

Moors School Curriculum



Glaisdale Primary School



In the
North York Moors
National Park

Rationale

Our children live and learn in an ever-changing rural landscape, with the North York Moors practically on the school's doorstep. This wild setting offers a vast array of learning opportunities, which we believe all our children are entitled to experience. As pupils have variable experiences of their locality out of school, we feel it is our duty to embed learning in a meaningful way making the fullest possible use of our unique location.

Content

Our Moors School curriculum seeks to weave together three key strands:

'Bushcraft' type adventurous activity to develop resilience and build outdoor skills.	Proactive, planned curriculum learning to embed subject-specific knowledge in the outdoors.	Activities to inspire and create opportunities for awe and wonder.
From the PE curriculum, we, <i>'take part in outdoor and adventurous activity challenges both individually and within a team.'</i>	We plan outdoor opportunities across a wide range of curriculum areas.	We undertake ad hoc activities, based on the given circumstances. We also work with other agencies to extend our offer.
Examples: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Orienteering • Cycling, led by trained school staff • Lighting fires • Using blades and other tools • We also offer a residential visit to all pupils, which incorporates adventurous activity. 	Examples: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Using local landscapes as inspiration for art. • Writing poetry based on the moors. • Undertaking science activities on the moorland. • Exploring and identifying maths within nature. • Using computing skills to record and edit findings whilst outdoors. 	Examples: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spending time in the snow! • Canoeing • Surfing • Dark Skies event, led by staff from the North York Moors National Park.

The Moors Room

We have a bespoke Moors Room within school where children access books, maps and other resources linked to outdoor learning. Children enjoy sharing the resources within the room but also take them outside regularly to support their learning in the local area, including on the moorland. In the Moors Room, we display and celebrate examples of our outdoor learning.



A developing curriculum

The Moors School curriculum and provision will continue to develop, following ongoing evaluation by staff and pupils. The Moors School curriculum also links to several of our 'oaths', as detailed below:

