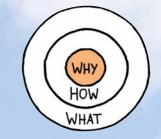
"The Cadoxton Way!" Being Our Authentic Selves! Doing what is right for <u>us!</u> Cadoxton Primary School Ysgol Gynradd Tregatwg Learning and Teaching Policy



"Learning and Growing Together, Being our Best Forever!"

Our mission is to create a safe, nurturing, happy place that promotes health and wellbeing for all. We are committed to building strong, positive relationships with everyone to enable us to learn and thrive together as a community.

We recognise that success looks different for us all and celebrate diversity. We acknowledge our strengths and weaknesses to empower us to grow.

We are ambitious and learning is purposeful, creative and

authentic.

Staff have matched the following articles from the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child to the Curriculum Policy:1,2,3,4,6,12,13,15,23,2 7,28,29,30 and 31

"You only ever truly arrive, when you accept you never will!"

Resilient

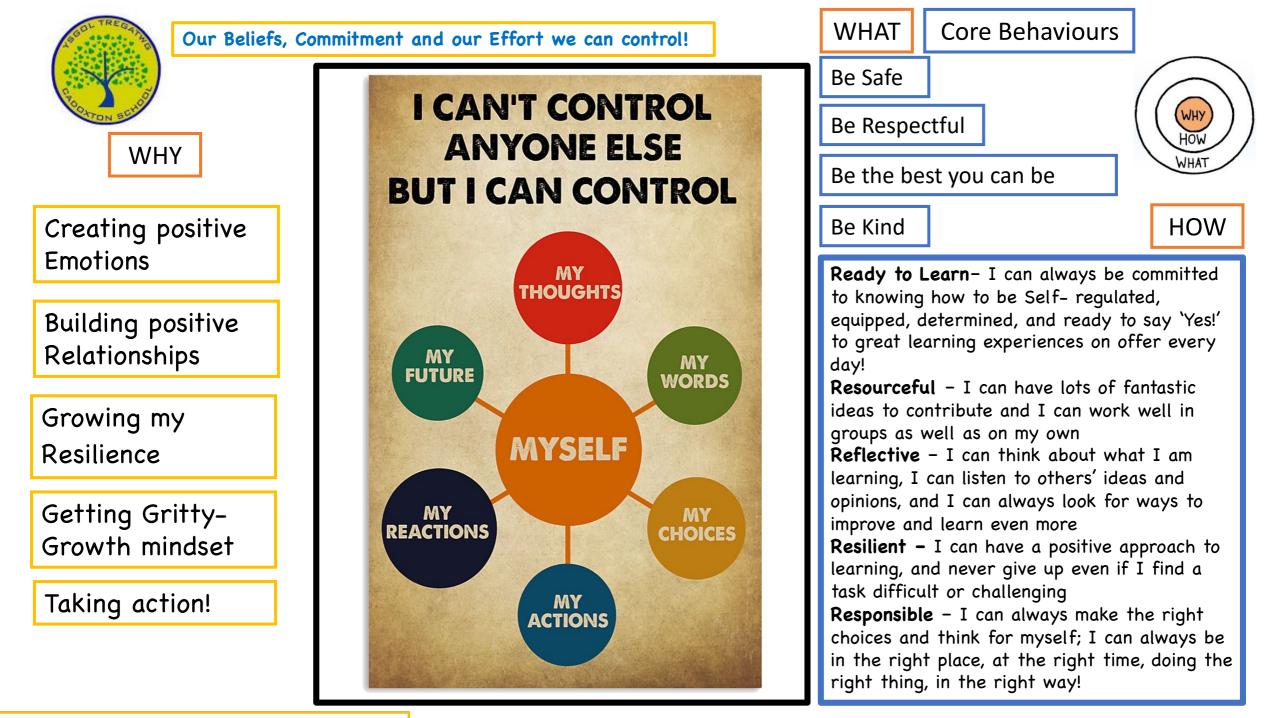
Resourceful

Ready to learn

Reflective



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From learning behaviours to learning habits:

To build powerful learners teachers will need to expose the learning process; to enable children to be aware of their own learning behaviours.

Our learning behaviours have to be taught, practised and developed in order to shift from `can-do' skills to habits in learning.

