Able Pupils Portfolio

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Able Pupils at West Hove Infants

West Hove Infant School is committed to providing a stimulating and challenging environment for **all** pupils. In order to encourage children to develop their personalities, skills and abilities, both intellectually and socially, we believe that teaching should make learning challenging and enjoyable. As teachers, we are in a unique position in being able to compare individual children with the rest of their age group enabling us to identify Able pupils.

Today's gifted and talented children are tomorrow's inventors, scientific leaders, prima ballerinas and Olympic medallists. Fulfilment of their potential depends on the opportunities they are offered. We acknowledge that Able pupils with marked abilities have particular educational needs which must be met in order for them to maximise their true potential.

















For children to be responsible, active citizens in a diverse and modern Britain

To deliver the highest quality teaching and learning

To celebrate attainment. achievement and diversity

To prepare children for the complexities and challenges of modern life

Aims

To strive for continuous improvement and excellence

To improve life chances by providing opportunities to develop skills for life long learning

To work effectively in partnership with patrents, carers and the wider community

To ensure children are

safe, happy, and achieving their fullest potential

Independence

-being responsible for our own learning -being organised

Honesty -telling the truth

Meeting the needs of a changing community and society

The highest standards of behaviour. social manners and achievement are paramount

Everyone thriving in a secure and safe environment

Vision

Inclusion and provision of all learners with everyone achieving their potential

'Aim high and smile'

Actively seeking improvement and embracing change

Achieving the highest possible outcomes for all children

A motivated and skilful workforce

Curiosity

-lively and enquiry minds

Care

-children and grown ups -our school

Values

Co-operation

- working together -teamwork

Perserverance -keep going, dont give up! -trying our best Respect

-acceptance of others

-apprecation of dfferences and similarities

Curriculum Drivers: S.E.E.D.



Standards



Engagement







Diversity



Enquiry







'Seed for learning'



'Life-long learning'

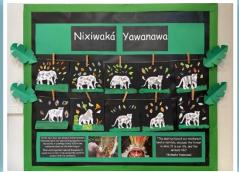




Our Aims:

- To nurture the personal, social and intellectual development of all pupils, ensuring equality of opportunity, enabling each child to reach their potential.
- To provide educational experiences which are challenging, stimulating, worthwhile and enjoyable.
- To identify Able children as early as possible.
- To offer opportunities to develop specific skills and talents so that potential can be turned into performance.















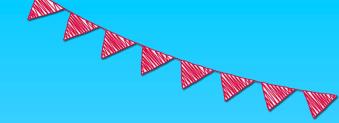












Throughout our school all children learn about the 5 learning powers they can use to be learning heroes! These underpin our behaviour strategies and are the attributes we look for in children to determine if they are Able in certain subjects.

Characteristics of Learning					
Perseverance	?!	Try our best Willing to 'have a go' even when it's tricky Keep going Don't give up			
Independence	***	Responsible for own learning Organised	(Fall		
Imagination		New ideas Trying different ways Being creative			
Co-operation		Working together Team work			
Curiosity	353	Keen to find things out Asks questions and wants to know the answers			

Planning:



When planning, teachers always consider how to build in opportunities to extend and challenge Able (and all!) children. Year groups meet to plan objectives for each lesson, which always include a scuba diver or submarine 'deep dive' challenge.

Worthwhile questions, learning characteristics and opportunities to reflect on and explain answers are incorporated into all; planning and children are constantly encouraged to have a 'Growth Mindset' and to use all of their learning powers to reflect on their learning and pinpoint next steps.

At West Hove Infants, we don't have 'Talk Partners'. Instead, we have 'Challenge Partners'. Children are always encouraged by staff and their peers to explore and explain their answers and the 'language of challenge' is taught and modelled throughout every school day.



	Chatterbox	Assessment, notes and	Starter	Assessment, notes and quotes:	Main teaching (1 and 2)	Assessment, notes and quotes:	Independent/Group	Assessment, notes and
		quotes:		and quotes:	(1 and 2)	and quotes:	Learning:	notes and quotes:
-11	What on Earth has happened at WHI? Who do you think did it and why?		What features can you spot? What makes this writing persuasive?		What is the feature in each sentence?		Have you spatted every feature? Is this sentence a question or exclamation?	
1-21	What makes a simile effective?		Where might we see persuasive language? What is the point of persuasive language?		How could we make this sentence even better? What features are in this sentence?		What greens could we give? What would make this even better next time? Have you used all the features in the feature checklist?	
-83	What is a verb? Why is walk not a powerful verb?		Why do we need a variety of sentences in our writing?		Which Learning Power would be the most important for correcting your own work?		How could we act on the oranges? Are there any other improvements you could make ance you've edited the mistakes?	
7	What have you learned about in literacy this week? What can you do now that you couldn't before?		What is each sentence doing?		How could we improve our work?		Have you used all the features in the feature checklist? What could you add in to the planning?	



















Teaching:



At West Hove Infant School, learning walks, observations and monitoring have a clear focus on extending and challenging Able children. Here are some quotes from recent observations:

quality of children's outcomes was outstanding. Activity stretched the children to use many computational strategies to problem solve. The quality of the children's explanations and reasoning was excellent.

Excellent balance of speaking, listening and group independent activity

Quality of high order questioning.

Children's mistakes and misconceptions were used to challenge the children further and consolidate their learning.

Links with all learning powers which children would talk about well. The learning opportunities and sensitive questioning developed these skills further. Lots of opportunities for 'team working' as well as independent learning.

Learning at Greater Depth:

In addition to using the Learning Powers throughout the teaching and learning process, the children are taught to recognise where they can take their learning to a greater depth in order to challenge and extend themselves. These characters are used:



Work, discuss and assess with your Challenge partner.



Answer a question or solve a problem with the Challenge Diver.



Professor Prove It encourages children to explain their answers.



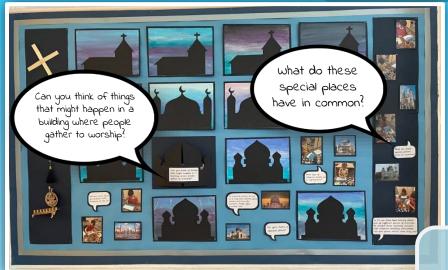
Say if you agree or disagree with Grumpy Frog, and explain why.



Answer a question or solve a deeper challenge with the Deep Challenge Submarine.



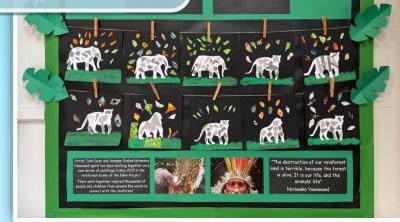
The high quality of displays around our school offer children the chance to think critically and creatively about many different areas of learning.





Open ended questions give able (and all!) children, a chance to reflect and think beyond the obvious. Nixiwa





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Teaching is mainly of a very high quality, which ensures that <u>different learning needs are identified and acted upon</u>. All plans include <u>differentiated activities to support the attainment of various abilities</u>. They also include reference to a wide range of approaches to teaching and ways in which to engage the children.

The staff has created <u>inspiring</u>
<u>environments</u> for the children, which
both celebrate diversity and stimulate
learning. <u>Displays are engaging</u>, vibrant
and extend the children's thinking.

During summer term 2016, our school under went an inspection in the hopes of maintaining our Inclusion Quality Mark.

We passed with flying colours and the inspection team were amazed at how our school caters for all its children and their many different abilities and attributes.

The Ofsted in 2013, graded the school as Outstanding and commented; "The school's ethos celebrates every child as an individual". Evidence from the IQM Assessment supports the fact that this culture is still prevalent.

Inclusive practice is at the heart of the school's principles and "no stone is left unturned", in order that groups and individuals are supported whatever their specific need. Ofsted graded the school as outstanding in 2013, and there is ample evidence from the IQM assessment of excellent and exemplary practice.

Able Pupil Workshops

The school and/or outside education groups often run workshops in different subjects for children identified as Able pupils.



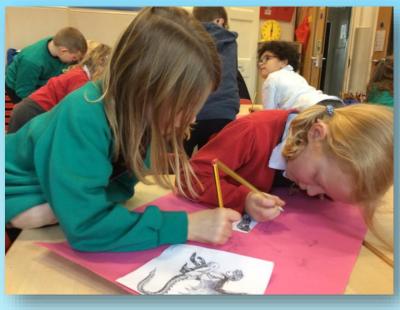
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Keen writers and Able pupils in Year 2 had the opportunity to take part in a collaborative writing workshop with children from another local school.



In Spring term Year 2 teachers run writing workshops for Able pupils across the year group.





Able Pupil Workshops



We have many visitors to school, often for a whole year group. We know that these provide brilliant opportunities for all children, but they also serve to engage our Able pupils in their special subject and continue to spark their interest.







Our budding artists, singers, dancers and actors are given lots of opportunity to shine and advance their talents through a range of yearly events.







Show time at Let's Dance for Year Two children!



The annual Brighton Children's Parade is a fantastic opportunity for children to get involved and show off their creative talents.



















Snowdog Project

A Maria Mari

In Summer 2016, Year Two took part in the exciting 'Snow dogs by the Sea' project which is supporting Martlets Hospice. This was a fantastic opportunity to engage and extend Able artists in the year group, as well as connecting with the parents and local community. The children had great fun designing and decorating their snow pup!





