

School Development Plan

2025-26



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Enhancing Maths Learning

Goal: Boost confidence and achievement in maths, especially in problem-solving.

What's Happening:

- **Vocabulary Focus:** Introducing a whole-school maths vocabulary framework to help children understand and use mathematical terms effectively.
- **Interactive Learning:** Implementing 'Plan a Think Aloud' strategies to encourage children to verbalize their problem-solving processes.

How It Helps Your Child: These strategies aim to make maths more accessible and enjoyable, fostering a deeper understanding and confidence in problem-solving.

Improving Presentation Across the Curriculum

Goal: Ensure consistent and high-quality presentation in all subjects.

What's Happening:

- **Policy Updates:** Revising handwriting and presentation policies to set clear expectations.
- **Staff Training:** Providing training sessions for teachers to maintain consistency.
- **Student Involvement:** Encouraging peer and self-assessment to promote ownership of work quality.
- **Celebrations:** Showcasing exemplary work through displays and rewards.

How It Helps Your Child: A consistent approach to presentation enhances pride in work and reinforces attention to detail.

Creating Calm and Tidy Learning Environments

Goal: Foster calmer classrooms to improve focus and reduce disruptions.

What's Happening:

- **Classroom Audits:** Evaluating current setups to identify improvements.
- **Sensory Strategies:** Implementing calming resources and designated zones.
- **Staff Training:** Educating staff on creating sensory-friendly environments.
- **Student Feedback:** Involving pupils in designing and maintaining their learning spaces.

How It Helps Your Child: A serene and organised environment supports better concentration and reduces anxiety.

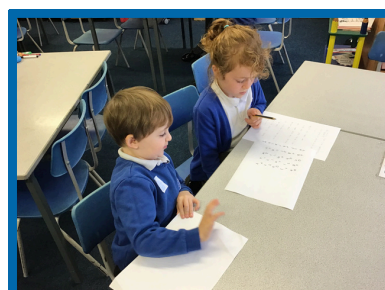
Supporting Social, Emotional, and Mental Health (SEMH)

Goal: Provide targeted SEMH support using the Boxall Profile.

What's Happening:

- **Assessments:** Conducting Boxall assessments to identify individual needs.
- **Interventions:** Implementing tailored support strategies based on assessment outcomes.
- **Parental Involvement:** Regular communication with parents about their child's progress.
- **Curriculum Integration:** Updating PSHE and pastoral curricula to address identified needs.

How It Helps Your Child: Personalised support enhances emotional well-being and engagement in learning.



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🌟 Enhancing Pupil Wellbeing and Attendance

Goal: Improve overall wellbeing and increase attendance rates.

What's Happening:

- **Wellbeing Champion:** Appointing a dedicated staff member to oversee wellbeing initiatives. This will be Mrs Peel
- **Wellbeing Hub:** Establishing a space equipped with resources to support mental health.
- **Events:** Introducing 'Wellbeing Wednesdays' and reward schemes to promote positivity.
- **Workshops:** Offering sessions for parents to support their children's wellbeing at home.

How It Helps Your Child: A focus on wellbeing ensures a supportive environment that encourages regular attendance and emotional resilience.

🌱 Strengthening Early Years Provision

Goal: Enhance early language, writing, and developmental outcomes.

What's Happening:

- **Resource Enhancement:** Upgrading indoor and outdoor learning materials.
- **Staff Development:** Providing CPD on early writing and language development.
- **Language Programs:** Implementing TWITCH and VERBO strategies for language enrichment.
- **Parental Feedback:** Gathering insights from parents to tailor provision effectively.

How It Helps Your Child: A robust early years foundation supports smoother transitions and long-term academic success.

🕒 Improving Attendance and Punctuality

Goal: Achieve attendance rates of 97% or higher and reduce persistent absence.

What's Happening:

- **Policy Development:** Creating updated attendance policies with clear expectations.
- **Incentives:** Introducing reward systems to encourage regular attendance.
- **Family Support:** Offering targeted interventions for families facing challenges.
- **Communication:** Maintaining strong links with local authorities and families.

How It Helps Your Child: Regular attendance supports consistent learning and academic progress.

📝 Enhancing Spelling, Punctuation, and Grammar (SPaG) in KS2

Goal: Improve SPaG outcomes in KS2 SATs and writing moderation.

What's Happening:

- **Program Implementation:** Continue with Spelling Shed and reviewing grammar progression.
- **Celebrations:** Recognising and celebrating student achievements in writing.

How It Helps Your Child: Strengthened SPaG skills contribute to clearer communication and academic success.

For more details and to see these initiatives in action, visit our school website: leavening.n-yorks.sch.uk to check out the latest newsletters and class updates.

If you have any questions or would like to get involved,
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