

Our Lady's Catholic Primary School

Science intent, implementation and impact

Intent

At Our Lady's, it is our intention to recognise the importance of science in every aspect of daily life. We give the teaching and learning of science the prominence it requires, following a blocked curriculum. The Scientific area of learning is concerned with increasing pupils' knowledge and understanding of the world they live in, and with developing skills associated with science as their main process of enquiry. It will develop the natural curiosity of the child, encourage respect, wonder, and awe for living organisms and the physical environment while providing opportunities for critical evaluation of evidence collected. At Our Lady's, we intend to build a science curriculum which develops learning and results in the acquisition of Scientific knowledge and build a science curriculum which enables children to become enquiry based learners.

Implementation

- A clear and comprehensive scheme of work in line with the National Curriculum where teaching and learning should show progression across all key stages within the strands of science.
- Children have access to key language and meanings to understand and readily apply to their written, mathematical, and verbal communication of their skills.
- Children will use a range of resources to develop their knowledge and understanding that is integral to their learning and develop their understanding of working scientifically.
- Clear and comprehensive scheme of work in line with the National Curriculum where teaching and learning should plan for practical investigative opportunities within science lessons.
- Children will reflect on previous learning and cross curricular links will be made wherever possible.
- Children will be able to build on prior knowledge and link ideas together, enabling them to question and become enquiry-based learners.
- Attainment will be assessed each half term through related topic assessment tasks.
- Where applicable links to science will be made to develop the children's topical learning.

Impact

- Most children **will** achieve age related expectations in science at the end of their cohort year.
- Children will retain knowledge that is pertinent to science with a real-life context.
- Children will be able to question ideas and reflect on knowledge.
- Children will work collaboratively and practically to investigate and experiment.
- Children will be able to explain the process they have taken and be able to reason scientifically.