# **Year 6: The Forge Curriculum Topic Map**

Academic Year 2025-26









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| Science | Unit 6.2: Light Unit 6.  | 2: Electricity  | Unit 6.3: Animals including Inheritance  | <u>Humans</u> <u>Unit 6.4: Evolution and</u>   | Unit 6.5: Living Things and<br>Habitats   | Unit 6.6: Growing Up   |
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|         | <ol> <li>Demonstrate that light travels         <ol> <li>in straight lines</li> <li>Explore how shadows can be changed to raise questions that 2. can be investigated</li> <li>Plan and carry out an investigation based on 3. questions raised</li> <li>Identify light sources, reflected 4. light and the impact of shadows in the context of the phases of the moon 5.</li> <li>Investigate how a prism changes a ray of light 6.</li> <li>Describe how light from the sun enabled astronauts to take the photograph 'Earthrise'</li> </ol> </li> </ol> | Use recognised symbols when representing a simple circuit diagram Explore resistance and raise questions that can be investigated Carry out an investigation into resistance Apply knowledge of circuits to construct a quiz-board using bulbs and buzzers Describe some of the dangers of electricity Be aware of significant developments in the understanding and use of electricity | <ol> <li>Name the composite parts of blood over and describe their function</li> <li>Identify the different parts of the circulatory system and describe the each part (investigation)</li> <li>Describe the structure and function the heart within the circulatory environments</li> <li>Describe the structure and function have of the respiratory system</li> <li>Investigate the effects of different exercise on heart rate 5.</li> <li>Describe how the respiratory and circulatory systems work together to keep us alive (cardio-vascular 6. system) things can produce</li> <li>Describe the different elements of a heart healthy lifestyle evident</li> <li>Explore how humans are</li> </ol> | <ol> <li>Know that small adaptations time lead to evolution</li> <li>Explore the differences between plants of the same species function of</li> <li>Recognise how living things change of over time in response to their system</li> <li>Describe the adaptations that enabled birds to survive when other dinosaurs became extinct types of Recognise that fossils provide information about living things that lived millions of years ago         <ul> <li>Recognise that although living offspring of the same kind, small differences will be</li> <li>continuing to adapt and evolve</li> </ul> </li> </ol> | <ol> <li>Classify animals into broad groups         <ol> <li>(reptile, amphibian, bird, mammal, fish) 2.</li> </ol> </li> <li>Research different families of mammals 3.</li> <li>Define different groups of invertebrates: arthropods (insects, 4. crustacea, arachnids, millipedes)</li> <li>and annelids (worms and 5. segmented creatures) and molluscs (slugs and snails)</li> <li>Sort invertebrates in the local 6. environment into broad groups: arthropods (insects, crustacean, arachnids, millipedes) and annelids (worms and segmented creatures) and molluscs (slugs and snails)</li> <li>Name different types of microorganism and describe some of the impacts they can have (bacteria and viruses as types of germs that can help and hurt us)</li> </ol> | Describe changes to the body that occur during puberty Describe the development of a baby from conception to birth Learn about the ways in which puberty can affect us emotionally Understand the influences around us that affect body image Describe different ways of maintaining good health and hygiene. Know the facts about legal and illegal harmful substances and associated risks including smoking, alcohol use and drug taking. |



