

The routeway through each topic

DISCOVER

In the term prior to their new topic starting, children take part in a Discovery Day. The day provides children with the opportunity to find out what their new topic will be. Teachers plan 'entry-point' activities that capture the children's interests, enthusiasm and imagination and 'hook' them into their learning. During the day, children make links between prior knowledge and explore what they would like to know and learn further. Teachers use this information to plan the topic in more detail, ensuring it is based around the children's interests.

CAPTIVATE

At the start of each topic, teachers plan immersive and exciting learning activities. These are designed to ignite children's curiosity and instil enthusiasm and hunger to discover more and more. Examples of learning activities include: Drama, Art, Music, Dance, Mysteries and Visitors to School.

EXCITE

During each topic, regular 'WOW' moments are planned into lessons. These 'WOW' moments add purpose to topics and ensure that the learning is fun whilst providing the opportunity to embed and apply the knowledge and skills taught.

CHALLENGE

As well as challenge opportunities within all lessons, open-ended challenge days are built into each topic. These are often team-based and require children to independently share and apply their knowledge. They are required to overcome barriers through resilience and perseverance and self-regulate their learning in order to be successful and achieve an end goal.

FLOURISH

Throughout each topic, children are given lots of opportunities to re-visit and share knowledge learnt- with their friends and teachers. Within every topic, there is also an opportunity for children to share their knowledge and learning with parents. "Come and Share" sessions happen termly.

At the end of each topic, children will complete a Knowledge Harvest. This is an opportunity for them to think about what they have learnt during the topic but also an opportunity for them to make links with previous learning. There is also often a 'Time to Shine' opportunity which is where children display or present their end of term learning. Parents are invited to attend this.