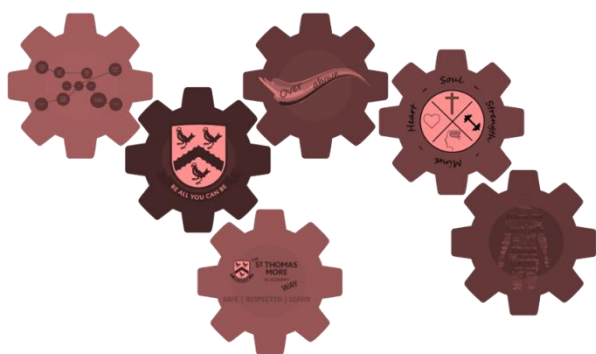




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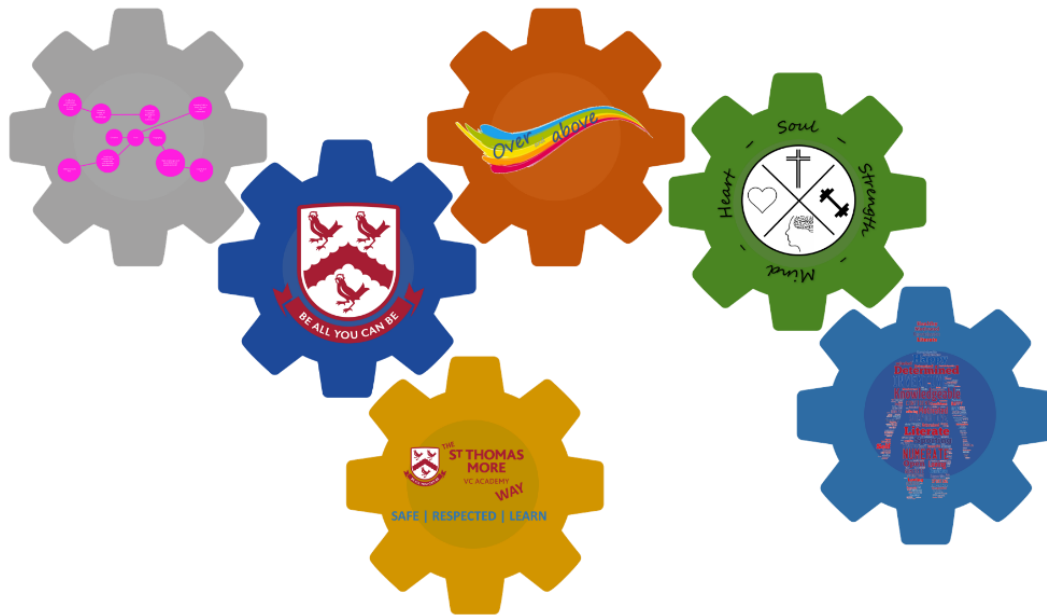
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Our Curriculum

Welcome to our School – This is The St Thomas More Way!

At St Thomas More we believe that every pupil within our school community has the chance to succeed and in turn we have designed a curriculum which intends to inspire, encourage and challenge all our pupils to '**Be All You Can Be**'.



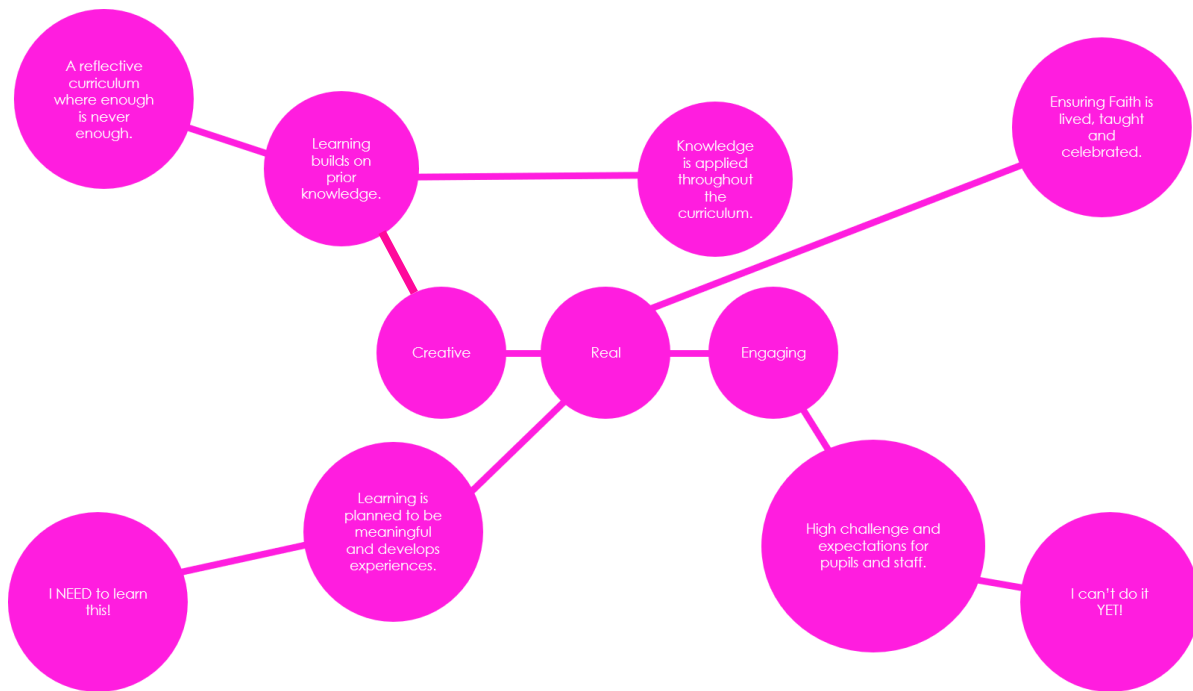
Our Curriculum is designed with the 'St Thomas More Leaver' in mind. As a school we have thought of the characteristics and skills that we want every member of our community to leave our school with. With these skills and characteristics in mind, we have developed an approach to delivering the National Curriculum that is **Creative, Real and Engaging**.

With Knowledge and Skill progression developed within school to support building on prior knowledge and supporting children to value learning. All Long-Term Plans support teachers with opportunities to develop sequences of learning that develop our pupils **spiritually, morally, physically** and **academically** as well as possible in a way that develops curiosity, links to real-life learning and a drive to want to learn.



A Connected Curriculum

Throughout our time designing the curriculum, we have been challenged to consider how as Teachers we can deliver a 'Connected Curriculum'. We know that a sense of purpose is key (Pink, 2009. Drive) and as a school we want our curriculum to offer opportunities that motivates our students to master the skills and apply them in new learning and see their value and purpose in the world in which they live.



The three driver words of our curriculum; Creative, Real and Engaging are the force behind learning within our school. As teachers we know that there are many circumstances and situations that can hinder our learning and if we offer lessons that are creative, all pupils will have curiosity sparked and this will drive self-motivation to learn. If our learning isn't purposeful, why are we doing it? We want our lessons to be meaningful and our determination for Real learning ensures that what we learn has a reason and that our children understand why they are learning what they are and how it will establish them in their future dreams and ambitions. With creative, real lessons our STM learners are engaged. They know they need to learn this, it is OK to find things challenging and make mistakes because these are skills for the future - that we will achieve. At St Thomas More our curriculum never stays still, as we always strive to take our learning and the learning of our pupils to the next level.