We teach the 'language of learning' We talk about why, how and what we learn to enable children to know their next steps of progress.

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Ambitious, capable learners		Healthy, confident individuals			Enterprising, creative contributors		Ethic	S
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Our Context:

At Cadxoton Primary School, we are a community who have a shared vision in learning and growing together, being our best forever! We believe that we are all lifelong learners – children and adults alike and this means we are always evolving to develop the skills and needs of the children to become successful learners. We maintain that learning should be a rewarding and enjoyable experience for everyone with wellbeing at the core of all we do! Through our teaching, we equip children with the skills, knowledge and understanding necessary to be able to make informed choices about the important things in their lives and give them the skills they need to achieve success in the future. We are creating a culture that challenges difficult concepts and moral values.

We empower children to have a menu of choice about their own learning pathways and allow them to lead their learning experiences in a purposeful well managed way. Our curriculum's aim is to promote a love of learning through the areas of learning. We believe that change is the most powerful driving force at Cadoxton and that with innovative teaching and learning experiences children can lead happy and rewarding lives whatever their social and economic circumstances.

A central aim of our curriculum is to work in collaboration with families and the local community to provide opportunities for all children to learn and thrive; We are committed to ensuring that all children are given a wide range of the highest quality learning and teaching experiences during their time at Cadoxton Primary School. We offer a curriculum which is broad and balanced, with learning experiences that are authentic and engaging. We have a huge focus on child development and differentiation underpins effective learning in our classrooms to meet children's individual needs and abilities.

Principles:

We strive for consistency across the school and progression steps work collaboratively as teams to achieve a greater understanding of progression. We have an agreed set of pedagogical approaches that underpin all our learning and encourage collaboration and independence. We believe in a personalised approach to learning that facilitates progression, inclusion and high standards together with the development of wider interpersonal life skills. Wellbeing is at the heart of our school and having positive relationships with our children and their families is the key to success. We have the expectations that challenge children to have high personal aspirations for achievement with both social and academic targets. The message that sustained effort is integral to good learning and can lead to a measure of success for every child. Children are rewarded by the effort they make with their learning and by the behaviours they show everyday.

Four Purposes

The four purposes of the curriculum are the shared vision and aspiration for every child and young person in Wales. They guide and direct everything we do at Cadoxton Primary School. In supporting the development of the four purposes, we set high expectations for all – to raise standards, tackle the attainment gap, and ensures our curriculum supports lifelong learning.

The four purposes are at the heart of our new school based curriculum. They are the starting point for all decisions on the content and experiences developed as part of the curriculum to support our children and young people to become:

- Ambitious, capable learners ready to learn throughout their lives
- Enterprising, creative contributors, ready to play a full part in life and work
- Ethical, informed citizens of Wales and the world
- Healthy, confident individuals, ready to lead fulfilling lives as valued members of society.

Our curriculum includes:

- 6 Areas of Learning and Experience from 3 to 16
- 3 Cross curriculum responsibilities: literacy, numeracy and digital competence
- Progression reference points at ages 5, 8, 11, 14 and 16
- Achievement outcomes which describe expected achievements at each progression reference point.

The curriculum is organised into 6 Areas of Learning and Experience:

- Expressive arts
- Health and well-being
- Humanities (including RE which should remain compulsory to age 16)
- Languages, literacy and communication (including Welsh, which should remain compulsory to age 16, and moderr foreign languages)
- Mathematics and numeracy
- Science and technology (including computer science).

The Cross-Curricular skills:

Literacy Numeracy Digital Competence

What is Curriculum?

Building on prior learning Coherence of the curriculum Who are we as Cadoxton PS?

Concept- context is decided on by us and relevant to us.

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Cluster level

What is non-negotiable? Empowering our Community: Active learning: Health and wellbeing: Design curriculum content for mastery (focus, clarity, coherence), and curriculum context for motivation (relevance, engagement, importance).



