

Personal Development Strategic Overview



Harthill Primary School

Our Intention

We aim to create an ethos where all children are valued and given quality opportunities to thrive in order to support them to become confident, happy and effective learners who in the future will be ready to make positive contributions to society.

We want our children to develop key life skills in order for them to be able to face the realities of the world we live in and, for all of our learners to reach their full potential whilst having an enjoyable and memorable time at school.

We ensure that Harthill Primary School is an inclusive place that meets the needs of all children; our curriculum offer and wider opportunities are open to all.

Our Offer

Our approach to Personal Development is tiered:

Tier 1 – our ethos, which underpins every aspect of school life and drives everything that we do.

Tier 2 – our ambitious, carefully constructed curriculum which supports progression in learning. Personal development is a component of all subjects within the curriculum as a whole; however, the key subjects which teach personal development discretely and have specific personal development skills and knowledge are: RSE, PSHE, PE, Computing and Science.

Tier 3 – details the whole school strategies that all children access universally

Tier 4 – outlines targeted personal development opportunities which are available at specific times for identified children.

Tier 1: Ethos

Our values of Belonging, Ambition, Resilience and Kindness are at the core of everything we do. They underpin our academic, social and emotional and personal development offer to all our pupils.

Belonging aims:

- To create a welcoming and friendly environment for all pupils, staff and visitors.
- To teach children about the world around them and how they can make positive contributions to what it will look in the future.

Ambition aims:

- To create a stimulating and supportive learning environment in which every child feels secure, significant and worthwhile.
- To teach children the knowledge and skills that they need to succeed in their learning, to prepare them for the next phase of their education

Resilience aims:

- To develop in the children positive attitudes towards learning, aiming for their personal best in all they undertake.
- To inspire and support children to want to do their best, learn from their mistakes and feel proud of their achievements.

Kindness aims:

- To support children to understand the impact of their actions and develop respect for the needs, opinions, feelings and property of others.
- To promote valuing the contribution of others, being considerate people and making the right choices for the right reasons.

RE **SMSC** Science Adaptive Teaching Ready for next phase Through our RE curriculum we We strive to prepare our pupils for Our underpinning values ensure Through our science curriculum As across the whole of our explain the value and purpose of the next phase at every level. children will access, acquire, curriculum, we have a "scaffold children: RE to ensure all children access. attempt and apply substantive up" approach to ensure all pupils both academically and socially develop a strong sense of acquire, attempt and apply (factual) and disciplinary (skillregardless of need cam access and emotionally. belonging with a good substantive (factual) and learning. This is no different to based) knowledge whilst building We have designed our curriculum understanding of the wider disciplinary (skill-based) knowledge on their scientific vocabulary. carefully to ensure it builds any aspect of personal world. whilst building on their vocabulary, They will develop scientific development taught through the experiences, knowledge, be inspired to raise their concepts and vocabulary following the Rotherham agreed knowledge and conceptual curriculum. ambition. syllabus. Children will discover, understanding through the Teachers deploy additional sequentially, tracking how grow resilience as nvestigate and understand religions specific disciplines of biology, teaching in one phase is built adults, use pre-teaching and determined and independent and world views. They will face chemistry and physics. They will retrieval practice, visual ipon in the next. This is the same individuals. for personal development. challenging questions about beliefs develop skills in different types of resources, video clips, peer show kindness, respect and Children are introduced to communities and human life. Our scientific enquiries that help them support, targeted questioning and tolerance. pupils will learn to explain and to ask and answer scientific over-learning opportunities to concepts in F2 such as express views, thoughts and ideas questions about the world around democracy through class voting ensure all pupils can develop This is fostered through all that we with respect and tolerance. They them. They will also learn about personally. Formative and respect and tolerance do: through our curriculum design through understanding the world; but also though assemblies, visits will develop an open-minded scientists (both historic and assessment strategies are used attitude, asking questions about the current), different science-focused to ensure that gaps are identified these are then built upon in KS1. pupil led bodies such as 'why' of religion by gathering careers and will be equipped with and addressed. As children are prepared for KS2, playground leaders, school evidence, personal thought time the scientific knowledge required Pupil context and experiences are their exposure to such concepts council and eco-warriors, and considering and explaining to understand the uses and taken into account and the becomes more complex as they Children's University, pupil led different views within discussion. implications of science, today and curriculum is adapted for link these ideas through the assemblies and our reading curriculum, make links and apply Learning will be presented as a for the future. individuals, cohorts, groups and curriculum choices (Reading for creative, thought provoking Children learn about scientists at a whole school level where them to their own lives. This Pleasure materials, recommended response which shows from a range of backgrounds and required to respond to a rising continues to develop through KS2 reads, core texts and whole class understanding, imagination and ethnicities. need. until Y6, where pupils leave us reads). with our values embedded in what We make good use of our outdoor curiosity. they do. For those with SEND, we environment and encourage ensure we equip these pupils with children to connect with nature the skills needed to enter the next this term's art project, Picture phase with support. This, is linked to the natural world. We also celebrate Earth Day and have Eco-Warriors. We visit church twice a year, have regular visits from the school vicar and a local church group, Open the Book. This supports children, even if they do not practice a faith to explore their spirituality outside their RE lessons.

