



Brompton & Sawdon CP School Curriculum Rationale

The following principles are the basis for all our curriculum planning

- It is our duty at Brompton & Sawdon CP, as a mainstream school, to provide a curriculum that is **ambitious** and **challenging** for **all** learners (where practical).
- This curriculum must fulfil the requirements set out in the **National Curriculum**. However, at Brompton, we go **beyond** these expectations, delivering a **deep**, as well as a **broad and balanced**, curriculum, which also reflect the needs, **rural context** and interests of our pupils.
- Whilst it is important that students have the opportunity to experience this depth of learning and experience their year group's curriculum and expectations, this should not be at the expense of **mastery** and **long-term retention**.
- When a student has not mastered a year group's curriculum, it is important that leaders and teachers **adapt** their curriculum, resources and practice. This may require teachers to 'secure' previous year group's expectations.
- At Brompton & Sawdon CP we firmly believe that **mixed-aged classes** are a benefit and not a necessity or hindrance; they allow students to progress at their own rate, whether that is allowing students to build on their strengths and looking at the next years' curricula or allowing students the time and support to secure understanding of previous year groups' curricula.
- We recognise, at Brompton, that students' **starting points** and previous educational experiences vary significantly. Our curriculum allows all students, especially the **disadvantaged**, to achieve their potential.