

## Behaviour and Personal Development

We believe that a Senacre Wood learner...

- ✓ Is enthusiastic, enjoys learning and wants to learn.
- ✓ Has the confidence to give something a go.
- ✓ Is curious about the world around them.
- ✓ Has high expectations of themselves.
- ✓ Actively contribute to questioning and asks questions for themselves.
- ✓ Is able to make decisions independently.
- ✓ Thrives within a 'taking risks' culture being provided with opportunities to make choices.
- ✓ Is able to be critical and use this to make decisions.
- ✓ Recognises that making mistakes is part of the learning process.
- ✓ Takes responsibility for their own learning and can talk with clarity about progress made.
- ✓ Is an active learner who learns about topics inside and outside of schools, and shares this with others.
- ✓ Has a range of strategies to overcome barriers to learning.
- ✓ Applies skills and understands the links between learning across subject areas.
- ✓ Uses their books to indicate commitment to learning through pride presentation.
- ✓ Forms positive working relationships with peers and staff.

## Quality of Education: Learning Environment

We believe that an impactful environment is-

- ✓ Used effectively to encourage the development of skills as well as knowledge and understanding
- ✓ Meaningful with relevant interactive working walls which are updated to meet the needs of the learners – referred to by class teachers within teaching
- ✓ Used to model approaches and strategies (i.e. modelling mathematical procedures, the writing process and use of key vocabulary)
- ✓ A celebration of pupils' work
- ✓ Zoned into subject areas to promote independent use of resources
- ✓ One that fosters a love of reading for pleasure
- ✓ Key to creating a learning buzz

## Senacre Wood Primary School

### Learning and Teaching Policy 2019/20

*At Senacre Wood, we deepen learning through first hand, challenging and relevant experiences. Our ambitious, enquiry-focused curriculum promotes our core school values:*

**INDEPENDENCE: We think for ourselves**

**COLLABORATION: We share our ideas and support our peers**

**CURIOSITY: We explore and experiment**

**RESILIENCE: We take risks and persevere**

**REFLECTION: We reflect on our learning**

**INNOVATION: We create and innovate**

***We believe that all pupils deserve the opportunity to acquire and retain key knowledge through learning experiences that lead to consistently high levels of pupil engagement and achievement.***

#### Non-Negotiables in Every Subject

- **Clear pupil speak 'I can' learning objectives with differentiation for all abilities used within the success criteria provided.**
- **Activities planned encourage the development of skills as well as expert knowledge and retained understanding.**
- **Inclusive classrooms for all learners.**
- **Pupils clearly understand what they are learning and how it links to previous knowledge.**
- **Opportunities are given to assess, feedback and move pupils' learning forward throughout a lesson.**
- **A range of questioning techniques used throughout the lesson.**
- **Pupils are involved in accurate self and peer assessment both verbally and in books.**
- **Books indicate progression in learning and pride in work**
- **Opportunities for group, pair and individual work are given.**

## Quality of Education: Teaching

We believe that teachers at Senacre Wood...

- ✓ Plan lessons with a high proportion of independent learning, choice and collaborative activity
- ✓ Challenge and meet the needs of all pupils
- ✓ Inspire and motivate learners
- ✓ Have high expectations of all pupils
- ✓ Tap into what pupils are interested in
- ✓ Model to pupils
- ✓ Use effective questioning to elicit and expand answers
- ✓ Show how to learn from mistakes made
- ✓ Give pupils responsibility for their learning
- ✓ Provide opportunities for pupils to be independent, try new things and take risks in a safe, supportive environment
- ✓ Use data to effectively plan teaching and interventions
- ✓ Provide pupils with time to think new concepts through
- ✓ Be confident to deviate from the plan where appropriate
- ✓ Have expert subject knowledge
- ✓ Strives to close the gap between all pupils and vulnerable groups by employing Wave 1 strategies and focused interventions for targeted support.

## Quality of Education: Feedback

We believe that quality first marking-

- ✓ Provides feedback to the children about their progress and clarifies next steps.
- ✓ Is consistent following the marking policy
- ✓ Uses verbal or written feedback that relates to learning needs, is clear to pupils and engages them to take action
- ✓ Gives time for pupils to reflect and follow up on learning with opportunities to practice application
- ✓ Comments positively on successful, significant learning



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