| History   | Unit 6.1: Wo  | orld War One  | Unit 6.2: W  | orld War Two   | Unit 6.3: The Changing Role of the Monarchy   |  |  |  |
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| •         | <ol> <li>Explain some of the causes of Word</li> <li>Describe different responses to the</li> <li>Explain why many people rushed to</li> <li>Describe how the experience of ward</li> </ol> | rld War One<br>e start of the war<br>to volunteer to fight in the war<br>ar changed the way people saw it<br>8 is known as a World War 6. Describe                      | it 3. Explain how propaganda was used in   | describe some of the events that led up to<br>n World War 2 to support the war effort<br>is using sources to explore the different<br>ar   | <ol> <li>Define absolute power in the context of the monarchy</li> <li>Explain how Magna Carta meant the King no longer had absolute power</li> <li>Describe some of the ways the monarch had become less powerful after the coronation of William and Mary</li> <li>Compare different views of Victorian Britain using sources</li> <li>Explain why many people wanted changes to elections in Victorian Britain</li> <li>Explain why a secret ballot was an important step in Victorian Britain becoming a fairer democracy         <ul> <li>Explain the changes to voting that took place in Victorian Britain and beyond</li> </ul> </li> </ol> |  |  |  |
| Geography | Locate countries around the globe     Describe how shopping decisions i     countries and crops involved in Fair-Trade  | in the UK can affect farmers in the Cote D  | Ivoire 3. Identify   | <ol> <li>Identify villages on the East Coast of England at risk from coastal erosion</li> <li>Describe how "spits" of land are formed and the processes that continue to shape them</li> <li>Describe how different features of the cliffs on the Flamborough Coast formed</li> <li>Identify areas of the North Somerset Coast using digital mapping</li> <li>Describe the course of the Severn Bore and explain why it happens</li> </ol> |   |  |  |  |
| Subject   |   |   |  | 6. Investigate a coastal location  |   |  |  |  |
| RE        | • What is the best way for a Muslim to show commitment to God?  | Unit 6.2: Christianity      Do Christmas celebrations and tradition help understand who Jesus was and why he was born?  | Unit 6.3: Christianity  Is anything ever eternal?  | <ul> <li>Unit 6.4: Christianity</li> <li>Is Christianity still a strong religion<br/>2000 years after Jesus was on<br/>Earth?</li> </ul>   | <ul> <li>Unit 6.5: Islam</li> <li>Part 1 – Does belief in Akhirah (life and death) help Muslilms lead good lives?</li> </ul>  | <ul> <li>Unit 6.6: Islam</li> <li>Part 2 – Does belief in Akhirah (life and death) help Muslilms lead good lives?</li> </ul> |  |  |
| PHSE      | Unit 6.1: Me and My Relationships  1. Assertiveness 2. Cooperation 3. Safe/ unsafe touches 4. Positive relationships  | Unit 6.2: Valuing Difference  1. Recognising and celebrating difference 2. Recognising and reflecting on prejudice-based bullying 3. Understanding by stander behaviour | Unit 6.3: Keeping Safe      Understanding emotional needs     Staying safe online     Drugs: norms and risks (including the law) | Unit 6.4: Rights and Respect      Understanding media bias     Caring: communities and the environment     Earning and saving money  | <ol> <li>Unit 6.5: Being my Best</li> <li>Aspirations and goal setting</li> <li>Managing risks</li> <li>Looking after my mental health</li> </ol>   | Unit 6.6: Growing and Changing  1. Coping with changes 2. Keeping safe 3. Body image 4. Sex education 5. Self-esteem         |  |  |

