's.

Subjects are taught both discretely and as part of creative topic webs/themes that have been carefully designed to link skills and knowledge together - which in turn make learning more meaningful to the children.

Within our topics we incorporate key skills as well as specific subject skills and knowledge. We try hard to ensure that all topics begin with **Stunning Starts** in order to draw the children into the new topic and end with **Fantastic Finishes** to celebrate the children's work at the end of the topic.

A wide variety of teaching methods are used, which are designed to give the children the chance to learn in different ways. Children are taught as a whole class, with group, paired and individual work also widely used.

Children are challenged to develop their independent skills so that they are able to drive their own learning forwards and are encouraged to be curious so that they develop a natural interest in the world around them.

Above all else, we are working hard as a school to foster a creative, exciting, challenging and diverse curriculum where our children are able to develop a love of learning and where our children are able to gain the skills and knowledge needed to enable them to continue to be successful learners in later life.

Our new Creative/Topic Curriculum has only just been introduced this year as we are keen to raise the profile of subjects other than Maths and English. We – and the children - are very excited about the year ahead and we are all looking forward to exploring the new themes and topics.

Click on the year groups to see the curriculum content for each class.

