

# Curriculum Statement – Balance

At Ecclesfield Primary school we carefully design, plan and implement a curriculum to provide balance for every pupil:

Here at Ecclesfield Primary school our aim is quite simply to give every single child the opportunity to develop their full potential. We do this by ensuring the children are immersed in an intelligent, nurturing and stimulating environment.

We want our children to become resilient and independent so that they are comfortable with accepting challenges which become progressively more demanding as they move through school. Therefore, we have carefully designed our curriculum to ensure that every child receives an appropriate mix of academic and personal development opportunities which means that in practice our curriculum places equal importance on core and foundation subjects.

At Ecclesfield Primary school we place high priority on ensuring children's physical and mental wellbeing are met. We understand that children will not be successful learners unless they are emotionally secure, therefore we carefully design our curriculum and adopt a flexible approach to timetabling to ensure that we can meet and respond to any issues which may arise. Children's physical and mental wellbeing are as valued and important as academic development.

We carefully monitor children's progress with their personal development and our well planned and thoughtful approach to SMSC helps to ensure that every child is well cared for and supported.

Our balanced approach to the curriculum is not at the expense of high standards in core subject areas. High standards and enabling children to reach national expectations and above is of vital importance if they are to succeed at the next stage of their education and go on to achieve full and happy lives and careers.

Our full and rich curriculum, with its excellent range of experiences, ensures that every pupil at Hope Primary School makes excellent progress both academically and personally. Our unique curriculum ensures that every child is given the opportunity to shine and flourish.