3. Understanding bystander behaviour

4. Gender stereotyping

4. Understanding democracy

5. Self-esteem



| PE        | Real PE: 6.1 Coordina agility  | tion and <u>I</u>                           |   | 2 Dynamic balanne and bunter balance   | Real PE: 6.3 Static ba<br>coordination   |  | Real I  | PE 6.4 Static balance  | Real PE: 6.5 Dynamic b   |  | Real PE: 6.0  | 6 Coordination and agility   |
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|           | Cog Focus: Personal  I can create my own learning plan and revise that plan when necessary. I can accept critical feedback and make changes I see all new challenges as opportunities to learn and develop. I recognise  Cog Focus: Social  I can involve others and motivate those around me to perform bett to learn involve others and motivate those around me to perform bett of the company of the com |   | cus: Social  olve others and motivate bund me to perform better e and receive sensitive to improve myself and can negotiate and | I can review, analyse and evaluate my own and others' strengths and weaknesses and I can read and react to different game situations as they develop     I have a clear idea of how to develop             |  | different situations, adapting and   |   | Cog Focus: Applying Physical  I can effectively transfer skills and movements across a range of activities and greate. I can perform a   |  | I can explain how individuals need different types and levels of fitness to be more effective in their activity/role/event. I can plan and follow my own basic fitness programme     I can self select and perform |   |  |
|           | my strengths and weakn<br>can set myself<br>appropriate targets<br>I cope well and react po<br>things become difficult. I<br>persevere with a task an<br>improve my performance<br>regular practice  | sitively when I can and I can               | I coopera<br>helpful fe<br>roles and  | ate well with others and give<br>edback. I help organise<br>I responsibilities and I can<br>small group through a task   | my own and others' we recognise and suggest play which will increase success and I can deve to outwit opponents  I can understand ways judge performance and specific parts to continupon. I can use my aw space and others to madecisions | patterns of e chances of elop methods  (criteria) to d I can identify ue to work eareness of | tactics s in contra I can lin sequence express tactics, i | g my skills, movements or o they are different from or ast to others k actions and develop ses of movements that my own ideas. I can change rules or tasks to make s more fun or challenging | <ul> <li>I can use combinations confidently in sport spect I can perform a range of fluently and accurately is situations</li> <li>I can perform a variety movements and skills who body tension. I can link together so that they florunning, jumping and the activities</li> </ul> | cific contexts.  f skills n practice  of ith good actions ow in  | <ul><li>appropri<br/>activities<br/>dangers</li><li>I can de<br/>compon-<br/>and how<br/>healthy.</li></ul> | iate warm up and cool down is. I can identify possible when planning an activity escribe the basic fitness ents and explain how often v long I should exercise to be I can record and monitor d I am working   |
| Computing | Design of the second   | 1. Message in 2. Online beha 3. Screen time | a game<br>aviour  | <ol> <li>Exploring probability</li> <li>Creating a computational model</li> <li>Use a spreadsheet to plan pocket money spending</li> <li>Planning school event</li> <li>Planning a school event</li> </ol> | <ol> <li>Unit 6.4: Blogging</li> <li>What is a blog?</li> <li>Planning a blog</li> <li>Writing a blog</li> <li>Sharing posts and commenting</li> </ol>   | 1. What is adventu 2. Plannin adventu 3. Making adventu 4. Introdu                           | ıre<br>g a story  | 1. The world wide web and the internet 2. Our school network and accessing the internet 3. Research  | 2. Using 2Quiz 3. Using 2Quiz 4. Exploring grammar   | Unit Understand  1. What is b 2. Counting 3. Convertin decimal to 4. Game sta  | inary in binary in binary g from binary   | <ol> <li>Unit 6.9: Spreadsheets with Microsoft Excel</li> <li>What is a spreadsheet</li> <li>Basic calculations</li> <li>Modelling</li> <li>Organising data</li> <li>Advanced formulae and big data</li> <li>Charts and graphics</li> <li>Using a spreadsheet to plan a cake sale</li> </ol> |
| Subjects  | 6. Using text based adventures   |   |   |  |  | 5. Coding a m<br>adventur  | •   |  |  |  |   | 8. Using a spreadsheet to solve problems   |



<u>Unit 6.2 : Victorian Silhouettes</u> (Queen Victoria) <u>sketching</u> <u>Unit 6.3: Da Vinci to Lowry</u> (Representing people in

Unit 6.4: The Life of Van Gogh art)

