

THE NATIONAL CURRICULUM

The school covers the three Stages of the National Curriculum:-

Foundation Stage (Reception Year)

Key Stage 1 covers the 5 to 7 year olds (Years R, 1 and 2)

Key Stage 2 covers the 8 to 11 year olds (Years 3, 4, 5 and 6)

Pupils will follow the National Curriculum, which includes the Core Subjects of Literacy, Numeracy, ICT and Science plus the Foundation Subjects of History, Geography, Design Technology, Art, Music and Physical Education. Whilst the teaching of a foreign language does not become a statutory entitlement until 2010, the school offers an introduction to the French language within curriculum time to KS2. An after school French club is also offered to pupils in KS2. Literacy and Numeracy follow the National Frameworks. The programmes of study for each curriculum area are available to view in the school office.

Planning for the curriculum is rigorous and teachers work in teams to produce detailed termly and weekly plans, which show the differentiated activities to be undertaken by the children. Parents may ask the classteacher for a copy of the termly plan in order to more effectively support the work of their child.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Religious Education is a statutory requirement and taught in accordance with the West Sussex Agreed Syllabus. Parents have the right to withdraw their children from assemblies and religious education lessons if they so wish. Supervisory cover will be provided for those pupils withdrawn from these activities.

SEX EDUCATION

The Governing Body approved the introduction of a formal sex education programme, as part of the pupils' ongoing Personal, Social, Health and Citizenship Education (PSHCE). The content and teaching style will be dependent on the maturity and levels of understanding of the children. All such education will always be undertaken within the context of the accepted values of family life, loving relationships and respect for others. Parents may withdraw their child from Sex Education if they so wish but should notify the Headteacher in writing of their intention to do so.



CHILDREN'S PROGRESS

Parents are welcome through the year to arrange an appointment to discuss their child's progress with the classteacher. A mutually convenient time can normally be found at short notice. It is felt that this arrangement enables parent and teacher to spend more time together discussing the individual child.

Open Evenings are held termly for parents who have been unable to see the classteacher. Open Evening appointments are normally short as the teacher may meet with up to thirty parents in one evening.

A written annual report will be sent home in the Summer Term for all pupils. During Year 2 and Year 6 children complete Standard Assessment Tasks (SATs) for National Curriculum Assessment. A report regarding the Standard Assessment Tasks (SATs) will be completed for all Year 2 and 6 pupils. Parents are always welcome to discuss these reports.

