

## Westhaven School – Curriculum

The Westhaven curriculum is carefully designed to address the needs of every child. We believe that we have created a curriculum that puts wellbeing, academic achievement and enterprise and employability at its heart.

Our curriculum encompasses preparing for adulthood outcomes that include opportunities for employment, independent living, community inclusion and health.

Our learning pathways allow a structure to lessons that builds, reflects, revisits and reinforces knowledge and skills appropriate to the stage of development of the learner.

Pathway	Target Group	Intent	Implementation	Assessment route
EYFS	Reception	Our intent in the early years phase is to provide an environment that motivates children’s engagement skills to interact and develop knowledge of the world around them.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Play based</li> <li>• Continuous provision</li> <li>• Adult focused activities</li> <li>• Health and Wellbeing</li> </ul>	Differentiated Early Years outcomes
Preparing to Learn	Years 1 - 9	Our intent through the ‘preparing to learn’ pathway is to provide an individualised and creative curriculum to inspire children to continue to develop skills to be effective communicators with knowledge of how to self regulate in order to maintain a calm, alert state where prerequisite skills of EHCP and academic progress can be developed.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Play based</li> <li>• Continuous provision</li> <li>• Adult focused activities</li> <li>• Becoming independent, collaborative, inquisitive learners</li> <li>• Health and Wellbeing</li> </ul>	Learning Ladders for Life
Ready to Learn	Years 1 - 9	Our intent through the ‘ready to learn’ pathway is to provide a creatively broad and balanced topic-based curriculum.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Challenge based approach</li> <li>• Collaboration</li> <li>• Inspiring projects</li> <li>• Resilience building</li> <li>• Enterprising</li> <li>• Health and Wellbeing</li> </ul>	Westhaven Learning Ladders

Preparing for Independence	Years 10 - 13	Our intent through the 'preparing for independence' pathways is to provide opportunities to develop enterprise and careers. This includes work related learning, work experience, life skills and access to independent careers advice and employers enhanced through the schools 'Pathways to Employment' programme.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Preparing for adulthood</li> <li>• Developing an academic portfolio</li> <li>• Gaining vocational skills</li> <li>• Employability</li> <li>• Health and Wellbeing</li> </ul>	
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We believe children learn better when they are encouraged to use their imagination and apply their learning to engaging contexts. Our curriculum gives our children opportunities to solve problems, apply themselves creatively and express their knowledge and understanding effectively whilst developing excitement, skills, ideas and the chance to express the learning they have fostered.

We want every Westhaven pupil to be one that is a confident, happy individual that has a safe place to make mistakes. We want them to be inquisitive, resilient and inspired learners that believe in themselves and achieve their full potential.

Wellbeing travels through the heart of each pathway. At Westhaven we believe that no child is ready to develop and learn if they do not have their basic needs met and have a strong sense of identity and good mental and physical health.

### Impact

On our children	We wish for our Westhaven learners to be confident, happy individuals that have a safe place to make mistakes. We hope for them to be inquisitive, resilient and inspired learners that believe in themselves and achieve their full potential.
On progress	Our aim at Westhaven is to inspire learners to make progress academically, socially

	<p>and emotionally. Our performance data reflects this and pupils leave with qualifications and accreditations that are appropriate for their aspirations, next steps and the world of work.</p>
Next steps - beyond Westhaven	<p>We wish for our Westhaven pupils to be ready for their next steps in learning and life within the school and beyond.</p> <p>We hope to inspire them to follow a continued path into education, training or employment.</p>