



The Ark Federation

The Moorlands Curriculum

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A recent survey has shown that some parents are unsure about the Moorlands curriculum offer. We hope that this short newsletter will help to answer your questions.



WHAT SUBJECTS ARE STUDIED?

We study the whole National Curriculum. This includes 'core' subjects such as English and Maths, and 'foundation' subjects such as art and languages. The children in the Early Years follow a separate curriculum (The Early Years Foundation Stage)

Check out <http://www.moorlands.dneat.org/the-moorlands-curriculum/> for further details.



WHAT TOPICS WILL MY CHILD COVER?

Our school website has a dedicated curriculum section. In here you will find a page for every subject and on these pages are the long term plans. You can browse these at any time to see the range of units that are covered within each year group.

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WHAT SKILLS AND KNOWLEDGE ARE NEEDED?

The website pages for each subject will give you a progression document (in some cases these cover skills and knowledge separately). These handy guides can be used to talk to your children at home about their learning.

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HOW DO I KNOW HOW MY CHILD IS GETTING ON?

Nursery and Reception - Tapestry will keep you up to date with your children's learning. As your children get older they will do more formal learning and the posts will become less frequent.

Key Stage 1 and 2 - Parents have two parents' evenings and a written report at the end of the year. On top of that, remember to check out our Facebook page which has regular posts about in-class activities.

<https://www.facebook.com/Moorlandsprimaryacademy>



ARE THERE ANY PLANS TO IMPROVE THE CURRICULUM FURTHER?

In the past two years, we have rewritten the entire curriculum. However, we continue to make changes all of the time. In September, we will be using a new scheme of work for History, Geography, Art, DT and Computing. The one we have been using since 2022 is great, but things move on and we have found a new company that can provide even more. If you want a sneak peak at what is coming up, search Kapow Primary Curriculum on the internet and take a look. We are very excited.

As you can see, there is lots of information out there about our curriculum. The best place to look for most answers is the school website. We know that the site itself looks a little dated - we are working with our Academy Trust to change this as soon as possible.

One more update:

In September The Ark Federation will have a dedicated Curriculum Lead. Mr Richards will be working across both of our schools to bring the curriculums together and make the most of having two schools. More joint projects, trips and events. We are excited about the potential of this role and look forward to working with Mr Richards in the new school year.