St Anthony of Padua Curriculum Statement – Early Years Foundation Stage

Growing Together Following Jesus

Curriculum Intent:

At St Anthony of Padua, we believe that children should develop a deep love of life-long learning through the provision of a bespoke, knowledge based curriculum and through consistently high quality teaching. During the Reception year we aim to develop children who are: happy, curious and confident, who actively participate in their learning. They learn to be good communicators who develop positive relationships and respect for others. We aim to develop children who are:

- curious, creative and resilient
- happy and have a positive attitude
- confident learners
- good friends
- accepting and respecting differences
- good communicators
- respect their environment
- develop their own uniqueness

Curriculum Implementation

We provide a safe and stimulating environment where children explore and learn to their full potential. Staff engage and challenge children through skilful questioning, modelling and varied experiences. We champion every child and ensure that they have:

- well planned learning experiences
- celebrate success
- skilful questioning including open ended questions
- giving time and strategies to succeed.
- modelling behaviour
- individualised learning and next steps
- continuous provision- stimulating environment both indoors and outdoors
- differentiation and challenge for all
- exploration

Curriculum Impact

At the end of the Early Years Foundation Stage our children will be independent with a lifelong love of learning, striving to achieve their potential. Our children will:

- make positive contributions within their faith and wider community
- are Key Stage 1 ready
- emotionally ready for the next stage in their learning
- utilise knowledge and skills taught to reach individual potential
- confident communicators
- parents feel confident supporting their children.