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Ambitious Capable Learner

- Set themselves high standards and seek and enjoy challenge
- Build up a body of knowledge and have the skills to connect and apply that knowledge in different contexts
- Question and enjoy solving problems
- Communicate effectively in different forms and settings, using both Welsh and English
- Explain the ideas and concepts they are learning about
- Use number effectively in different contexts
- Understand how to interpret data and apply mathematical concepts
- Use digital technologies creatively to communicate, and analyse information
- Undertake research and evaluate critically what they find

Ethical, Informed Citizen

- Find, evaluate and use evidence in forming views
- Engage with contemporary issues based upon their knowledge and values
- Understand and exercise their human and democratic responsibilities and rights
- Understand and consider the impact of their actions when making choices and acting
- Are knowledgeable about their culture, community, society and the world, now and in the past
- Respect the needs and rights of others, as a member of a diverse society
- Show their commitment to the sustainability of the planet





This is me as a person!

Healthy Confident Individual

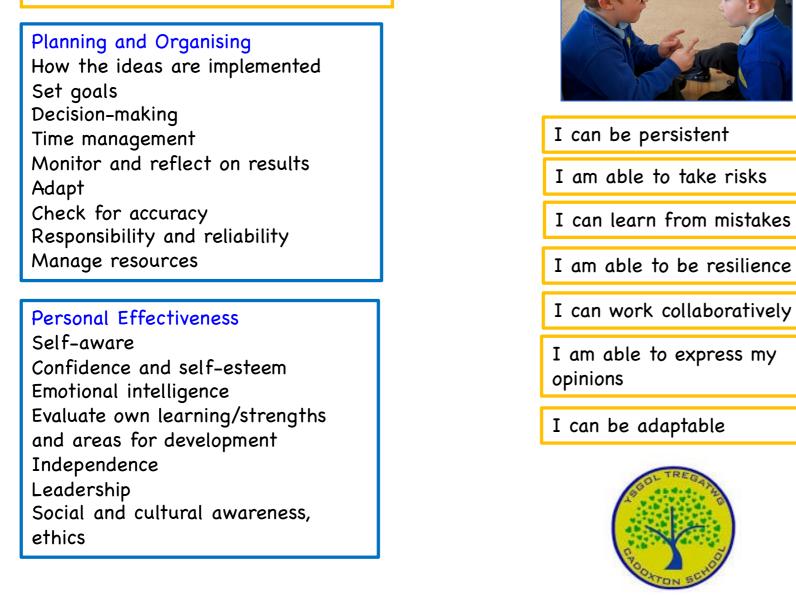
- Have secure values and are establishing their spiritual and ethical beliefs
- Build their mental and emotional well-being by developing confidence, resilience and empathy
- Apply knowledge about the impact of diet and exercise on physical and mental health in their daily lives
- Know how to find the information and support to keep safe and well
- Take part in physical activity
- Take measured decisions about lifestyle and manage risk
- Have the confidence to participate in performance
- Form positive relationships based upon trust and mutual respect
- Face and overcome challenge
- Have the skills and knowledge to manage everyday life as independently as they can

Enterprising, Creative Contributor

- Connect and apply their knowledge and skills to create ideas and products
- Think creatively to reframe and solve problems
- Identify and grasp opportunities
- Take measured risks
- Lead and play different roles in teams effectively and responsibly
- Express ideas and emotions through different media
- Give of their energy and skills so that other people will benefit



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Dependent

This is me as a learner

Critical Thinking and Problem Solving Analyse and understand Ask questions Evaluate information and situations Be objective looking at opposite views (strengths and weaknesses) Question Challenge perceptions Identify potential solutions Justify decisions Identify and develop arguments

Creativity and Innovation

Able to generate ideas Develop curiosity and inquisitiveness Demonstrate courage to explore and develop ideas Ability to turn ideas into action Plan and manage projects Identify opportunities Act upon opportunities and ideas and transform them into value – the value can be financial, cultural or social

interdependent

We use the integral skills to teach how we learn and reflect on what they mean and look like at each progression step.

Independent

Equality and Diversity:

Every effort is made to ensure that learning and teaching provides equal entitlement of the curriculum for all children who attend Cadoxton irrespective of race, religion or belief, gender, age, disability and language. Sensitivity and fairness is emphasised during monitoring and assessment to take into account equality of opportunities. Each child is valued and seen as unique and we strive to meet the needs of all learners and aim allow support them to be the best version of themselves and reach their full potential. The children's wellbeing is always central to everything we do and it is by teaching positive relationships that children then are ready to learn.

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Rights Respecting School:

At Cadoxton we believe all children need to know their rights and know the power of having a voice. We create a safe and inspiring place to learn, where children are respected, their talents are nurtured and they are able to thrive whatever their circumstances or background. Our Rights Respecting Schools Award shows that these values are embedded in daily school life and we give children the best chance to lead happy, healthy lives and to be responsible, active citizens.

Aims:

SUSTAINABLE

- Our school has explicitly adopted a child rights approach based on the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC or CRC) and has embedded it in school policy, practice and culture
- All our Children and adults in our school have a thorough understanding of child rights, and rights-respecting attitudes and language are embedded across the school
- RRSA has had a positive impact on children and young people's learning and wellbeing

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 Children see themselves as rights-respecting global citizens and are advocates for social justice, fairness and children's rights at home and abroad

Impact:

- The rights are a central driving force of our planning; including daily collective worship and year group inquiries.
- Through restorative practices there is a reduction in bullying and discriminatory behaviour among children
- We have a child friendly anti-bullying policy
- Children enjoy and feel safe at school
- Children feel included and valued
- Children's' wellbeing and emotional resilience is improved
- Children's engagement in the school and their own learning is improved
- Children's attainment is improved, and the attainment gap between disadvantaged and non-disadvantaged pupils is narrowed
- Children are more engaged in their local and global communities as 'active citizens'
- Children see themselves as having a choice and a voice

Universal Provision: 'Additional learning provision should be- 'in addition to and different from what is normally made available.'

In line with our ALN policy we aim to identify children with ALN as early as possible and ensure that appropriate provision is made to match their needs. This includes children with learning difficulties and those more able pupils who require additional challenge.

Our school has an ALNCo (Additional Learning Needs Coordinator), who will liaise with class teachers, teaching assistants and outside agencies to ensure suitable provision for identified pupils.

We use this staged approach of the Code of Practice when identifying pupils with Additional Learning Needs:

- School Action
- School Action Plus
- Statement / Funded IDP

Parents will be invited into school when we feel a child should be placed on the Additional Learning Needs register. An educational plan is constructed in consultation with the ALNCo and the class teacher where additional needs are identified.

Differentiation: Our "culture" of differentiation is built on not thinking about it as a unique act but about bringing these elements together, they create an environment and atmosphere of inclusion. Differentiation is by input rather than output.

- Room: The learning space needs to reflect and promote differentiation, allowing space for different ways of learning and recognising the different learning needs of different children.
- Relationships: We all know that relationships are key to successful teaching and these need to underlie differentiation. The adults in the room need to really know their pupils and the different ways of relating to them.
- Resources: The use of appropriate resources is vital.
- Relevance: The curriculum and the resources must be relevant to the individual child
- Response: At the heart of differentiation is the response that the adults in the room make to each child and the responses that they subsequently elicit.
- Recall: This is the key element of effective and differentiated questioning and includes the use of prompts to support children to recall their learning.
- Retention: This refers to how far children are prompted for independence so that they can retain and apply their learning, rather than becoming prompt-dependent.
- Resilience: It is vital that children can learn through making errors and develop the understanding and resilience to accept that we learn from mistakes.
- Robustness: This is linked to the resilience that the pupil is able and willing to demonstrate their efforts regardless, by volunteering answers or engaging during class feedback or discussion.

Interventions:

Many children in our school need support whilst on their learning journey at Cadoxton. Any child identified as not achieving the expected level is identified early and a plan put in place for next steps targets. Sometimes children may need a small group intervention to plug any misconceptions or specific gaps in the children's knowledge, understanding or skills. This happens with a specific aim and is planned by the class teacher to be delivered by an appropriate adult with high quality resources. It is tracked carefully and the impact reviewed after six weeks and then if it is not successful then a new plan is put in place.

This intervention aims at targeting a specific group of learners and their families. We look specifically at closing the gap for these children whatever the gap maybe. It encourages school and home to work together to make a personalised plan for the child's learning and support the child and parent. The aim of the programme is to improve standards and to raise attainment in Literacy and Maths. It is also about changing the parents mind set about school and encouraging future engagement.

