



## **CURRICULUM AND TEACHING POLICY FOR KIMICHI SCHOOL.**

Kimichi aims to provide a broad and balanced curriculum for all pupils. All children are prepared for the GCSE exams using the Edexcel iGCSE and GCSE syllabi. The syllabus is largely based on the National Curriculum, but goes beyond it in a number of areas including music, LIFE (PSHE) and science. The academic side of Kimichi life is balanced by a full programme of sporting, artistic and cultural activities, which are woven into the school week. In this way the curriculum helps children to become well-rounded individuals.

### **The curriculum at Kimichi provides for:**

- full-time supervised education for pupils of compulsory school age, which gives pupils experience in linguistic, mathematical, scientific, technological, human and social, physical and aesthetic and creative education;
- subject matter appropriate for the ages and aptitudes of pupils, including those with learning difficulties;
- pupils to acquire skills in speaking and listening, literacy and numeracy;
- personal, social and health education that reflects the school's aims and ethos;
- all pupils to have the opportunity to learn and make progress;
- adequate preparation of pupils for the opportunities, responsibilities and experiences of later life;

- pupils who have specific learning difficulties to have education that fulfils their requirements.

### **The teaching at the school shall:**

- enable pupils to acquire new knowledge and make progress according to their ability so that they increase their understanding and develop their skills in the subject taught;
- foster in pupils the application of intellectual, physical or creative effort, interest in their work, and the ability to think and learn for themselves; we actively encourage not only peer assessment but peer learning as well. Some pupils thrive on being given responsibilities such as assisting a less able member of the class.
- involve effective teaching methods, suitable activities and wise management of class time; staff often assist or observe other staff member's classes.
- show a good understanding of the aptitudes, needs and prior attainments of the pupils; the database will be kept up to date with half termly informal and formal test results for each subject.
  - demonstrate appropriate knowledge and understanding of the subject matter being taught;
  - will ensure that policies and resources do not promote partisan political views in the teaching of any subject
  - will ensure that where political issues are brought to the attention of pupils, policies, resources, activities, promotional material and teaching will offer a balanced presentation of opposing views at all times.
  - utilise effectively classroom resources of an adequate quality, quantity and range; we encourage the use of the internet in all subjects, and

each pupil will have access to exercise books for each subject which they shall be responsible for. These books will be regularly checked by staff to ensure that note taking and written work is of a standard to assist each pupil when they have to revise for tests or exams.

- demonstrate that the framework is in place to assess pupils' work regularly and thoroughly and use information from that assessment to plan teaching so that pupils can progress; tracking and assessment policy and guidelines in place.
- utilise effective strategies for managing behaviour and encouraging pupils to behave responsibly; Kimichi will utilise the school council as a form of government. Pupils will be given the responsibilities of managing behaviour as well as day to day rules with guidance from staff. The behaviour policy and school council governing document sets out how the school council is to be managed.
- Kimichi fully trusts that its staff have only the best interests of pupils at heart, and we expect that trust to be handed back to teachers. There is a curriculum in place alongside schemes of work. These are not comprehensive. Kimichi expects its teachers to be able to teach the subject matter on the curriculum in a way that best fits their individual classes, and to partake of practical and outside learning as much as possible. In this way schemes of work and lesson plans never become stale. The subject matter must all be taught through the duration of a particular term, but should a member of staff find that it is necessary to spend longer on one particular theme, that should be acceptable. Each child is an individual and learns each subject in an individual way. It is up to our trusted staff to pursue the best way for each child; this is much easier in a class with 10-12 children in it.

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