Art

Unit 6.1: Art inspired by wartime poetry (moving from

to using chalks or another media, looking at Wilfred

|       | Owen; blackout poetry; visual art on the trenches)  Aims Aims  Produce creative work, exploring their ideas and recording their experiences; recording their experiences;  Become proficient in drawing, painting, sculpture and rother art, craft and design techniques; other art, craft and revaluate and analyse creative works using the language rof art, craft and design.  Subject content Subject content  To create sketch books to record their observations and use them to review and revisit ideas; use them to review To improve their mastery of art and design techniques, including drawing, painting and sculpture with a range of materials [for example, pencil, charcoal, paint, clay]. Unit 6.1: |   | Produce creative work, exploring their ideas and  Become proficient in drawing, painting, sculpture and design techniques;  Evaluate and analyse creative works using the language  To create sketch books to record their observations and and revisit ideas;  To improve their mastery of art and design techniques, including drawing, painting and sculpture with a range of |   | <ul> <li>Produce creative work, exploring their ideas and work, exploring their ideas and</li> <li>Become proficient in drawing, painting, sculpture design techniques; · Become proficient in</li> <li>Evaluate and analyse creative works using the craft and design. · Evaluate and analyse creative of art, craft and design</li> <li>Subject content · Know about great</li> <li>To create sketch books to record their and observations and use them to review and revisit ideas; Subject content</li> <li>To improve their mastery of art and design · and techniques, including drawing, painting and range of materials [for example, · To improve their pencil, charcoal, paint, clay]. including drawing, materials [for example, pencil, charcoal, paint, clay]</li> </ul> |   | recording their experiences; • Produce creative  recording their experiences and other art, craft and drawing, painting, sculpture and other art, craft and design techniques language of art, works using the language  artists, craft makers and designers, understand the historical and cultural development of their art forms.  To create sketch books to record their observations use them to review and revisit ideas sculpture with a mastery of art and design techniques, painting and sculpture with a range of |   |
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| Music | Unit 6.1: World unite   | <u>Unit 6.2:</u>  | : Journeys Unit 6.3: Growth  |   | <ul> <li>Learn about great artists, architects and designers in history.</li> <li>Unit 6.4: Roots</li> <li>Unit 6.5: Classical designers in history.</li> </ul>  |   |  |   |
|       | Musical focus: Step, dance, performance   |   | s: Song, cycle,<br>mance   | Musical focus: Street dance performance                                 | Musical focus: Mini musical performance  |   | awards, show,<br>mance   | Musical focus: Leavers assembly performance   |
|       | The children learn about beat, syncopation, pitch and harmony, and take a trip around the world and take a trip around the world to celebrate the universal language of music.  | The theme of challen resonates through th with thoughts of char and binds them in an uplifting song cycle p | is section of songs<br>nge and transition,<br>optimistic and   | "The street" is the setting for this unit of<br>buskers and flash mobs. | A complete musical performance about the effects of the slave trade in a West African village.   | An ideal opportunity the children's achievement primary school with a show. | nts at the end of  | 2 songs, one looking back, one looking forward, and a musical device for linking them provide a moving celebration. |
| MFL   | Unit 6.1: Presenting me   | Unit 6.2: Do yo   | ou have a pet?   | Unit 6.3: Clothes   | Unit 6.4: At school  | <u>Unit 6.5: At t</u>   | the weekend  | Unit 6.6: Vikings   |
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| Subjects |  |   |   |   |  |
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| DT       | Unit 6.3: War Time Fruit Cake  Intrition  Understand and apply the principles of a healthy and varied diet; Prepare and cook a variety of predominantly savoury dishes using a range of cooking techniques; Understand seasonality, and know where and how a variety of ingredients are grown, reared, caught and processed. | Design  Use research and develop design criteria to inform the design of innovative, functional, appealing products that are fit for purpose, aimed at particular individuals or groups; Generate, develop, model and communicate their ideas through discussion, annotated sketches, cross-sectional and exploded diagrams, prototypes, pattern pieces and computer-aided design.  Make  Select from and use a wider range of tools and equipment to perform practical tasks [for example, cutting, shaping, joining and finishing], accurately; Select from and use a wider range of materials and components, including construction materials, textiles and ingredients, according to their functional properties and aesthetic qualities.  Evaluate  Investigate and analyse a range of existing products; Evaluate their ideas and products against their own design criteria and consider the views of others to improve their work; Understand how key events and individuals in design and technology have helped shape the world.  Technical knowledge  Understand and use electrical systems in their products [for example, series circuits incorporating switches, bulbs, buzzers and motors]. | Unit 6.1: Fairtrade Products (Suqqested activities: children design, make and evaluate a Fairtrade product including packaging) Design      Use research and develop design criteria to inform the design of innovative, functional, appealing products that are fit for purpose, aimed at particular individuals or groups; Generate, develop, model and communicate their ideas through discussion, annotated sketches, cross-sectional and exploded diagrams, prototypes, pattern pieces and computer-aided design. Make  Select from and use a wider range of tools and equipment to perform practical tasks [for example, cutting, shaping, joining and finishing], accurately;  Select from and use a wider range of materials and components, including construction materials, textiles and ingredients, according to their functional properties and aesthetic qualities. Evaluate  Investigate and analyse a range of existing products;  Evaluate their ideas and products against their own design criteria and consider the views of others to improve their work.  Nutrition  Understand and apply the principles of a healthy and varied diet.  Prepare and cook a variety of predominantly savoury dishes using a range of cooking  techniques;  Understand seasonality, and know where and how a variety of ingredients are grown, reared, caught and processed. | finishing], accurately;  Select from and use a wider range of materials and components, including construction materials, textiles and ingredients, according to their functional properties and aesthetic qualities. Evaluate  Investigate and analyse a range of existing products;  Evaluate their ideas and products against their own design criteria and consider the views of others to improve their work;  Understand how key events and individuals in design and technology have helped shape the world. | Unit 6.5: The Summer Fair (Suggester activities: motors, fairground rides e.g. Ferr wheels)  Design  Use research and develop design criteria inform the design of innovative, function appealing products that are fit for purpo aimed at particular individuals or groups Generate, develop, model and communit their ideas through discussion, annotates sketches, cross-sectional and exploded diagrams, prototypes, pattern pieces and computer-aided design.  Make Select from and use a wider range of too and equipment to perform practical task example, cutting, shaping, joining and finishing], accurately; Select from and use a wider range of materials and components, including construction materials, textiles and ingredients, according to their functional properties and aesthetic qualities.  Evaluate Investigate and analyse a range of existing products; Evaluate their ideas and products agains their own design criteria and consider the views of others to improve their work; Understand how key events and individual in design and technology have helped shaped by the world.  Technical knowledge Apply their understanding of how to strengthen, stiffen and reinforce more complex structures; Understand and use mechanical systems their products [for example, gears, pulle cams, levers and linkages]; Understand and use electrical systems in their products [for example, series circuitincorporating switches, bulbs, buzzers at motors]; Apply their understanding of computing program, monitor and control their producting program. |