Interventions in place:

- Precision Teaching- learning and cognition
- Letters and sounds- preloading and post loading for those in YR-Y3
- Tip to toe- Dislexia
- Motional/ELSA social and emotional support



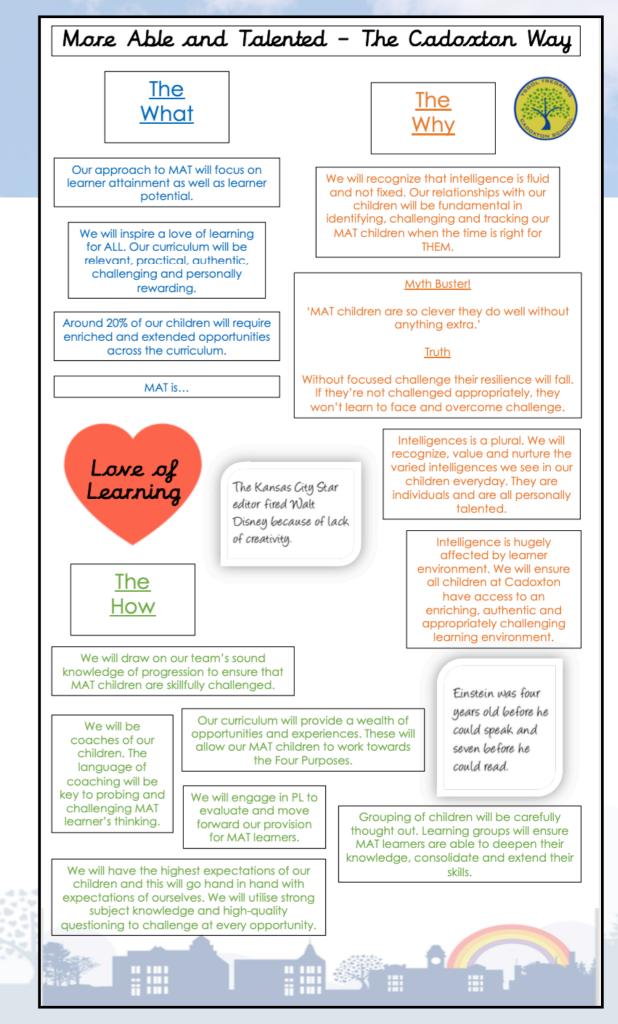
Universal Provision:

Identification of More Able and Talented children forms an essential part in ensuring that the curriculum meets the needs of all children and takes into account special talents outside of school as well as inside. We will recognise that intelligence is fluid and not fixed. Our relationships with our children will be fundamental in identifying, challenging and tracking our MAT children when the time is right for THEM.

Opportunities to be challenged within the context of every lesson or experience often taking on a leadership role.

Enrichment activities are provided to offer broader learning opportunities beyond the normal curriculum and to utilise the skills and expertise of others both within and outside the school community. Some children are offered the opportunity to use their skills off-sight in enhancement trips such as a more able and talented writing workshop on an overnight field trip. Some of our pupils take on leadership roles such as Pupil leadership team and the Tech Masters, learning across the school.

- We aim to:
 - Create a school atmosphere where learning takes place for all
 - Celebrate success in all areas of learning
 - Ensure that we recognise and support the needs of our pupils
 - Enable pupils to develop to their full potential
 - Ensure that we challenge and extend the children through the work that we set
 - Encourage pupils to think and work independently



Inquiry Based Learning- The Cadoxton Way!

Inquiry based learning has three dimensions: Know - factually, Do - skilfully, Understand - conceptually, Be- ethically, critically, creatively. Personal or group inquiry is an opportunity for learners to pursue questions/interests/ passions/ challenges that they determine.

We plan experiences that challenge and that involve real-world problems and mimic the work of professionals; the learning involves the presentation of findings to audiences, sometimes beyond the classroom.

Their learning involves open-ended inquiry, thinking skills and metacognition. Learners work co-operatively to direct their own problem solving and/or learning. Teachers plan their inquiries using the what matters statements as lens into big ideas to explore. They use the cycle below to work through the stages always ending in a demonstration of understanding.

The learning is documented in journals that might look different for every child. We also use seesaw a digital documentation of learning experiences.



Planning and assessing- The Cadoxton way!

Child Development

Our curriculum is built on a 'stage not age' approach and is underpinned by an understanding of the different stages of development that children progress through in their primary journey.

