



Primary Magpie Curriculum Overview



Our curriculum at The Magpie Learning Centre for our Primary students is based around our core aims. During your child's time with us, they will follow a thematic curriculum. They will use skills and knowledge required in their academic lessons, but through activities which are based on national and international events, the local area and areas of pupil interest.

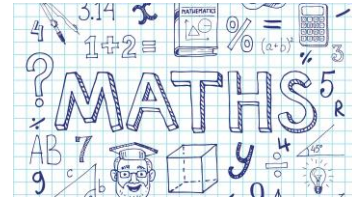
ENGLISH

The development of English-based skills will occur in all lessons here at The Magpie Learning Centre. This could include; designing an advert for a product pupils have cooked, reading a non-fiction text and selecting key information, verbally presenting their work to their classmates, listening to others, reading aloud and writing short stories.

Pupils may also explore poetry linked to major events, for example around Remembrance Day or analyse song lyrics to investigate the writing techniques used.

MATHS

Maths runs through all areas of our Magpie curriculum, offering pupils the chance to develop a multitude of skills. This may include; weighing and measuring accurately, reading scales, collecting, recording and interpreting data, using number skills to solve calculations and developing spatial awareness.



HUMANITIES

Pupils will access a variety of Humanities topics, including finding out about major religious festivals, studying the local area to evaluate facilities and investigating the story behind famous events such as Bonfire Night.

CORE AIMS:

- Social Skills
- Self-control
- Self-awareness
- Self-worth
- Resilience
- Independence
- Ambition

GARDENING AND FOREST SCHOOL

Gardening and Forest School at the Magpie is a unique way of encouraging our pupils to independently explore the natural environment. Pupils will have the opportunity to focus on the Core Aims including solving problems and co-operating with others.



SCIENCE

As one of the core subjects, students who attend the Magpie will have experience of working scientifically through taking part in engaging and practical opportunities.

Our activities are used to teach real and scientific principles through a fun and hands-on way. Pupils will:

- Plan different types of scientific enquiries to answer questions.
- Take measurements using a range of scientific equipment.
- Record data and results using scientific diagrams, labels tables and graphs.
- Use test results to make predictions.
- Present their findings, including conclusions.



PSHE

Students will access both the 'Thrive' and 'Routes to Resilience' programmes. Through games, activities, individual and small group work, young people will be able to identify characteristics which they want to improve and develop strategies to help them cope with difficulties. Pupils will learn about grounding techniques and how to cope with different emotions.

COMPUTING

At the Magpie, computing is embedded throughout all subjects. Pupils will have the opportunity to use search technologies and use simple algorithms.

We believe that online safety is essential in ensuring pupils are safe in the digital world.



ART AND DESIGN

Our art experiences at the Magpie focus on helping to develop self-confidence, self-discipline and resilience. Our art lessons provide children with opportunities to develop their skills using a range of media and materials including drawing, painting and sculpture. Pupils will also take part in a weekly cooking session, linked to national or international events.



P.E.

Physical Education is a great way to improve health, reduce stress and develop concentration. Pupils will take part in a range of key skills including running, jumping, throwing and catching.