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# **Additional Commentary**

#### Vision:

Challenging educational orthodoxies so that every child makes good progress in all subjects; all teachers are committed to personal improvement and fulfil their responsibilities; all children receive an inspiring curriculum; all academies strive to be outstanding.

## A. Curriculum Design

Rigour in planning and delivery, including excellent modelling, demonstrations and clarity is a pre-requisite for implementing curriculum design.

"Teachers teach techniques and a technique becomes a skill when it is applied independently"

Out of the three main designs for curriculum (knowledge, knowledge-engaged and skills-led), all subjects in our curriculum are knowledge-engaged. Knowledge engaged means knowledge is taught with a view to children applying this knowledge through thoughts, physical skills or actions. For example, in writing or problem solving. Reference can be made to Bloom's Taxonomy.

## B. The 'golden threads' in our curriculum are as follows:

1. Standards: pupil achievement in reading, writing, speaking & listening and maths (especially important in white working-class areas for children to go on and achieve); 2.

Aspirations (typically white working class children lack aspiration for many reasons, and can often lack knowledge about 'pathways');

3. Cultural diversity and preparing children for 'Modern Britain'.

INTENT = TRUST LEVEL

IMPLEMENTATION = ACADEMY LEVEL

IMPACT = ACADEMY LEVEL AND TRUST LEVEL



#### The Three 'I's of Curriculum

**INTENT:** The 'top level' view of the curriculum. It is 'what is on offer'.

**Key Question**: Why are children taught what they are in Forge schools?

**Answer**: The Executive Senior Leadership Team of the trust believe strongly that all schools should follow the National Curriculum Framework 2013. Approximately 80% of the content is standardised in every year group, with 20% autonomy for schools to make 'local' decisions fitting the context of the school.

## **Key Question**: Why were the curriculum decisions made?

Answer: Our catchment areas are predominantly White British, many of them serving areas of deprivation and challenge. As a result, we must equip children with the necessary basic skills in Mathematics, English and Science so that they can succeed in life. Being sufficiently skilled in these areas gives children 'currency' to go on and access higher qualifications and courses when they leave primary school. Therefore, **standards** are a golden thread in the curriculum that will give children the necessary cultural capital required. In our context it is imperative that we prepare children for life in modern Britain by making sure they are taught about different cultures and faiths. We aim for our children to be tolerant and understanding of people who appear to be 'different'; consequently **cultural diversity** is also a golden thread. In our schools, the social mobility agenda is very important given the nature of our catchments, therefore **aspiration** is another golden thread thoughout our curriculum. Linked closely to aspiration is our speaking and listening curriculum, that prepares children and builds their public speaking skills through four key areas: speaking skills; listening skills; awareness of audience and non-verbal communication.

## **Key Question:** Who made the curriculum decisions?

**Answer**: The curriculum in place is 'layered', with 7 stages to the planning process at The Forge Trust. Below is a description of each planning stage as well as key personnel who contributed at the various stages:

#### **Stage 1: Curriculum Map**

Curriculum maps are in place for all Year Groups showing National Curriculum references for all subjects as well as coverage (local Curriculum/context 20% and National Curriculum 80% trust standardised). They also highlight our curriculum drivers: standards, cultural diversity and aspiration. The Executive Senior Leadership Team prepared this stage: the CEO, Deputy CEO, Consultant Principal and Principals. A high degree of control and expertise was imperative at this stage to ensure the highest quality and maintain a strategic overview.