Building Blocks



Communication Friendly Spaces:

We see our learning environment as the third teacher and it is set up to enable learning to be flexible, independent and based on the learning being authentic. Every space has purpose, and we believe that digital learning needs to be accessible all the time and apart of daily life. Time and space is given throughout the year to develop the indoor and outdoor learning environment and adapted to suit the needs of the learners.

Our environment is concerned with children's collaborative endeavours because if activities and experiences promote conversation and are collaborative then children will make more progress because they will learn from each other's language models- not just from the teacher or adult. We therefore have an environment that can be adapted to suit the needs of the learners and can be easily changed or adapted.

Our aim is for the environment to:

- Allow clear and consistent routines
- Provide the space, right amount of light and consider the noise level of the space
- To consider how the use of visual support can enhance learning
- A stimulating environment with no clutter
- Furniture is purposeful and the layout can be flexible and changed
- Breakout spaces for the children to learn independently and workshop spaces to allow learning to be greater in length and depth (Atelier and Cegin)
- Allow children children's interests and lines of enquiry to be followed and allow these to be planned into the learning opportunities and enhancements you provide.
- An environment where a child feels emotionally and physically safe.
- Promotes real life contexts for learning that are meaningful.

Learning through play

Foundation Phase practice places great emphasis on the holistic development of children and the development of skills across the curriculum building on previous learning experiences and knowledge. By providing a broad, rich and exciting curriculum using a variety of approaches, we develop children as individuals, recognising their level their personal motivators and interests. Children of all ages learn through play and this is a crucial time for developing lifelong learning skills by being curious and exploring. They learn how to observe, listen, respond and develop as individuals and learn how to collaborate with one another.

Holistic and meaningful learning in PS1 is built on the following 3 enablers:

- Enabling adults
- Enabling experiences
- Enabling environments

Curriculum design in PS1 uses the following key features of successful pedagogy:

- play and playful learning
- being outdoors
- observation
- authentic and purposeful learning.

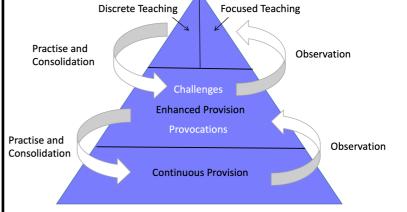
Planning:

Planning for children in PS1 is getting the right balance of the triangle above. But also using the cycle for learning of observing- planningassessing with the learning accessed at any point.

Our children have family group time is discrete learning time and the following are considered:

- Talk for learning
- Story telling
- Songs and rhymes
- Early reading and phonics
- Number
- Welsh

RE



Outdoor learning

Our approach to outdoor learning is for children to experience practical activities and challenges that are with real life things! It is seen as not an extension of the classroom but as a purposeful learning environment that has a different purpose and intention. Opportunities are built into the curriculum for the children to continue their learning beyond the remit of the classroom including fieldwork in the park and Inquiry based learning in the local community. We have close links with our park and local businesses.

