



Curiosity Curriculum at SHPS 2022

Welcome Back!

INTRODUCTION



Curiosity Curriculum

Our Curiosity Curriculum encourages the enthusiasm and inquisitiveness of children at Sketchley Hill to explore our world through asking questions.

The Curiosity Curriculum harnesses the contagious enthusiasm of our pupils across a wide range of skills and knowledge through exciting and stimulating themes.

The SHPS Curriculum will build on and improve the enquiry, research and investigative skills of all of the children in their learning.



What do we want from our Curiosity Curriculum?

- Fun and exciting
- Enable children to question themselves and each other
- Independent and confident learners
- Rich experiences
- Developing life skills
- Children to feel inspired, be creative, develop resilience and achieve well
- Parent/carer involvement
- Meets the demands of the National Curriculum



What themes are covered at SHPS?

Curiosity Curriculum Overview 2021-2022			
YEAR GROUP	AUTUMN	SPRING	SUMMER
FOUNDATION STAGE	Do you want to be friends? Who has helped me today?	What's that sound? Who lives in a house like this?	Will you read me a story? What does a T-Rex eat?
YEAR ONE	Would you rather be invisible or fly? What is it like in the world?	What would you do if you were a royal for the day? Why do ducks quack?	What is a memory? Why are flowers bright?
YEAR TWO	Is it waterproof? Can you smell burning?	Who lives in a house like this? How can we look after our planet?	Where does my food come from? Where in the world?
YEAR THREE	What is the Earth made of? How powerful is our planet?	Would you live in the Stone Age? Who invaded Britain?	Is graffiti art or vandalism? Who eats who?
YEAR FOUR	Why did invaders come to Ancient Britain? Why does my bottom burp?	What makes the biggest bang? What did the Egyptians do for us?	What do you see on Route 66? Where are we on the food chain?
YEAR FIVE	What did the Greeks do for us? What are the secrets of the sea?	What's hidden in the Amazon? What's out there?	How do we hear? Why are we the blue planet?
YEAR SIX	<i>What was it like to be a soldier in WW1?</i> <i>Why do living things change over time?</i>	<i>What happens to your body when you exercise?</i> <i>How do electrical circuits work?</i>	<i>What's more important: art and architecture or charity and generosity?</i> Why was it dangerous to be a child in the Victorian era?

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Year FS Autumn Term 1

Do you want to be friends?

This is a settling in project all about creating friendships, being kind and working together as a team.

Anything that you can do to encourage your child's enjoyment of this topic would be very helpful.
e.g. Research, books, visits, discussions

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Year 2 Autumn Term 2

Can you smell burning?

Anything that you can do to encourage your child's enjoyment of this topic would be very helpful.
e.g. Research, books, visits, discussions

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Year 4 Spring Term 1

What makes the biggest bang?

The amazing world of potions and their properties

Anything that you can do to encourage your child's enjoyment of this topic would be very helpful.
e.g. Research, books, visits, discussions

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Year 6 Autumn Term 1

What was it like to be a soldier in the First World War?

The impact of the First World War on Britain

Anything that you can do to encourage your child's enjoyment of this topic would be very helpful.
e.g. Research, books, visits, discussions

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Year 1 Autumn Term 1

Would you rather be invisible or fly?

Exploring how our bodies work.

Anything that you can do to encourage your child's enjoyment of this topic would be very helpful.
e.g. Research, books, visits, discussions

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Year 3 Summer Term 1

Is graffiti art or vandalism?

Art in urban landscapes.

