

Our Intent

At Phoenix Primary School, we are proud to be a nurturing, inclusive school with a strong family culture at its heart. Every child is known, valued and supported to thrive—academically, socially and emotionally. We believe that children achieve their best when staff, families and the wider community work together as one team. Our curriculum is built upon our four core values—Resilience, Responsibility, Kindness and Ambition—which underpin everything we do. These values shape our curriculum, guide our behaviour, and are reflected in every interaction between staff and pupils. They are just as important to the adults in our community as they are to our children.

Our Vision

Our curriculum ensures that every child at Phoenix develops the knowledge, skills and character they need to succeed in school and in life.

It is inclusive, ambitious and outward-looking, reflecting the rich diversity of our inner-city Liverpool community. We want every pupil to believe in themselves, rise to challenges and embrace learning with curiosity, confidence and joy.

Developing World Changers

We believe our children are never too young to make a difference. Through learning about sustainability, equality, diversity and human rights, pupils develop an understanding of the wider world and their role within it. They become thoughtful, responsible citizens who use their creativity, confidence and compassion to lead change—locally and globally.

Our Aims

Our curriculum is designed to:

- Promote ambition and raise aspirations for all pupils, including those with SEND and those new to English, ensuring equity of access and opportunity.
- Build resilience, encouraging children to persevere, think critically and learn from mistakes.
- Foster responsibility, enabling pupils to take ownership of their learning, behaviour and choices.
- Embed kindness and respect as central values, celebrating diversity and nurturing empathy and compassion.
- Provide progressive, well-sequenced knowledge and skills across all subjects, so that learning is coherent, cumulative and meaningful.
- Develop strong foundations in reading, writing and mathematics to ensure all pupils can access the wider curriculum with confidence.
- Promote creativity, curiosity and problem-solving, helping children to apply learning in real-life contexts.
- Equip pupils with the cultural capital and life skills they need to thrive in modern Britain and contribute positively to society.

Our Community and Culture

We are proud of the strong partnerships we build with families and the wider community. Whether through volunteering, school events or fundraising for good causes, our pupils learn that small actions can have a big impact.

Our curriculum is a living reflection of our community—celebrating who our children are, where they come from and who they can become.

Our Approach

- The curriculum is broad, balanced and well-sequenced, following the National Curriculum while being carefully adapted to meet the needs of our diverse learners, including those in our SEND Unit.
- We use research-informed practice and consistent pedagogical approaches to ensure high-quality teaching and learning across all subjects.
- Reading sits at the heart of our curriculum, opening doors to knowledge, imagination and opportunity.
- Learning is contextualised and relevant, making use of our local environment, community links and real-world experiences.
- Assessment is purposeful and responsive, supporting teachers to identify needs quickly and ensure that every pupil makes strong progress from their starting point.
- We place a strong emphasis on personal development and wellbeing, delivered through our Jigsaw PSHE curriculum and a whole-school ethos rooted in kindness, respect and teamwork.

In Summary

At Phoenix Primary School, we ensure that:

- Every child achieves, belongs and shines.
- Every subject contributes to building knowledge, character and aspiration.
- Every learner leaves us ready to rise to the challenge—today, tomorrow and in the future.

