

## Curriculum Intent Statement Outdoor Learning

### Intention

- **Outdoor Learning features a wide range of cross curricular activity to enhance the pupil experience. English is used for reasoning, discussion, planning and reading instructions. Maths is used for planning the area of flower beds and to work out how many seeds and bulbs can fit into a certain bed space. Food technology is a key element, as pupils will be using the produce we make to cook with. PSHE will be used to discuss food programs and the topic of sustainability. Design and Technology will see pupils construct and build the garden raised beds and design a workable area.**
- **The school garden will provide some of the produce to be cooked in the working kitchen and students will see the links and importance of being self-sufficient and having a healthy balanced diet.**
- **The curriculum is designed to create an understanding of the outside world and develop knowledge of how food is essential in the busy lives we all lead.**

### Impact

- **Pupils will follow a curriculum that enhances skills they may not know they have. Pupils will be taught how to use different garden tools safely. Pupils will hopefully in time develop the confidence to manage their school garden independently and suggest which products they would like to grow. They will be encouraged to evaluate whether or not a product was successful.**
- **KS3 pupils will be developing the garden from a blank canvas as the garden has been repositioned within the school grounds.**
- **Pupils will be learning about wildlife and will be encouraged to go on trips to learn more about the topic which they will be studying. We have developed a network within the community to help manage the open spaces and to keep control of gorse which grows in the area. We have also been on school outings to plant trees within the area of the school.**
- **We aim to develop a network with the allotment clubs in the local area to show off our produce.**
- **The pupils will also be following a Gardening ASDAN program which has many elements to gain certificates on their learning journey. This qualification could lead to careers in garden centres, forestry, horticulture, tree surgery, garden landscaping and some animal centres.**