Tier 3: Whole School Strategies Extra-curricular activities Inclusion & Celebration of Difference High quality pastoral support Assemblies Pupils have daily check ins using the We have a wide range of clubs on offer Assemblies are 4 times a week and follow We are an inclusive school. Children invest Zones of Regulation – these are twice daily across the year, led by school staff. These the following structure: in our caring ethos and in the majority and followed up by staff. In F2 this is a are open to KS1 and KS2 from the start of model care and consideration for each more simplified version. the year and also to F2 from the Spring Monday - Values assembly led by SLT. other through their words and actions. All term. These run in 5 week blocks and These assemblies focus on the school children are respected, supported and allow all pupils to try new interests and We are currently liaising with My Happy values of Belonging, Ambition, Resilience celebrated equally and our restorative Mind and there will be a "soft launch" in explore skills. Clubs vary but include: art, and Kindness as well as the key British practice, use of Zones of Regulation, check April 2024 to include the introduction of choir, recorders, nature, scouting skills, Values. We link these to world events. ins and responsive support are accessible Happy Breathing as a whole school sewing, rounders, gymnastics, exciting religious celebrations, events in schools to all, regardless of need. writing, cooking, languages and Lego. strategy, staff training and introduction to and arising needs in school, all the time We strive to consider all factors and as well children and families. This will the be Once a year we have a Messy Church club bringing them back to the values that as being experienced at supporting those launched with pupil journals in September (also known as Wonder Club), as led by underpin all we do and the values that with a variety of SEND needs, have also 2024. our local church members. underpin society and what these look like recently been awarded our Prem Our Sports Coach runs 2 sporting clubs for our children. These are planned We are committed to restorative practice at every half term in addition to the above. Awareness and Asthma Aware awards. strategically to ensure the intentional our school and our behaviour policy is built Our clubs are very well attended and As well as the consideration we give to SMSC and British Values teaching for our upon the value of mutual respect, usually full (and often over-subscribed) children. inclusion in all our assemblies (see left) we SEND and PP pupils attend our clubs well relationships and reflection. These also celebrate National Awareness Weeks principles form part of our pastoral support. and we ensure they are accessible to all, Tuesday – 'What's In the News?' led by (e.g. Autism, Cerebral Palsy, Visual ensuring everyone is given clear including through funding as part of our teachers Impairment); in these very special boundaries within a framework of respectful PPG strategy. Each week, we hold an assembly which assemblies pupils deliver to the rest of the relationships and trust. We teach children focuses on a recent event in the news, school about their disabilities, raising All children attending our clubs are eligible to make good choices in their behaviours sharing world events, politics, current awareness of the differences and the and engagement with each other to for Children's University codes, which they affairs, local issues, entertainment and impact this has on their lives. Once recent can use to log their engagement with prepare them to be responsible and caring sports. These are delivered in a child citizens as they grow, rather than because extra-curricular activities. These credits are appropriate way and accessible to KS1 and example of this was a pupil led assembly on what it is like living with Cerebral Palsy they are working for a reward - much of then recognised through reward KS2. We also link these to school and We also encourage pupils to deliver our reinforcement is intrinsic rather than certificates, with a graduation ceremony in British Values where appropriate. extrinsic. We also teach them regulation the summer for all pupils who have assemblies about the places they have

Wednesday - Inspiration Assemblies led

by SLT and teaching staff

Each staff member chooses an

artist/artistic style, a book/author, a famous experience of meeting paternal family on a

been, what is special about them and

special celebrations. A few examples from

three of our children have been sharing the

achieved 100 or more hours.

strategies from EYFS onwards. In F2, we

teach PSED and, in line with the Early

Learning Goals, track pupil's progress in

their self-regulation, managing of self and relationship building.

