
OUR CURRICULUM RATIONALE

CURRICULUM FOR EXCELLENCE

Bringing **learning to life** and **life to learning**.

Curriculum for Excellence is now in place across Scotland for all 3-18 year olds - wherever they learn. It aims to **raise standards**, prepare our children for a future they do not yet know and equip them for jobs of tomorrow in a fast changing world.

Curriculum for Excellence enables professionals to teach subjects creatively in a variety of contexts, to work together across the school and with other schools, to share best practice and explore learning together. "Glow" is Scotland's unique, world leading, online network and supports learners and teachers in engaging with the Curriculum for Excellence.



Our teachers will share information with you and with each other, in order to effectively plan a child's 'learning journey' from 3-18, helping their progression from nursery to P1, primary to secondary and beyond. We aim to ensure any transition is smooth. We will ensure children continue to work at a pace they can cope with and at a level of challenge they can thrive on.

Our Curriculum for Excellence seeks to balance the development of knowledge, understanding and skills. Every child is entitled to a broad and deep general education, whatever their level and ability.

Our Curriculum develops skills for learning, life and work to help young people go on to further study, secure work and navigate life. It brings real life into the classroom and takes learning beyond the classroom making learning relevant and helping young people apply lessons to their life beyond the classroom.

Our Curriculum links knowledge across subject areas, helping children to understand the world and make connections. It develops skills so that children can think for themselves, make sound judgements, challenge, enquire and find solutions.

SUPPORT FOR LEARNING

Individual support for learning is available to help pupils fulfil their potential and make the most of their opportunities whenever that is needed. At Lawfield we strongly emphasise the importance of looking after our children's health and wellbeing, to ensure that the school is a place where children feel safe and secure. Nurturing and supporting our children to feel good about themselves and confident as learners, is a key aim at Lawfield and something which we pride ourselves on being able to do.

Ultimately, our Curriculum aim is to improve our children's life chances, to nurture successful learners, confident individuals, effective contributors and responsible citizens building on Scotland's reputation for great education.

A BALANCED EDUCATION

The curriculum at Lawfield reflects our aims to identify and address individual needs in a 'whole child' context. Lawfield's policies are working interpretations of Scottish Government and Midlothian Council's guidelines for schools.