

Key drivers for our Curriculum

Our curriculum is planned around a series of themes, which we call our drivers, which maximise cross-curricular links whilst ensuring rigour where there is a clear development in the learning of key skills. As a school we have identified five 'curriculum drivers' that personalise our curriculum. These have been chosen through consultation with staff- identifying the needs and interests of the pupils at Newlands Junior School.

Health & Wellbeing	Environment	Global Community	Creativity	Possibilities
				

Health and Wellbeing

We are passionate about the health and wellbeing of our children. We want our children to lift their eyes from the screen and be excited by the real world. As mindful individuals, we will promote the physical and mental benefits of a healthy lifestyle.

Environment

We believe our children need to know about and understand how the physical world works. We want our children to show they care about its management and sustainability, understanding how actions and decisions impact on the world. We want to provide opportunities for learning within and beyond the classroom.

Global Community

We believe our children need to know about and understand the world that is at and beyond their immediate doorstep. They need opportunities to experience the richness of its diversity.

Creativity

We would like our children to engage and express their ideas in a variety of creative forms. We will give the children opportunities to be imaginative, use experiences and observations to make connections in their learning and appreciate that learning can be accomplished in different forms.

Possibilities

Children cannot aspire to things they have never encountered. We will work to broaden our children's horizons, expanding their knowledge of the world of work by nurturing their interests as well as encouraging fearlessness of what is new or unknown.