

School Development Plan 2017-18

KEY PRIORITIES

Summary

Vision Statement

'At St Nicholas we nurture everyone *to be the best we can be*, in a caring and inclusive Christian environment.'

UNCRC Article 29: All children have the right to learning that allows you to become the best that you can be.'

Effective Leadership and Management

- Further strengthen our Full Governing Body and accountability amongst all stakeholders.
- Develop our distinctiveness and effectiveness as a church school.
- Develop clear succession planning to secure future stability and sustained improvement across the school.
- Further enhance the children's inside and outside learning environments.

Quality Teaching , Learning and Assessment

- Ensure marking is meaningful, manageable and moves learning on.
- Further develop the teaching of Maths, promoting fluency alongside 'mastery' from EYFS to Year 6 ;
- Embed new Science assessment procedures and monitoring.
- Continue to involve the children in assessing their own and others' learning.

Pupil Outcomes: Achievements and Standards

- Continue to 'narrow the gap' in relation to boys and girls and vulnerable groups.
- Progress is at least good for **ALL** groups, with a particular focus on boys' progress.
- Sustain improvement in Phonics and increase the percentage achieving the standard by the end of Year 2
- To continue to improve outcomes for the more able and those with the potential to exceed expectations in maths, writing and reading.

Behaviour and Safety and Well Being of our Pupils

- To ensure Safeguarding Procedures remain Outstanding
- To further increase the children's responsibility for their own learning and behaviour, by developing our peer mentoring programme.
- To improve whole school attendance, especially of our more vulnerable pupils (whole school target for 2017-18 is **97.1%**)
- Promote the mental and emotional health of our pupils and their families.