



Kender Primary School Curriculum Statement

The curriculum at Kender Primary School aims to:

- inspire children to develop a love of learning;
- promote the school values of **readiness, resilience and respect**;
- enable children to become creative, enquiring and reflective learners who make progress and achieve;
- build confident and resilient individuals who know how to live safe, healthy and fulfilling lives;
- develop aspirational children ready to make a positive contribution to modern British 21st century society;
- nurture respect for and appreciation of all values, cultures and beliefs within the school and the local and global communities;
- and provide children with a wide range of experiences to deepen and enrich their learning.

Our curriculum is underpinned by the framework of knowledge, skills and understanding outlined in the National Curriculum 2014. By teaching the core subjects of English, Maths and Science within the context of topic themes we create a coherent, stimulating and engaging curriculum. Non-core subjects, including Art and Design, Computing, Design and Technology, Geography and History are also taught within these themes too, providing context and encouraging deeper learning and understanding.

Our termly topics are introduced through 'Wow Starts' to engage and excite pupils immediately in the theme and are concluded with 'Wow Events' that help children to develop their speaking and listening skills and share their learning in a meaningful way with their families. We host an annual exhibition at the end of our whole school Summer Project.

We also specialise in some areas of the wider curriculum, and actively promote school sport, music and art.

We offer a wide range of sporting opportunities including:

- swimming lessons;
- dance and gymnastic lessons;
- PE lessons led by sports coaches, which ensure progression in sports skills across the school;

- playing for the school football teams in Blackheath;
- participation in sporting competitions including the Lewisham Schools Netball Competition.

We engage and inspire pupils to develop a love of music. Currently, children learn musicality in year one, samba drumming in Year 2, ukulele in Year 4 and upper Key Stage 2 participate in a musical project with the Multi-Story Orchestra. Small group tuition is available for: guitar, saxophone, flute, drum kit drumming and recorder. At the end of each year we celebrate children's learning at Kenderbury.

We have a specialist Art teacher who enhances children's creativity through different media enhanced by local art community projects and in partnership with the South London Gallery, Bold Tendencies and British Council.

We contribute to children's life skills and Social, Moral, Spiritual and Cultural Development through experiences within the classroom and beyond. These opportunities include: Forest School, residential trips, making links with businesses, participating in sporting events and educational visits - including to places of worship.

Our involvement with the Opal Play Project – recognised nationally - and our school play philosophy encourages creativity, emotional and social development, independence and risk taking amongst our pupils.

Through a positive and caring ethos and meaningful curriculum, we provide the opportunity for every child strive to reach their full potential, becoming **successful citizens**.