



Our broad and **balanced** curriculum **inspires curiosity, builds knowledge and develops** the skills children need to thrive.  
**Learning is connected, engaging and designed to spark a lifelong love of discovery.**



### Core Learning

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In English, pupils develop early confidence in reading, writing and communication through daily phonics, stories and discussion.

Children learn to blend sounds accurately, read familiar texts fluently and begin writing simple sentences independently using basic punctuation and common exception words.

Opportunities for speaking and listening help pupils express ideas clearly and participate confidently in classroom conversations.

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Pupils develop fluency with number through counting, number bonds, addition and subtraction.

Practical activities help children explore shape, measure, money and time whilst developing confidence in reasoning and problem solving.

Learning is designed to build secure mathematical foundations through discussion, investigation and hands-on resources.



Science encourages curiosity and exploration as pupils investigate plants, animals, materials and seasonal change. Children develop observation skills through practical activities and begin using simple scientific vocabulary to describe and compare the world around them. Learning is designed to build confidence in questioning, investigating and explaining everyday phenomena.



### Creative & Performing Arts



In Art and Design, pupils explore drawing, painting, sculpture and mixed media whilst developing confidence with colour, pattern, texture and shape. Children study the work of artists and designers and begin expressing their own ideas creatively. Practical projects encourage imagination, independence and pride in producing thoughtful artwork.



Design and Technology encourages pupils to design, make and evaluate purposeful products through practical activities. Children explore simple structures, mechanisms and materials whilst developing cutting, joining and construction skills. Learning promotes creativity, resilience and early problem-solving as pupils begin understanding how design can solve real-world challenges.



Music lessons encourage pupils to sing confidently, explore rhythm and pulse and respond thoughtfully to live and recorded music. Children play tuned and untuned instruments, experiment with combining sounds and begin developing an understanding of pitch, tempo and performance. Learning nurtures creativity, listening skills and musical confidence.



Through Performing Arts and LAMDA activities, pupils develop confidence, communication and self-expression through drama, movement and performance. Children explore storytelling, poetry and character whilst rehearsing and performing collaboratively. Opportunities to speak and perform help pupils develop creativity, resilience and increasingly confident speaking and listening skills.



### Global Understanding



In Geography, pupils begin developing an understanding of the wider world through studying the United Kingdom, seasonal weather and contrasting climates. Children use maps, globes and atlases to locate places and explore geographical features using increasingly confident vocabulary. Practical activities encourage curiosity about both local and global environments.



History lessons help pupils explore changes within living memory alongside significant people, events and achievements from the past. Children learn about explorers, transport and individuals who have shaped national and international life. Learning encourages pupils to compare past and present whilst developing an early understanding of chronology.



Computing introduces pupils to the foundations of programming and digital literacy through practical and engaging activities. Children begin understanding algorithms, create and test simple programs and use logical reasoning to predict outcomes. Online safety is woven throughout learning, helping pupils develop responsible and respectful use of technology.



### Personal Development, Faith & Wellbeing



Through RE, pupils explore important stories, celebrations and beliefs from Christianity and Judaism. Children learn about Creation, Christmas, Easter and the life of Jesus whilst developing an understanding of Jewish traditions and festivals. Lessons encourage reflection, empathy and respect for different faiths and communities.



Physical Education develops coordination, balance, agility and teamwork through a broad range of physical activities. Pupils participate in games, dance and movement tasks designed to build confidence, resilience and enjoyment of sport. Opportunities for swimming and wider participation help promote healthy and active lifestyles.



Pupils are introduced to French through songs, stories, games and practical speaking activities that build confidence and enjoyment in language learning. Lessons develop listening and speaking skills whilst introducing children to simple vocabulary, celebrations and cultural understanding in an engaging and age-appropriate way.



PSHE lessons help pupils develop confidence, positive relationships and emotional wellbeing. Children learn about kindness, respect, healthy choices and managing emotions through discussion and collaborative activities. Learning is closely linked to Priory's core values and encourages pupils to become thoughtful and responsible members of the school community.

