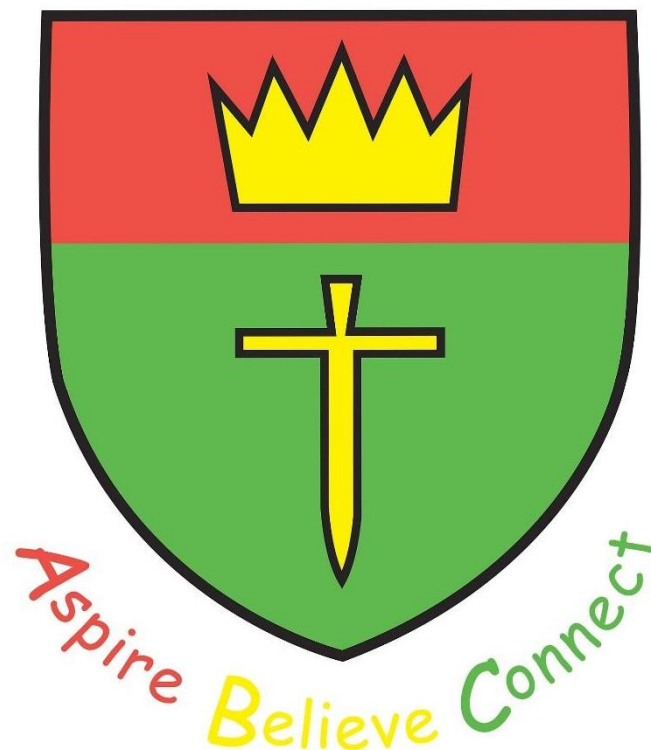


St Oswald's CE VA Primary School



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At St Oswald's our learning and teaching of the curriculum is centred on our ethos and values. We want every child to **aspire** to be the best they can be and through our curriculum we provide children with a range of opportunities and experiences. This is evident through a range of extra-curricular activities and educational visits which enhance children's understanding of the world and make them prepared for the next step in their education and the wider world. In addition to these experiences, children are given aspirational opportunities through visitors, vocational days and workshops. In order for children to develop their **wisdom** we provide opportunities of STEM projects in each year group which enables children to learn through hands on experiences and understand how STEM is so prevalent with regards to the world of work especially locally.

In order for children to **believe** in themselves and develop beliefs about the world around them, all children participate in Miles Away Monday and Faraway Friday days where we jet off to investigate shores near and far. At St Oswald's we plan a range of Curriculum Days throughout the academic year. Children have opportunities to progress their Social Moral Spiritual and Cultural development when exploring the cultural history, religions, beliefs and customs from around the world.

Long term and medium term planning is influenced and adapted through pupil voice. At St Oswald's we have changed planning based upon feedback from both staff and children. This dialogue allows us to **connect** with those around us. At the beginning of each unit, children express their views and initiate their learning. Each unit of work is based upon a big question in which is used to assess children's progress from Cool to Gold with a focus on communication and language and oracy skills.

Our curriculum is designed to be flexible meeting the needs of learners and the community both locally, nationally and internationally based on events and situations which arise. The skills children acquire through our curriculum will ensure they are ready for both the next step in their education journey, faith journey but also equip them with the skills to be prepared for life within modern day Britain and the wider world and ensure that they flourish.