Anything that you can do to encourage your child's enjoyment of this topic would be very helpful.
e.g. Research, books, visits, discussions

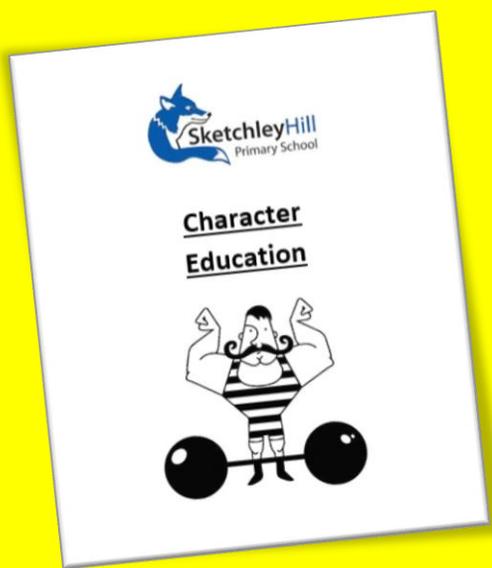
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Year 5 Spring Term 1

What's out there?

Our Solar System

Anything that you can do to encourage your child's enjoyment of this topic would be very helpful.
e.g. Research, books, visits, discussions



Route to Resilience



What is Character Education? It is recognising, understanding and developing the character traits that make us unique and then using these 'character muscles' to allow us to be the best version of ourselves.

Why is it important for my child? There is a growing recognition of the need to equip pupils with a set of personal characteristics that will make them successful in all occupations and go a long way to making them happy and healthy adults.

What will I notice at home? Your child will begin to use character vocabulary at home and you will see the words mentioned more often in the certificates your child receives from school. At the end of the school year, staff will comment on character muscles in the end of year report and your child will get the opportunity to reflect on which ones they feel they have really worked on this year.

The SHPS character muscles vocabulary

Concentration	Making links	Independence
Curiosity	Self-control	Enthusiasm
Creativity	Perseverance	Compassion
Respect	Humility	Teamwork
Inclusiveness	Peace	Resilience
Courage	Optimism	Self-belief
Feeling safe	Pride	Tolerance
Reasoning	Improving	Imitation
Listening	Sharing ideas	Questioning
Problem solving	Empathy	Gratitude
Integrity	Cooperation	Kindness
Friendship	Good humour	Risk-taking
Self-awareness	Feeling secure	Patience
Confidence	Self-esteem	



Successes this year!

The Curiosity Curriculum has again been a success! The children have produced some fantastic work all year and thoroughly enjoyed the themes they have been taught.



STEM WEEK



Y6

FS CASTLE



THEME DAYS

BEAUMANOR



WORLD BOOK DAY

SWIMMING WINNERS!



E-Safety

We continue to take E-Safety seriously at school and support our children in learning how to use the internet and technology safely.



Key Messages

- Ask your children to tell you about the sites they like to visit and what they enjoy doing online.
- Ask them about how they stay safe online. What tips do they have for you, and where did they learn them? What is OK and not OK to share?
- Ask them if they know where to go for help, where to find the safety advice, privacy settings and how to report or block on the services they use.
- Encourage them to help someone! Perhaps they can show you how to do something better online or they might have a friend who would benefit from their help and support.
- Think about how you each use the internet. What more could you do to use the internet together? Are there activities that you could enjoy as a family?

This afternoon.....

- Please go and explore what is happening in your child's classroom. Feel free to see other classes too!
- Get involved in the activities they are doing – there will be lots of practical activities taking place.
- You will see a range of curriculum areas across the school including art, design and technology, writing, drama and science amongst others – these will be linked to themes your child has been learning about this year.
- Have fun!

Creative Curriculum Parent Questionnaire 2018

2. Are you aware of what topics your child is learning each term?
Yes
No

3. What topics have been enjoyable to hear about from your child?

4. What activities have you carried out with your child at home linked to the work they have been learning at school?

5. Do you look at the school website to find out about what your child is learning?
Yes
No

6. Do you look on the school's Twitter page to find out what the children have been learning?
Yes
No

7. Does the school support your child in developing skills across all subject areas of the curriculum?
Yes
No

8. Do you feel school trips and visits are worthwhile school experiences for your child?
Yes
No

9. What other comments would you make about what your child learns at Skelton?

Enjoy the afternoon!