We are currently trialling Conflict Resolution strategies to further enhance our restorative practice and aim for wider staff training to take place in Autumn 2024.

We have 2 members of staff who are Psychological First Aiders and a Mental Health lead.

As part of our universal offer, we work with early help, including providing school based early help families. We have a n open door policy and make it clear that we are happy to meet with families to discuss anything that may be impacting on their ives and signpost them to the best sources of support.

We monitor attendance carefully, with great consideration for emotional based school avoidance, pupil well-being and family circumstances - it is these considerations which drive our support for families.

Each year, School Council canvas pupil opinion to make sure our clubs on offer match the interests of our pupils.

Children's University credits are also awarded for pupils who engage with extracurricular activities outside school, such as music lessons, swimming or various sports clubs. We celebrate pupil achievements in these clubs in assembly too.

We very much live by our motto, 'A School at the Heart of Its Community' and pupils are very involved in wider community life. This is includes (but is not exclusive to):

- School's entry of a float to Harthill Carnival each year.
 - Pupil involvement with fundraising: sponsored penalty shoot outs, donations to Rags 2 Riches, donations to raffles, selling raffle tickets, sponsored Santa Dash (more below), bake sales and much more!
- Our School Choir Little Village Voices – performs across the year including in church, at the well-dressing and annually at the
- the year.
- Santa Dash this is an annual event when children walk around Music Assembly the village singing and dancing to Christmas carols and music for the community.
- Macmillan Coffee Morning this UKS2 class.
- Village litter picking run by Eco Warriors.
- A strong and celebratory online presence on social media.
- Attending the annual Children's University award ceremony for those who achieve their Gold.

Some families attend out of school activities which are not currently recognised by CU because of their location - we make sure we celebrate achievements of <u>all</u> after school achievements in classes and in assembly with our half termly Spotlight Assemblies.

person and a musician/musical genre and each week someone delivers and assembly on one of their choices. We aim to deliver inspirational assemblies based on our staff's passions and interests and information linked to current events (i.e. Martin Luther King Day, Science Week, anniversaries and world events). We also consider diversity and deliver art, music, literature and people from a range of countries, cultures, backgrounds, disabilities and orientations.

Friday - Celebration Assembly led by SLT

- In Friday's assemblies we celebrate:
 - Star of the Week
 - Reader of the Week
 - Winner of the Weekly Reading Raffle TTR/Numbots certificates
 - Staff Star of the Week
 - (nominated by pupils)
 - Weekly attendance board

POT/ROT

village hall performance with the Each term we celebrate Pupil and Reader Village Voices community choir. of the Term – these are the pupils who Attendance and contributions to have gone over and above to show our the Village Well-Dressings across values and as enthusiastic and passionate readers.

Twice a year we hold a Musical Celebration where all children learning an instrument in or out of school perform in a is always organised and run by an special assembly, supported by Rotherham Music staff.

Children' University

Each term we hold a Children's University Award Ceremony to celebrate all the children who have achieved a certificate.

Spotlight Assembly

From Summer 1, each half term we will be holding a Spotlight Assembly to celebrate the achievements of those who have had significant achievements in their out of school activities.

trip to Nigeria, talking about what it is like to come from a family who does not speak English as a first language and talking about how their family celebrates Eid. Through the PSHE curriculum children are also taught explicitly about difference in their lessons, and the Jigsaw Curriculum gives them opportunity to learn this in different contexts, to openly discuss what this looks like in their lives and to reflect or this. The Re curriculum also teaches children about different faiths and beliefs. British Values, including those of Mutual Respect and Tolerance of Different Faiths and Beliefs, are explicitly referenced across the curriculum and are discussed regularly in assemblies.

