

## **Maths Curriculum Intent**

Our maths curriculum aims to develop the functional mathematical skills pupils need to achieve the highest possible level of independence.

We recognise that many of our pupils experience barriers to learning, including communication, cognition, and attention. Therefore, maths is not just about numbers—it is about understanding the world, making choices, solving everyday problems, and engaging meaningfully in real-life situations.

Our maths curriculum prioritises:

- Functional mathematical skills as the foundation of independence.
- Engagement with number, shape, measure, and pattern through meaningful, repetitive, and hands-on experiences.
- Development of early mathematical understanding, enabling pupils to recognise, use, and apply number and concepts in real-life contexts.
- Opportunities for problem solving and financial education, where pupils apply mathematical skills to make choices, manage money, and navigate everyday situations.
- Generalisation of skills across school, home, and the community.

Through a consistent approach, structured repetition, and carefully sequenced learning, we support pupils to engage with, understand, and apply mathematical skills in everyday life.

Ultimately, we aim for all pupils to develop the mathematical understanding and confidence needed to manage real-life situations, make choices, and live as independently as possible.