

PENKETH CURRICULUM 2025/2026

Progressive knowledge curriculum

Our guiding principle is to deliver a first class education through partnership, innovation, school improvement and accountability

Core values

Children First

We have high expectations for every child. Everything we do as an organisation is in the interest of children first and foremost

Resilience

We are unrelenting in our pursuit of excellence whether it is for educational outcomes or for the business function of the MAT

Pioneering

We are passionate about learning about practice that will improve our children's lives and their outcomes

Curriculum Aims

To develop the character of a child through well chosen experiences

To prepare them for life with skills/ knowledge that equips them to be successful in their life

To have an understanding of their personal, local, national and global responsibility

To ignite a passion that sustains and inspires them to live their lives to the full

Evidence informed pedagogy

Practising & Retrieval

Oracy Vocabulary

Modelling & Explanation

Questioning & Feedback

Personal Development

SMSC:

Spiritual

Moral

Social

Cultural

Promoting British

Democracy

Rule of law

Individual liberty

Mutual respect Tolerance

School Values

Perseverance

Inclusion

Friendship

EYFS overarching

Unique child

Positive relationships

Enabling environments

Children develop/ learn in different ways and at different rates

EYFS Framework

Prime areas

Communication and Language

Physical Development

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

Literacy

Maths

Understanding the world

Expressive Arts and Design

National curriculum

RE

English

Maths

Computing

Art & Design

D & T

Geography

History

MFL

Music

PE

Science

Personal, Social, Health and Economic Education (PSHE)

Intent

Implementation

DEFINITIONS

Evidence informed pedagogy

Practise & Retrieval

Children use practise and retrieval to secure their fluency in storing and retrieving information from their long term memory.

Retrieval practise uses a variety of strategies, quizzes, peer supported retrieval concrete examples, independent practise, rehearsal and performance, weekly monthly review guided practice

Oracy & Vocabulary

Knowledge and abilities involved in knowing a word with generalisation being the ability to define a word application the ability to select or recognise situations appropriate to a word: breadth the knowledge of multiple meanings; precision the ability to apply a term correctly to all situations and to recognise inappropriate use and availability the actual use of a word in thinking and discourse.

To deepen children's knowledge engage in structured exchanges of ideas. Debate talk for writing, instructional inputs, vocabulary test.

Modelling & Explanation

Children learn successfully through modelling and explaining worked examples. Backward finding abstract models and concrete examples. Scaffolding, line modelling securing understanding through worked misconceptions

Questioning & Feedback

Highly successful in making children think and providing timely feedback to support teacher understanding as to how well things are going, developing strategies of cold calling, think, pair, share, show me boards, check for understanding, say it again better, probing questions, feedback that moves forward as actions probe questions

SMSC

Spiritual

Exploring beliefs and experience; respecting faiths, feelings and values; enjoying learning about oneself, others and the surrounding world; using imagination and creativity; reflect

Moral

Recognise right and wrong; respect the law; understand consequences; investigate moral and ethical issues; offer reasoned views.

Social

Use a range of social skills; participate in the local community; appreciate diverse viewpoints; participate, volunteer and cooperate; resolve conflict; engage with the 'British values' of democracy, the rule of law, liberty, respect and tolerance.

Cultural

Appreciating cultural influences; appreciating the role of Britain's parliamentary system; participating in culture opportunities; understand, accept, respect and celebrate diversity.

Promoting British Values

Democracy

A culture built upon freedom and equality where everyone is aware of their rights and responsibilities

Rule of law

The need for rules to make a happy, safe environment to live and work

Individual liberty

Protection of your rights and the right of others

Mutual respect and tolerance

Understanding that we don't all share the same beliefs and values. Respecting the values, ideas and beliefs of others whilst not imposing our own on others

School Values

Perseverance

Overcoming our obstacles

Inclusion

Being accepting of others and putting others needs before our own.

Friendship

Looking after yourself, others the community and the environment.