Pupil leadership/responsibility

Opportunity for pupil leadership comes from: School Council

School Council are elected members from each class in KS1 and KS2 who meet half termly with the headteacher to discuss school development. This has recently included:

- Writing and gathering responses for pupil and parent questionnaires (including staying behind at parents evening, attending fundraisers and canvassing on the yard.)
- Spending the playground equipment budget based on pupil voice.
- Making plans to develop certain areas of school such as the library.
 - Delivering assemblies on school rules.
 - Writing posts for the school social media to promote events.

School Council regularly talk to classes about the issues that they feel are affecting them, either based on a direct theme or more generally. School council then share our pupil version of "Your Thoughts, Our Actions" and we

Families are welcomed into school regularly to share learning and pupil experiences. Each term there is one occasion where the whole school community is invited in for open classroom events, parents join us for our Christmas performances, church events and the summer fayre and are also invited to join us on the Village Carnival Float each year. For our open classrooms, parents join us for focused activities such as Christmas Crafternoon, Book + Biscuit and Picture This art workshop.

Families

Each class holds one open classroom session per year, separate to the whole school events, where parents are invited to share and support in pupil learning. Each week we hold an early reading drop in for F2 and Y1 parents to offer advice around reading with their children.

Parents are encouraged to support us and engage with Children's University, logging their children's engagement with out of school activities online.

We have offered a range of workshops to parents including on restorative practice, online bullying and early teaches children new recipes and encourages them to try writing. Our decisions about what to run are led by the responses to parental questionnaires.

Physical health

Pupils access PE twice a week and are taught invasion games, gymnatiscs and dance across the year. Active 15 is in place every day, where children engage in 15 minutes of physical activity every day including mini games, dance and daily mile.

A Sports Coach is in school three afternoons a week to acilitate additional activities at lunch on the ballcourt and to support PE lessons, allowing for lower staff to pupil ratios.

In Y5 all pupils go swimming and we offer at least 2 sports related after school clubs every half term. We have a range of outdoor opportunities to promote physical health including our spacious outdoor environment, large F2 outdoor equipment, Adventure playground equipment, football nets and ball court. Balls, bats, spacehoppers, hula hoops and skipping ropes are also available to use at lunchtimes.

In Dt and PSHE, pupils are taught about healthy eating and a balanced diet, including the cooking of nutritious meals. We also run a cooking club once a year which new meals. This year, as part of our links with Children's University, we also delivered a family based club called

share in assembly how pupil voice has been heard. This Each term, we provide an online questionnaire for parents is also reflected on our school council display.

School council are also responsible for welcoming parents to special events in school and collecting the fire registers every lunchtime and delivering them to the school office.

Playground Leaders

Playground Leaders (Y4-Y6) are selected each half term on a volunteer basis. They choose clubs that they would like to run and organise these once a week, which children have to sign up for. It is their responsibility to run the club and their responsibility to give out the Children's University Codes for attending.

Other children prefer to lead playground games or support on the Adventure playground with younger pupils.

Eco-Warriors

Eco-Warriors (Y3-Y6) volunteer to be on a rota to litter pick and encourage others to treat our school grounds with respect. They check lights are switched off, paper is recycled and that teachers are remembering to switch off computers at night – they even make reminders to go on walls to reinforce this. Eco-Warriors have also led assemblies raising awareness of being Environmentally Friendly, tips to save the planet and promoting special days such as Earth Day.

Gardening Club

Members of Gardening Club are instrumental in the organisation of the annual School Open Garden. They make and grow various things on the run up to sell, ensure the garden is looking beautiful, promote the event and act as tour guides on the day (always giving up their own time on a Saturday).

<u>School Fayre – Enterprise</u>

Each year, every class is given "£10 to Grow". They use their £!0, with support from the adults in their class, to set up a stall, aiming to raise the most money for school. The class with the most profit made wins a prize.

which is written by SLT in conjunction with School Council.

Afterwards, we provide a response in the form of "Your Thoughts, Our Actions" to inform parents of how their responses have influenced school development.

