

Approach to the Curriculum at Desmond Anderson Primary Academy

Desmond Anderson Primary Academy is a dynamic, happy and welcoming academy at the heart of its local community. Our Root Values are the foundation of all that we do and have been created by the whole Academy community. Our Values are:

- Respect
- Aspiration
- Working Together
- Independence
- Resilience

In our Academy, we strive to provide an attractive environment which stimulates children's curiosity and motivates their learning. We also work hard to create a secure and caring atmosphere in which children are valued and respected. All staff have high expectations and aim to ensure that all children achieve their full potential, whatever their aptitude and ability. We also encourage our children to have open minds, think for themselves and to become independent learners.

At Desmond Anderson we want all pupils including those with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) to succeed, and are committed to providing the best possible environment for each pupil to learn; our Inclusion Leader has day-to-day responsibility for this, providing advice and support for staff whilst working in partnership with parents and carers.

We pride ourselves on having high expectations and on keeping the best interests of our pupils at the centre of all we do. Here at Desmond Anderson we want all children to love coming to school and this means ensuring that we have an engaging and creative approach to the curriculum, alongside staff that care about each and every child. We understand that all children are unique, and the happy atmosphere in our Academy reflects this.

At Desmond Anderson we work closely with parents and carers, as we believe this is the key to creating an academy community where everyone feels a sense of belonging. We know that you are your child's first educator and the expert on your child. We offer opportunities for parents and carers to be involved in their child's learning, for example, through 'daily drop-ins,' coffee mornings, workshops.