

How do we know our curriculum is having an impact?

Outcomes

- St. Thomas' is in the top 1% of all schools nationally (85th overall) for pupil outcomes (KS2 2022/2023).

Pupils Work

- Shows pride in what they produce in all subjects.
- Demonstrates progress and progression of skills and knowledge.
- Captures their deepening understanding of key concepts and disciplinary knowledge as well as declarative knowledge.
- Evidences coherent teaching sequence has taken place.
- Demonstrates our curriculum's emphasis on key vocabulary.
- Evidences adaptive teaching approaches used to support all learners.

Pupils

- Talk with confidence about what they have learned, using the correct vocabulary
- Can talk about the specific characteristics of a subject and disciplinary knowledge – at St. Thomas', we call this 'Thinking like a...' (e.g. artist).
- Are excited and enthused by our planned curriculum.
- Can show and talk about the work they have produced and explain the 'why' behind their work.
- Explain how their knowledge within a subject builds upon previous learning.
- Are able to make thoughtful and meaningful links with other subjects.
- Can all access the subjects and make progress regardless of their starting points or any additional needs.

Teachers

- Have the required subject knowledge to confidently teach the curriculum
- Have detailed planning and resources provided which supports workload and allows teachers to focus on pedagogy
- Use accurate assessment to inform learning and plan next steps
- Teach to a consistently high standard applying research informed teaching and learning approaches underpinned by research.
- Use support staff effectively.

Visitors

- Give positive feedback about behaviour and engagement in lessons
- Comment on the high-quality work they see.
- Report that leaders are clear about their strengths and next steps for the subject area they lead on.

Parents & Carers

- Comment on the children's positive attitudes to school
- Share examples of when their child has been enthused about learning from the curriculum and often carry out further home learning (see home learning menus).



Jesus said, 'Come follow me, live your lives the way God wants you to.'