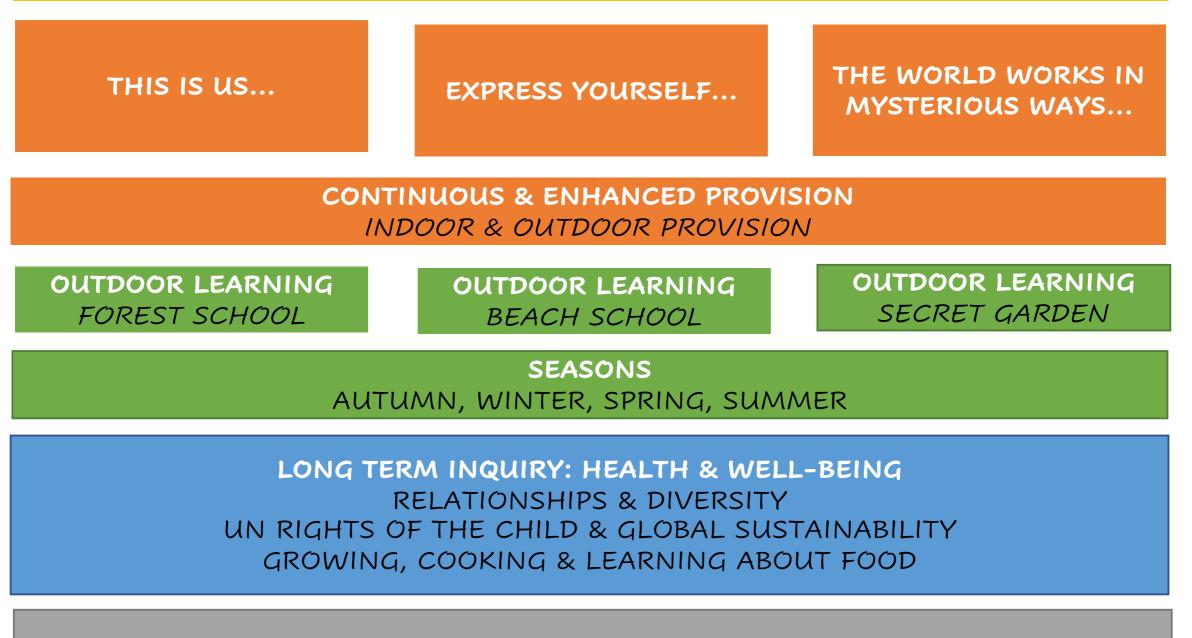
OUTDOOR LEARNING AUTUMN SPRING SUMMER					
YEAR 1	FOREST SCHOOL	BEACH SCHOOL Porthkerry	SECRET GARDEN		
YEAR 2	BEACH SCHOOL Porthkerry	SECRET GARDEN	FOREST SCHOOL		
YEAR 3	SECRET GARDEN	FOREST SCHOOL	BEACH SCHOOL Porthkerry		
YEAR 4	FOREST SCHOOL	BEACH SCHOOL Jackson's Bay & Penarth	SECRET GARDEN		
YEAR 5	BEACH SCHOOL Jackson's Bay & Penarth	SECRET GARDEN	FOREST SCHOOL		
YEAR 6	SECRET GARDEN	FOREST SCHOOL	BEACH SCHOOL Jackson's Bay & Penarth		

*PS1 BEACH SCHOOL = Barry Island

Each PS will experience the forest, beach and secret garden and different times of year.

ANNUAL CYCLE PS1

FESTIVALS & CELEBRATIONS CHRISTMAS, MOTHERS' DAY, FATHERS' DAY, EASTER



FAMILY GROUP TIME

COMMUNICATION, READING/PHONICS, NUMBER, PHYSICAL ACTIVITY, WELSH, RE

ANNUAL CYCLE

SHORT TERM INQUIRY Numeracy	SHORT TERM INQUIRY Literature Study	SHORT TERM INQUIRY Computation
MEDIUM TERM	MEDIUM TERM	MEDIUM TERM
INQUIRY	INQUIRY	INQUIRY
HUMANITIES	EX. ARTS	SCI-TECH
OUTDOOR LEARNING	OUTDOOR LEARNING	OUTDOOR LEARNING
FOREST SCHOOL	BEACH SCHOOL	SECRET GARDEN