Consistency of expectations across both sites: planning, moderation. High quality resources, modelling and displays

Having high expectations of all pupils. Thorough assessments in place and a dynamic approach to interventions to ensure all pupils reach their potential: Pupil progress, achievement team & Spotlight meetings

Teaching children explicitly the importance of having a goal and working hard to achieve it. Target setting, PSHE curriculum and assemblies, Special Mention & Star of the Week

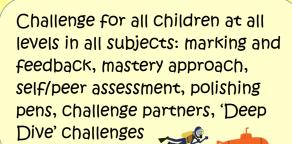
Standards: Achieved by...



Developing a positive attitude to the process of learning:
Learning
Characteristics,
Growth Mindset,
Learning Model,
Learning Ladders

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Teaching children about aspirational people: Nelson Mandela, Mary Anning, Neil Armstrong



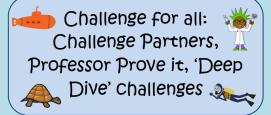




'Stunning Starts', 'Fabulous Finishes'

Local environment: walks, beach visit, Wish park

Visits and Visitors: e.g. Zoolab, Space Dome



Engagement

Theme days: Superhero Day, Art Day, French week

Learning outside. Active Learning. Sports & PE

> 🚜 First hand 🎾 experiences. 🚣 Investigations. Problem Solving. Mastery & Challenge. Cross Curricular links

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Use of 'Learning Model'. Brain breaks. Talk for Writing

Using children's ideas as starting points. Wonderful World of Me. Home Learning Projects

Clubs: Storybones, Lego club, Science, Art & Craft etc!







Creative and Critical thinking: Growth Mindset, Learning Characters

Expressing opinions. Listening to and respecting other's opinions

Investigations &

Problem solving.

Exploring maths

and science

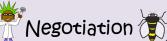
concepts: Lego

club, Science



Team work:

Discussion and



Reasoning and

Reflecting Justifying:

'Professor Prove It'



Questions which promote exploration and discussion of ideas - no right or wrong answers

Enquiry: Developed through:



Challenge Partners



Generating own



questions.

Mastery - Depth of Understanding



Learning through Play:

Active Learning,

Exploring, Innovating,

Creating



Festivals: Eid, Diwali,

Christmas, Chinese



New Year



Respect: Challenging stereotypes,

🚅 Behaviour and Anti-Bullying, 🔭





Children's

Parade, Let's

Dance



Diversity of

language: Sharing

home languages,





Diversity:
Through
Celebration and
awareness of...

British
Values:
preparation
for life in
modern
Britain



A PSHCE curriculum that explores the diversity of gender representation, race, religion and family units in our community

Awareness of

others:



Displays,

Wonderful



World of Me!

Knowledge of other

cultures and

communities both in

school and further

afield: Around the

World, Rainforests,

French Week, people

from different cultures/

countries







Do also have a look at our 'My Little Book of Fun Things to Do'. These have been sent home but are also available on our website: www.westhoveinfants.co.uk



Please
Insert child's
photo
Or
drawing of
themselves
here

Look at the fun things to do in your year group and see how many activities you can tick and date to say you have done!

We hope that you have fun completing you list ©





Year R			Go
Activity		1	Ca
Make mud pies			Ma
Stroke a small animal	-		Da wa
Blow bubbles			Go
Roll down hills	1/4		Lo
Splash in puddles	111		cle
Dance like no one is watching	No.		Co
Make a den	A		Ke
Pick fruit and eat it			soi
Play in the snow	XXX		
Visit a farm			
Plant a bulb and watch it grow	100		
Go on a crunchy leaf walk			
Fly a kite	7		
Post a letter			

Year I		1	
Activity		1	Date
Build a sand castle	1.4		
Make some biscuits & eat whilst warm			
Make a puppet	Q		
Put on a puppet show			
Borrow a book from the library			
Go on a trip to the seaside			
Carve a pumpkin	(1)		
Make a daisy chain	41,50		
Dance like no one is watching	AT WAS		
Go on a winter walk	(hard		
Look up at the stars on a clear night			
Walk barefoot in the sand	1		
Collect shells and pebbles to decorate a plant pot			
Keep a collection of some sort	5		

Year 2					
Activity		~	Date		
Play a musical instrument	À				
Go on a picnic	6				
Plant a seed and eat what grows					
Visit a museum	A De Lot				
See live music	NH				
Perform a dance	AT HOUSE				
Collect snails and race them (put them back once you've finished)	5				
Have a water fight	15-21				
Play in the snow	XXX				
Join an extra-curricular club	ASSASSA				
See a butterfly hatch	6				
Talk to an old person					
Make your own ice lolly and eat it	*				
Take a selfie	R.				

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