



CULTURAL CAPITAL AT PRESCOT PRIMARY SCHOOL

At Prescot Primary School, we view 'cultural capital' as the characteristics, knowledge and skills that promote social mobility, both now and in the future. We ensure that all children are exposed to a wide range of experiences that will develop their cultural capital and give them an advantage in later life.

We also recognise that all children have different starting points and so strive to layer experiences that will build over time and hopefully help to close any attainment gaps.

We want all of our pupils to flourish in their future lives.

Cultural Capital Experiences at Prescot Primary School include:

- An engaging curriculum that strives to plant seeds of curiosity for future learning
- Experiences and texts to illustrate and celebrate cultural diversity
- Prescot Pilots programme - to capture and celebrate learning outside of the curriculum. Annual celebration event with visiting speaker
- A focus on making good food choices and exploring different foods in our own canteen with bespoke menu - developing a love of food
- Apple Distinguished School. Member of a proactive learning community, work alongside other Apple schools, Knowsley CLC and Apple Store field trips. Apple GarageBand workshops & competition.
- 1:1 iPads for KS2 children. Access to a limitless world of collaborative learning
- Active school and cohort Twitter feeds that encourage families to share experiences/achievements outside of school that can then be discussed inside school
- Visits from Google Legends & use of their materials - promoting online safety
- Annual PSHE Conferences for KS2 cohorts.
- Project 4: annual conservation project in partnership with Chester Zoo. Visits from safari rangers and trips to the zoo. Other opportunities through the zoo: Wildlife Festivals/videos.
- Rights Respecting School Award (Bronze). Quality resources to inspire and develop understanding of global issues.
- Exposure to high quality texts in our rich library and digital libraries for each child. Books are everywhere in school to promote a love of reading
- Annual high quality pantomime in school for all
- Art: links to local artists and events: Martin Heron/Kirkby Art Gallery/Knowsley Art Festival annual project
- Visits to Prescot Library & Museum
- Dot Art Competition for Year 5
- Annual Art workshops in Y6 with Year 7 teacher
- EYFS Home learning bags to support development of wider skills
- Parental engagement activities: Stay & Play sessions/Phonics workshops/Family story times

- A wide range of sporting opportunities/clubs for all children. Working in partnership with quality providers: LFC/Beth Tweddle Gymnastics/Rebound Dance/West Park Rugby
- Member of the 'Prescot loves to talk' oracy project
- Developing links with the new 'Shakespeare of the North' theatre in Prescot
- Theatre visits and visitors from drama groups. SLICE/ALTRU.
- KS2 have weekly music lessons from a specialist teacher
- Extra-curricular clubs to promote STEAM: MAD Science/The Inventors
- History Workshops for KS2 lead by visiting experts
- Science enrichment activities, eg incubating eggs in EYFS and 'Dino Day' in Year 1
- Opportunities for all children to compete and represent the school in various competitions
- Annual Careers Week with Careers Showcase involving a range of visitors representing many different job groups
- Project assemblies for all year groups to present their learning to families
- School Choir visits and experiences: Christmas Festival/nursing home visits
- Wide range of trips planned for all year groups
- Leadership opportunities throughout KS2: House/EYFS Buddies/Digi Leaders/Pupil Safeguards/Sports Leaders
- Mentoring opportunities: Peer Tutors: Reading/Maths/Handwriting
- ASDAN Life Skills Club
- Learning lunchtimes - children have a choice in how to spend their time: indoor games, library time, outdoor sports, computer hubs
- Social groups – early interventions to develop social skills, eg Time to Talk/Mermaids
- Learning mentor sessions
- First News subscription (KS2) – weekly discussions about current news, keeping our children up to date and curious about the world in which they live
- National and International Awareness Days discussed in weekly assemblies
- Residential trips – Kingswood (Y4) and PGL Boreatton Park (Y6)
- Fundraising opportunities throughout the year
- HMRC visits and Natwest Moneysense programme
- Road Safety taught across all year groups
- Bikeability training in Year 5
- Swimming sessions in Year 5
- Dangers of Smoking and Alcohol Workshop (Y6)
- Regular visiting authors & poets: Michelle Hird/Simon Adeputan/Andy Tooze
- Engaging with authors and poets via Twitter: likes/retweets and comments
- Three visiting book fairs per year to promote latest releases
- Support for local and national charities, eg, 'Go neon for NEO'/Children in Need/Sports Relief

This list is not exhaustive as there are many unplanned moments in school that add to the cultural capital of individual children.