INNOVATION/ENTREPRENEURSHIP ONE EVENT PER YEAR

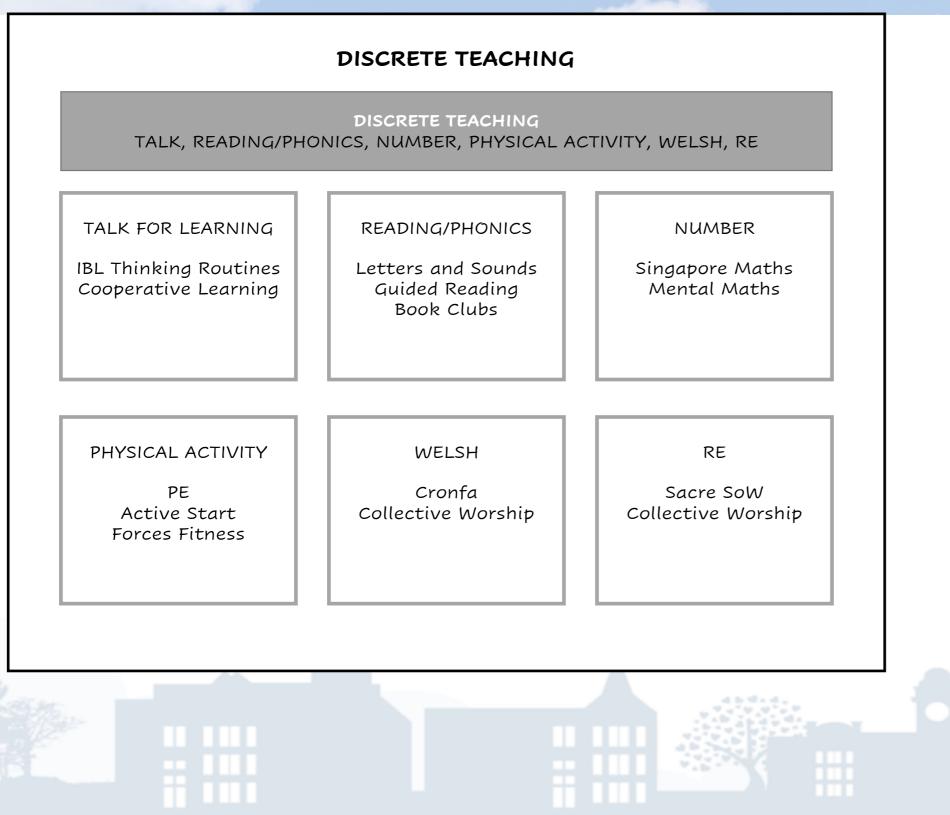
LONG TERM INQUIRY: HEALTH & WELL-BEING RELATIONSHIPS, SEXUALITY EDUCATION, DIVERSITY & MENTAL HEALTH HUMAN RIGHTS & GLOBAL SUSTAINABILITY GROWING, COOKING & LEARNING ABOUT FOOD

DISCRETE TEACHING

COMMUNICATION, READING/PHONICS, NUMBER, PHYSICAL ACTIVITY, WELSH, RE

Discrete Teaching:

In PS2 and PS3 we teach key skills in discrete learning sessions. These vary in length of time off the sessions depending on the age of the children. We have a key rationale for each area to ensure consistency. This includes a rationale behind formative and summation assessment approaches. What we do?, Why we do it? And who is it for ? The children are taught that they need to develop these key skills to enable them to demonstrate their learning through an inquiry approach.



Religion, Values and Ethics:

Religious Education is taught as part of our daily collective workshop. Our approach will be multicultural with a strong emphasis on Christianity. This is planned for in progression steps and conducted through group whole school assemblies, class reflections and a weekly whole school celebration assemblies. Within these learning sessions topical issues and big questions are explored and feedback is collected and shared. We also teach aspect of RE through the Humanities Area of Learning and Experience ensuring that it has relevance and purpose.

Relationships and Sexual Education

Our programme of sex and relationships education is taught with a strong emphasis on relationships and reflects the needs of children as they develop over their progression steps and is based on a stage not age approach. Children in year 5 and 6 have planned and structured puberty talks each term. Parents are notified when this is to take place and may exercise their right to withdraw their child.

- **Relationships and identity**
- Sexual health and wellbeing

Empowerment, safety and respect

Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3
	consider learners' develop	mental appropriateness for learning
in each phase:		
From age 3	From age 7	From age 11

Bilingualism

English is our main language of communication, teaching, learning and assessment at Cadoxton Primary School. However, the school is committed to promoting the aims and aspirations of the Welsh Government in developing Bilingualism. In our school both English and Welsh will be functional languages. We promote oracy, reading and writing in both English and Welsh Second Language in informal and structured situations. Welsh is seen and heard around the school, during school assemblies and concerts, signage and display, lessons and indoor and outdoor activities. We use the Cronfa scheme of work to plan discrete weekly sessions. All classes spend 10 minutes each day – during Cymraeg Cyflym - practising vocabulary appropriate to their age and ability, e.g. greetings, informal conversations, instructions, songs and rhymes, games, etc.

As a school, we therefore aim to:

- Foster positive attitudes in all learners towards bilingualism
- Provide opportunities for all children to hear and use Welsh in all areas of their learning
- Motivate the children to use Welsh naturally, spontaneously and with confidence

Careers and Work Related Experiences:



