

# Our Curriculum Drivers

## Aspiration

### Reason

- Many pupils need support in understanding and becoming aware of the wide range of career paths available to them and how to set targets towards achieving their goals.
- Many pupils require the platform and opportunities to undertake a wide range of enrichment activities that can celebrate their talents and interests.
- A need to provide children with role models that challenge preconceptions and inspire ambition.
- Need to develop confidence and self-belief.

### Aim

- Children at Whitchurch believe that anyone can achieve as long as they have a clear goal in mind and are encouraged to work hard, become more independent and motivated learners.
- Pupils can combine their academic studies and engagement with extra-curricular activities to become a well-rounded individual who is able to share and celebrate their successes with confidence and pride.



## Lifelong Learners

### Reason

- Many pupils require support to take risks within their learning and use their curiosity and creativity to work more independently and expand their general knowledge.
- Many pupils need to develop a wider range of problem solving strategies, as well as the ability to challenge and apply these strategies to real life scenarios.
- Opportunities to make connections within the curriculum and their daily lives to enhance schema for retaining more information for longer.

### Aim

- Whitchurch's school motto is 'Learners today, leaders tomorrow'. Pupils fulfil this ethos by motivating and inspiring themselves and others to believe that learning is a process that is always on-going. Pupils are able to draw upon their knowledge, skills and values to broaden their knowledge of the world and provide them with the tools needed to help them in their future endeavours.



## Active and Responsible Global Citizens

### Reason

- Challenges and potential conflicts within a multicultural community and the need to develop tolerance and respect towards others.
- Pupils have limited opportunities to develop the knowledge, skills and values they need to engage with the world and see that they have power to act and influence the world around them.
- Pupils have a duty to safeguard Earth for the next generation and beyond. They need to be able to understand how to play a prominent role within society towards building sustainability and fairness within the environment and the human race.

### Aim

- Whitchurch children exhibit understanding of and respect for those with different backgrounds and beliefs. They demonstrate a willingness to engage with and support community cohesion and inclusion, whilst being able to challenge inequality at all levels. They are respectful, kind and ambitious members of the community and the wider world are well aware of their role in the world.



## Mental and Physical Wellbeing

### Reason

- Impact of the global pandemic has led to pupils and families living in challenging circumstances with a lack of regular opportunities for play, social interaction and outdoor learning.
- Many children require support in developing their resilience to life's challenges and developing a growth mind-set.
- Many children require further support in understanding and expressing their emotions knowing how to take ownership of their emotional wellbeing.

### Aim

- Children at Whitchurch are taught how to express and manage their feelings and emotions in a calm and nurturing environment. They are taught how to promote their self-esteem, self-worth and emotional well-being.
- They are taught the importance of growing healthy connections with trusted others and how to recognise these.

