



## St Silas CE Primary School

**A place where each and every child is guided to grow and flourish, ensuring they reach their potential and live life in all its fullness (John 10:10)**

The fundamental meaning of the Greek word for 'disciple' which is used in the Bible is 'a learner'. Discipleship means a lifelong learning process. Jesus himself invites us to join Him in this adventure of learning, and at St Silas CE Primary School, our curriculum is designed to inspire a love of learning, celebrate the unique gifts of every child, and reflect our Christian vision of ensuring **that each and every child should thrive, flourish, and live life in all its fullness (John 10:10)**. Rooted in inclusivity and academic excellence, our curriculum prepares children for their future by fostering curiosity, resilience, and compassion, empowering them to grow into confident individuals equipped for a purposeful life.

Our curriculum provides a broad and balanced education that develops knowledge, skills, and character. It integrates the national curriculum with opportunities for spiritual growth, cultural understanding, and community engagement, ensuring that pupils flourish academically, socially, and morally. Through this, we aim to fulfil our mission to nurture every child to thrive and reach their God-given potential.

By emphasising critical thinking, creativity, and collaboration, we nurture pupils to become confident, responsible citizens who contribute positively to their communities. Our commitment to high expectations, tailored support, and enrichment opportunities reflects our belief that every child has unique, God-given gifts that can flourish when nurtured in a caring and challenging environment. This links to the message of the Parable of the Sower (*Mark 4: 1-20*).

Through a curriculum rooted in our Christian ethos, we aim to equip all learners to *listen, learn, lead, and love* in every aspect of their lives. Inspired by John 10:10, our vision of '*life in all its fullness*' is embedded across all curriculum subjects, ensuring pupils experience a rich, purposeful education. Here are some examples:

- In English, pupils explore themes of compassion, justice, and forgiveness through a diverse range of texts, developing empathy and critical thinking.
- In maths, problem-solving reflects the order and creativity of God's world, fostering perseverance and resilience.
- In history and science, we cultivate a sense of awe and wonder, encouraging pupils to see themselves as stewards of creation and agents of positive change in the world.

This commitment begins in the Early Years, where we lay the foundation for holistic growth. In our nurturing and stimulating environment, children are introduced to Christian values such as kindness, curiosity, and respect. Play-based learning fosters creativity and a love of discovery, while structured activities develop literacy, numeracy, and social interaction. Early opportunities for spiritual reflection and community engagement help children build strong moral and emotional frameworks, setting them on a path toward thriving, flourishing and living life in all its fullness.

Personal development is at the heart of our curriculum, reflecting our commitment to nurturing the whole child. Through worship, reflection, and pastoral care, pupils grow spiritually and emotionally, developing the confidence to embrace challenges. Our PSHCE curriculum emphasises respect, kindness, and community, equipping pupils to build strong relationships and contribute positively to society.

Our Christian vision extends beyond academic success, encouraging children to thrive through enriched learning experiences. Opportunities in sports, the arts, and community service allow children to discover and develop their unique talents. By promoting 'life in all its fullness' (*John 10:10*), we prepare pupils to lead lives of purpose, guided by faith, hope, and love.

At St Silas CE Primary School, we are proud to live out our Christian vision daily, ensuring that each and every child is supported to thrive and flourish as they grow in knowledge, faith, and character.