
MODERN LANGUAGES

At Lawfield Primary School, pupils have the opportunity to experience French from Primary 1 and we are currently developing the opportunities for pupils to experience Spanish as well. One of our key aims is to develop young people's 'communicative competence' in French and Spanish so that they are able to use and enjoy the language effectively in real situations and for a range of relevant purposes in work and leisure throughout their life.

We use a variety of resources appropriate to the age and stage of our pupils and we strive to provide them with stimulating activities including opportunities for depth and breadth of learning. We currently have 4 teachers trained and qualified to teach French and/or Spanish.

SOCIAL STUDIES & SCIENCE

Lawfield Primary School benefits from a wide range of resources to support learning in science and social studies. Whenever possible we use the environment around us to support learning and teaching. This includes use of our grounds, our local area and excursions whenever possible. Topics are enriched by objects, photographs and information which the children find with parents' help and enjoy sharing with the class. Active learning experiences are vital and at Lawfield Primary we are planning to further develop our grounds for outdoor education, in order to enhance science experiences.



SCIENCES

Today's society demands increasing skills in technology and science and Lawfield's pupils are given opportunities to observe and explore basic scientific principles and use their skills to adapt or design solutions to problems. Our science lessons are designed to stimulate the interest and motivation of our pupils and we strive to plan challenging, engaging and enjoyable learning activities. We take advantage of opportunities for study in the local, natural and built environments, looking for opportunities to deepen our pupils' knowledge and understanding of the big ideas of the sciences. Children are encouraged to appreciate the wonders of nature and develop responsible attitudes towards the natural environment. Above all, at Lawfield we nurture our pupils' natural curiosity and their desire to create and work in practical ways.

SOCIAL STUDIES

At Lawfield, we aim to develop pupils' knowledge and understanding of their own environment and beyond. Through the study of their own community and other societies, both past and present, we hope that pupils will learn to respect others and take their place in society.

The social studies curriculum is structured under the following three main areas:

- people, past events and societies
- people, place and environment
- people in society, economy and business.