



## Enrichment Curriculum 2023-2024

### **Holiday and 'out of hours' School Clubs:**

We offer a wide range of after school and lunch time clubs. These clubs range from After School Club two evenings a week for pupils who want to play for a couple of extra hours, to a Multi-skills Club for those pupils who want to participate in extra sports activities and learn new skills.

Lunch time clubs are available in 'Signalong', Basketball, New Age Kurling, ICT, Music Club, Choir and Dance.

Holiday Clubs - All pupils are offered a chance to attend 'Saturday Club' once a month. Holiday play schemes are also on offer where pupils participate in organised craft, sporting activities and play.

### **Trips and visits:**

Pupils experience a wide range of Educational Visits. These include trips to the Black Country Museum, the West Midland Safari Park and Cadbury World as well as community engagement activities around the local area. Trips are organised to enhance curriculum opportunities and to put into a real life context the learning the pupils need to develop their life skills. Trips are highly personalised and individual targets are established to maximise the learning from the experience for each pupil.

### **Visitors**

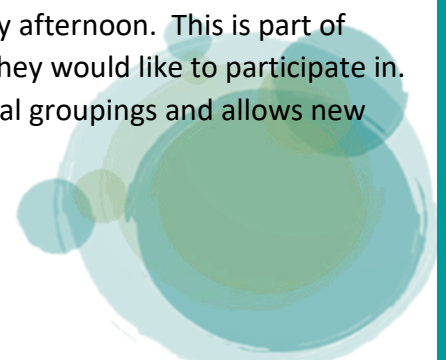
We invite a range of visitors into school to enhance our curriculum by sharing their expertise or allowing pupils to experience other cultures and ways of life. These have included a Buddhist nun, members of an Indian dance group, paramedics and police officers, a History expert and regular assemblies delivered by a pastor from the local Baptist church.

### **Duke of Edinburgh:**

The Duke of Edinburgh Award is extremely successful at Chadsgrove School. 11 pupils have been working on their Award this year; 5 students successfully gained their Bronze Award last year and 5 pupils gained their Silver Award. We are very proud of all our students involved with D of E!

### **'Options' Enrichment Curriculum:**

Pupils in Upper School are offered a choice of curriculum options on a Friday afternoon. This is part of their personalised programme and pupils are able to choose which option they would like to participate in. It is a chance for pupils to work and develop skills with other pupils in vertical groupings and allows new skills to be developed.



### **Sporting competitions:**

The P.E department offer a wide range of competitive opportunities.

These include Table Top Cricket, Boccia and New Age Kurling. We have also recently developed new football opportunities for our pupils to compete against another local special school.

### **Musical Enrichment:**

Pupils are offered a wide range of musical experiences across all age ranges and abilities. Projects include the 'Open Orchestra' whereby pupils can play an electronic instrument (Clarion), a collaboration with City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra musicians working with pupils on the Pre-Formal Pathway, regular visits to watch the CBSO, and frequent performances including participating in 'Young Voices', 'Severn Arts' events and community performances.

### **Art Enrichment:**

Chadsgrove School is an ARTS Mark Gold school which covers the ARTS of Music, Art and Dance.

At Chadsgrove, pupils engage with a vast array of art based activities including drawing, painting, printing, sculpture, model making, textiles and photography. The pupils study a wide variety of famous artists from around the world, including Frida Kahlo, Vincent Van Gogh and Picasso. We have regular visits and workshops from local artists. We also organise visits to The Barber Institute, The Birmingham Art Gallery and other local galleries. Pupils' art work is displayed around school and even exhibited at Worcester Cathedral as part of the annual 'Voices and Visions' event.

### **Residential Experiences:**

Certain pupils participate in a Duke of Edinburgh residential camp and develop new and exciting camping skills. The pupils independently learn how to put tents up, develop outside cooking skills and learn how a camp can be set up. The pupils have to show complete resilience when participating in the expedition.

A group of pupils also visit the Isle of Man for a residential visit and experience various activities whilst on the island.

### **Work Experience and work place encounters:**

Some pupils are offered work place encounters. The programme is designed to ensure that pupils of all abilities have relevant experiences. The Gatsby Benchmarks will be delivered to as many pupils as possible, as and when relevant to their learning.

### **Curriculum Enrichment Days**

Each academic year we organise several 'Curriculum Enrichment Days' across the whole school. The aims of these curriculum days are to cover aspects of the National Curriculum that we cannot otherwise cover, to encourage different age groups and abilities to work together on a whole school focus and to stretch our most able learners, (e.g. through the leadership and planning of activities for their peers). These Curriculum Days usually focus on our Curriculum Priorities for the year, as well as some 'Wellbeing Days', which focus on positive mental health through a range of fun and team-building activities.