Yes Chef! Parents and their children attending, making nutritious meals, learning how to make the best use of leftovers and about how to eat a balanced diet. In June, we hold Sports Week – this is a full week dedicated to all things sporty, including our Sports Days, links with local sports clubs (eg. Rotherham Titans and Rotherham Millers) and fun inflatables. Throughout the year we also hold sports themed

fundraising events including our annual Santa Dash and a

sponsored Penalty Shoot Out.

Keeping safe

We ensure our pupils feel safe at our school.

Our safeguarding outlines our rigorous procedures around pupil safeguarding; staff are regularly trained and updated inline with school and MAT policies, KCSIE, and Working Together to Safeguard Children. All staff have awareness of our contextual safeguarding concerns and training and briefings regularly focus on these. Our curriculum has also been designed with our contextual safeguarding concerns in mind and these are addressed through PSHE (water safety, road safety, keeping safe when playing out, online safety). We also use additional online materials, worksheets, video clips and lessons to enhance our curriculum, regularly revisit safeguarding issues with pupils and reinforce key messages.

Online safety is a core focus for us and we regularly address this, not only through the Jigsaw and Computing curriculums, but also through focused days/weeks, in line with local and national advice and in response to specific issues arising in school. We promote materials with our families on a regular basis through our newsletters and social media and we work closely with the Anti-Bullying Company in supporting our children to learn about online safety.

Bullying is not tolerated at our school and all staff have been trained in Child on Child Abuse: what to look for and what to do about it.

Tier 4: Targeted Personal Development **EYFS** KS₁ KS2 The EYFS curriculum ensures that pupils are given lots of In addition to the Universal offer, additional support In addition to the Universal offer, additional support opportunity to practice their social skills in the foundation includes: includes: stage, as part of their progress towards being ready for Social Stories **Social Stories** KS1. Through the environment, guided and independent **Emotional literacy intervention** Emotional literacy intervention engagement with others and explicit teaching, children Now/Next + Visual timetables Now/Next + Visual timetables develop their regulation, management of self and their Basic 3 point scales 3-5 point scales relationships. Sensory circuits Sensory circuits Where additional support for individuals is required it is Motivational jigsaws Motivational jigsaws done so including: "Working for" boards/focused reward charts "Working for" boards/focused reward charts Small group games led by an adult Wishes and Feelings/3 Houses Wishes and Feelings/3 Houses Social stories (where appropriate) Identity work Identity work Sensory circuits Self esteem work My Hidden Chimp Wishes and Feelings/3 Houses Bespoke intervention and individual plans to Identified safe spaces to support regulation Now/Next + Visual timetables address communication, interaction and/or Bespoke intervention and individual plans to Individual plans to address communication, sensory needs. address communication, interaction and/or interaction and/or sensory needs Identified safe spaces to support regulation sensory needs.

- 1:1 adult support for some or all of the time
- Partial timetable.

- Circle Time/small group work
- Funded access to Breakfast Club and/or after school clubs where required.
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- Targeted support accessing Children's University
- Use of specific technology/software
- 1:1 adult support for some or all of the time
- Partial timetable.

Targeted support for nurturing and developing interests, providing opportunities and developing SMSC

- Targeted discussion/questioning around pupil interests to support building of staff/pupil relationships
- Targeted pupils to lead lunch clubs to help build confidence and share interests with others
- Spotlight Assemblies
- Pupils identified to lead assemblies (sharing about their disability, native country, family celebrations, special events etc).
- Use of PPG to ensure pupils can take part in residentials, after school clubs and breakfast club
- Use of PPG to support access to music lessons
- Targeted support to engage with Children's University workshops, parent support, liaison with out of area or new learning destinations specific to our school.
- Village events: Carnival, well-dressing, local fundraising, making bunting, Flower and Garden Show, Open Garden.
- Y6 residential (with funding support from PPG)
- Y6 Lifewise Centre (learning about safety in the community)
- Individual class/pupil involvement engaging local business in supporting school with donations (we have had Easter eggs, raffle prizes, a Christmas Tree, sports equipment and writing equipment from this)
- Pupil letter to leadership to suggest changes to school policy and to inform school improvement

Working with other professionals

We are constantly developing our targeted offer for pupils and this includes working with other agencies including Aspire, Fusion, EPS, CAMHS, counsellors, SALT, therapists, early help, school nurse and social care.