

## School Improvement and Development Priorities 2023-2024

Aspirations, Expectations, No Excuses – VINCAM – Together We Conquer

| Priority  | Objectives  |
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| Ofsted Target   | Ensure that there is a clear focus on teaching skills in those subjects where this is not yet a strength so that achievement matches that in writing and mathematics.   |
| Achievement 1<br>To narrow the gap in all year groups from<br>progress lost during Covid19 lockdown   | <ul> <li>To make relevant revisions and adaptations to curriculum programmes of study, in light of lost learning, identified knowledge gaps and assessment outcomes.</li> <li>Use existing assessment information and undertake relevant assessment, to inform the content and organisation of planned sequences of learning.</li> <li>Plan effective timely intervention and catch up strategies</li> <li>Develop detailed knowledge and skills across the curriculum</li> </ul>                                 |
| Achievement 2<br>To improve pupil life chances by reaching<br>National expectations in Maths, Writing,<br>Reading and GPS whilst teaching a full<br>range of subjects | <ul> <li>To ensure that learners are ready for their next stage of their education</li> <li>To ensure that at least the national expectation for progress is reached by year 6</li> <li>To ensure that at least the national expectation for attainment is reached by year 6</li> <li>Raise achievement in reading through explicit skill based teaching</li> <li>Continue to maintain/raise achievement in maths by using focussed intervention and identifying and then filling the gaps in learning</li> </ul> |

|                      | <ul> <li>Continue to maintain/raise achievement in writing by making sure that teachers challenge all pupils<br/>and expect improved and edited extended pieces.</li> </ul>  |
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| Curriculum provision | <ul> <li>Ensure our curriculum is broad, ambitious and sequential and is exemplified by the National curriculum via Edison Learning, Maths No Problem, Discovery RE and JigSaw</li> <li>Staff receive training in areas of curriculum change in order to provide outstanding curriculum provision</li> <li>Staff understand the previous curriculum journey of our pupils,</li> <li>The knowledge and skills required are progressively broadened so that the pupils build upon prior learning experiences</li> <li>Broaden provision by devising non-core enrichment project days - where all pupils come off-timetable</li> <li>Offer a range of extra-curricular purposeful activities, visits, trips and visitors to complement and broaden what is being taught in class through skills and aspirations for life</li> <li>Expand pupil's cultural capital through opportunities and activities that will enhance their knowledge and skills in order to understand the world better – e.g. celebrating and embracing the different backgrounds, heritage, language and traditions of all the children living in this country</li> <li>Pupils become more aware of what they need to do to be successful by increasingly taking responsibility for their own learning.</li> <li>Pre-teaching becomes a recurring aspect of the curriculum offer</li> <li>Pre teaching sessions are planned for those pupils (individual/cohort) as required</li> </ul> |
| Quality of Education | <ul> <li>Planning continues to be consistently good; planning contributes to effective teaching and good outcomes for pupils</li> <li>Strengthen the work of the subject leader</li> <li>A culture of sharing information and good practice re current protocols continues amongst staff</li> <li>Continue to raise standards for all pupils including pupils with SEND through effective intervention which is programed and planned for</li> <li>Ensure that pupils have sufficient opportunities to write at length in different subjects and so increase their progress in writing</li> <li>Promote flair in writing as a subjective element to GDS writing</li> <li>Develop pupils' reading fluency in order to improve comprehension</li> <li>Pupils have sufficient opportunities to read at length in different subjects and so increase their progress in reading</li> </ul>  |

|  | Pupils have sufficient opportunities to learn the skills required for effective comprehension                          |
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|  | <ul> <li>Subject specific vocabulary across all subjects is taught to induct pupils into the language which</li> </ul> |
|  | defines each subject in its own right  |
|  | <ul> <li>To expand the pupils capacity to learn through experiences – real and virtual</li> </ul>                      |
|  | <ul> <li>To continue to raise standards for pupils with SEND</li> </ul>  |
|  | <ul> <li>Work towards reading ages being on par with at least chronological age in the majority of cases</li> </ul>    |
| Leadership and Management              | Continue to develop the strengths and areas for development of the school based leadership team                        |
|  | <ul> <li>Governors to continue to impact on the strategic direction and hold all leaders to account</li> </ul>         |
|  | • Ensure that the performance management cycle facilitates good or better teaching and improved                        |
|  | outcomes for all children  |
|  | • Ensure that all safeguarding procedures and policies are effective and communicated to all                           |
|  | stakeholders   |
|  | <ul> <li>To successfully induct and support all new teachers and members of staff – including ECTs and</li> </ul>      |
|  | ECT+1 teacher, ensuring that they have the relevant mentoring, support and CPD   |
|  | • To successfully induct and support all new governors, ensuring that they have the relevant                           |
|  | mentoring, support and CPD   |
| Behaviour and attitudes                | Continue to promote higher attendance levels i.e. target 2023/24 is 97%  |
|  | Continue to promote positive behaviour   |
|  | <ul> <li>Continue to be a 'telling' school in order to combat bullying</li> </ul>                                      |
|  | <ul> <li>Pupils acquire GRIT – in order to increase the desire to make improvements</li> </ul>                         |
| Personal Development                   | <ul> <li>To ensure the mental health and well-being needs of pupils and staff are met</li> </ul>                       |
|  | Plan opportunities for pupils to lead learning   |
|  | <ul> <li>To tackle overweight and obesity levels within the school</li> </ul>  |
|  | British values and our school values are reflected in the behaviour of our school community                            |
| WJGS marketing and reputation building | <ul> <li>Tackle the question – 'Is WJGS the best kept secret in Croydon?'</li> </ul>                                   |
|  | • Expand the school's social media profile i.e. YouTube video channel, Twitter Instagram and                           |
|  | Facebook posts   |
|  | Capture stakeholder view through testimonials  |
|  | <ul> <li>Our community are asked to spread the word about WJGS</li> </ul>  |
|  | Awards sought  |
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