

*To give all the opportunity to be who God created them to be and have fullness of life.*

## **Curriculum Vision**

**The vision of St Peters Elwick Church of England Primary School and its curriculum has been created in collaboration with staff pupils, parents, governors and local secondary schools**

St Peter's Church of England Primary School offers a broad and ambitious curriculum for all that is designed to: recognise children's prior learning, provide quality first-hand learning experiences, be relevant to the pupils in the here and now and, as far as we can predict, be relevant to the modern world. Its aim is to allow the children to develop interpersonal skills, build resilience, become creative, critical thinkers and courageous advocates whilst being underpinned by our values of:

***Friendship and Trust,***

***Compassion,***

***Thankfulness***

***Service***

We can only ensure that our pupils become educated citizens by exposing them to the best that has been thought and said.

We celebrate that every child is recognised as a unique individual by all members of staff and this is possible due to our relatively small setting. We welcome all and encourage differences within our school community and strive to address any form of barrier or disadvantage. Our curriculum strives to ensure that pupils have an understanding of and strategies to help attain good mental health and wellbeing.

The ability to learn is underpinned by the teaching of basic skills, knowledge, concepts and values. Children are supported to ensure they are able to read, write and use mathematical knowledge, ideas and operations to ensure they can access a broad and balanced curriculum throughout their life. We aim for pupils to not only know what they are learning but an understanding and appreciation of why they are learning it.

We constantly provide enhancement opportunities to enrich learning and believe that childhood should be a happy, investigative and enquiring time in our lives where there are no limits to curiosity, where errors can be made and a thirst for new experiences and knowledge can be developed. We use Growth Mindset Learning Powers: ***'be curious'; 'don't give up'; 'be cooperative'; 'concentrate'; 'have a go'; 'use your imagination'; 'keep improving' and 'enjoy learning'***. to promote positive attitudes to learning which reflect the

values and skills needed to promote responsibility for learning and future success. It is through this that will engender an appreciation of human creativity and achievement.

Elwick village and surrounding village community involvement is an essential part of our curriculum as we celebrate local traditions, (e.g. May Pole, farming calendar). Wider local community involvement too is essential as we work with many primary schools, secondary and further education providers, organizations from across the town of Hartlepool and North East (Diocese, Ogden Trust). We encourage pupils to see themselves as an integral part of the wider global community and see themselves as force for change.