



Nailsworth C of E Primary School

Together, inspired by the challenge...

Ambition

We are unashamedly ambitious for our children in all areas of life and throughout their time with us, we encourage them to be ambitious for themselves and one another. We are aware that the education we provide at school is fundamental in ensuring they have not only excellent knowledge, but also the skills to know how to progress. Local Secondary schools have told us that when Nailsworth children come to them in Year 7, they stand out among their peers as they know “how to learn”.

As well as academic knowledge, we are also ambitious for our children in terms of the social and physical opportunities we strive to offer them. We support them to get involved in a multitude of activities within the curriculum and as extracurricular clubs and lessons.

Vocabulary

At Nailsworth C of E Primary School, we ensure that children gain an appreciation of our rich language heritage and varied vocabulary. Current educational research demonstrates that the levels in children’s vocabulary are indicators for future academic success. Within school, we actively broaden the vocabulary of each child, to improve their attainment levels and ensure children leave our school with secure word knowledge and confidence. We do this through promoting and teaching a wide range of vocabulary through identifying and using rich language in discrete and cross curricular lessons. We also use a carefully planned reading book progression to compliment, reinforce and embed this knowledge.

Some of our children start school with a broad vocabulary for their age and which ensures they have a good starting point. These children are further extended and challenged. For those children who start school with a smaller vocabulary bank, we ensure we offer equity of opportunity. By valuing vocabulary and maintaining its prominence in our curriculum all our children leave our school with a wide and rich vocabulary.

Empowerment

As a school we are incredibly fortunate to be based in the Nailsworth countryside, with the exceptional school grounds, that include our own forest school area, sports field and MUGA. Our town itself provides us with opportunities to build two-way links with churches, a library, park areas, historic mill buildings, residential homes and much more. A fundamental part of our curriculum is to give our children the opportunity to develop a sense of citizenship by becoming actively involved in our community as confident agents.

Diversity

We ensure that our curriculum is diverse and goes beyond the children’s everyday experiences locally. We deliberately build in curriculum experiences and knowledge, so that children leave Nailsworth educated about the cultural richness in the world, respectful to all and with an appreciation of diversity in life.