**Stage 2: Medium Term Planning Support & Year Group Connections-**This document builds on the content taught in previous years. It includes learning objectives, success criteria and phases of lessons for each topic. It is a working document that is designed for subject leaders and teachers in each school to access so that standards in the subject can be measured and checked. Each topic has an **A4 Learning Journey and Assessment Concept Pyramid.** The CEO, Deputy CEO and Consultant Principal (ESLT) prepared this documentation liaising with the trust's network leaders to finalise the documentation ready for September 2020. This ensured standardisation of approach in each school and ensured assessment is mirrored in each school.

We have Learning Journeys in place and we use Concept Pyramids to assess in science, history, geography and RE. Concept Pyramids include the key concepts and vocabulary covered in a topic and these form the basis for assessment (pre and end tests). Assessment involves children completing pre and end-tests in books, and teachers can then measure progress at the end of the topic. Learning Journeys give an overview of the coverage highlighted in Stage 2 planning (Medium Term Planning Support and Year Group Connections). Teachers refer to these at the beginning of every lesson. A 'reflection box' is a feature of all Learning Journeys where children can reflect on what they have learnt and what they still need help with understanding. Teachers should use this information to aid feedback and next steps.

**Stage 3**: **Short-Term planning** (which includes individual lesson plans). Class teachers are fully responsible for their own planning, even where planning is shared between the teachers in a year group. They should use the medium term planning support to form their lesson plans, and ensure that they differentiate three ways in lessons (LA/MA/HA) so that all children are appropriately challenged.



## IMPLEMENTATION: 'Curriculum is WHAT is taught not HOW' (Ofsted 2018)

**WHAT**: In core subjects, topics are taught in a systematic way to build on previous learning and ensure maximum understanding. Key vocabulary is highlighted and children have opportunities to use and apply their learning in every lesson. In subjects such as Science, RE, History and Geography topics have a concept wall containing key vocabulary linked to the topic. These concept walls form the basis of assessment criteria, but more importantly guide a meaningful learning journey where lessons are sequenced in a progressive way.

Note: subjects below follow the following schemes:

In RE schools follow the Notts Agreed Syllabus for RE In

Music schools use the Music Express scheme

In PSHE schools use a scheme called 'Jigsaw'. This sits alongside RSE (Relationships and Sex Education) and a Drugs and Alcohol scheme of work.

**Process:** 1. Teachers plan coverage of a topic listing key vocabulary and concepts on a wall. 2. The concept wall is used as a basis for pre-testing children to assess their knowledge at the start of a topic. 3. Children fill in their empty pyramid with three levels of words and concepts: level 1-words and concepts they already know; level 2-words and concepts they are familiar with but don't have a deep understanding of; level 3-words and concepts that they have no knowledge about at all. 4. The sequence of lessons on the learning journey (scheme of work) with explicit reference to the learning journey at each stage. 5. Reflections on what children have learnt and what they still find difficult are filled in on learning journeys, and an end-test relating to the concept wall is taken. Learning and progress can be measured against the pre-test.

**HOW:** Individual lessons have learning objectives and success criteria, and the trust's teaching and learning toolkit highlights the areas of the learning cycle that should be evident in a lesson. The toolkit also links to 'pedagogy' that teachers should employ in lessons.

#### **IMPACT**

Outcomes are assessed in reading, writing, maths and SPaG at a minimum of three assessment points per year (termly) so that we can accurately track each child. Where year groups are causing a concern, Principals can opt to assess half-termly. We have an exam based system, in line with the accountability system in place nationally. If children can answer questions that represent the taught curriculum in each year group correctly on an exam paper, then we believe that this proves impact. After all, exams are a part of life and provide children with the currency that children need to be succeed. However, although exam papers are only a 'tool' to measure in core subjects, they are not the only measure. We believe in high quality teacher assessment to back up summative judgements. These are linked to ARE grids (age related expectations) in each year group. High quality, ongoing formative assessment happens daily through marking and feedback. Work scrutiny will also show impact and learning.

#### Ofsted's definition of Curriculum

INTENT: 'A framework for setting out the aims of a programme of education, including the knowledge and understanding to be gained at each stage'.

IMPLEMENTATION: '...for translating that framework over time into a structure and narrative, with an institutional context'.

IMPACT: '...and for evaluating what knowledge and understanding pupils have gained against expectation'