

# Edward Peake C of E (VC) Middle School

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## **POLICY FOR GIFTED & TALENTED PUPILS**

### **Introduction**

- Edward Peake C of E (VC) Middle School is committed to ensuring that gifted and talented pupils are recognised, supported, inspired and challenged to ensure they do not underachieve and that they maximise their potential.
- Edward Peake C of E (VC) Middle School celebrates achievements and rewards success.
- The Gifted and Talented Co-ordinator will have responsibility for provision in relation to the most able and monitoring of their achievement.

### **Aims**

- To provide entitlement to an appropriate education.
- To provide opportunity and motivation to work at a higher cognitive level.
- To provide opportunities to develop specific skills and talents.
- To support teachers in their work with these pupils.
- To deliver the curriculum in a way that increasingly “teaches to the top”
- To facilitate pupils in accessing external opportunities.
- To show concern for the whole child, both intellectually and socially.
- To celebrate their achievements.

### **Identification**

- At Edward Peake C of E (VC) Middle School procedures for identification of G&T pupils will be transparent, non-discriminatory and flexible.
- The agreed identification criteria at Edward Peake C of E (VC) Middle School will involve at least two of the following:
  - Objective test data (SATs; CATs where appropriate)
  - 6+ points above national expectations in TA grades
  - Referral from teachers in line with the published subject policy for identification
  - Referral from outside organisations
  - Recommendations from Lower Schools and previous schools
  - Parental requests will be considered in accordance with the above criteria
- Pupils may be added at any time during the school year, if they meet the above criteria.
- The list of G&T pupils will be reviewed annually and distributed to staff. This will also be available on the school’s digital network
- Pupils will be identified by subject leaders on SIMS marksheets.

### **Support**

- Edward Peake C of E (VC) Middle School recognises the complex needs of the exceptionally able pupils and will seek to provide them with opportunity, enrichment and challenge.
- Pupils will be informed of, and encouraged to attend, extra curricular enrichment and extension opportunities.
- Pupils will receive periodic mentoring from their form tutors and/or the G&T Coordinator.

## Curriculum

- Edward Peake C of E (VC) Middle School will ensure pupils have their full entitlement to the National Curriculum.
- The enrichment programme includes subject excellence events, attendance at external events e.g. Maths Mates, Stratton Upper Discovery Day, Stratton Art Day, instrumental and choral events, athletics events as well as other visits.
- Provision will be made for pupils to work at a higher level. Subject leaders will allow for this in the way they feel most appropriate. These could include:
  - Differentiated materials and higher order tasks
  - Grouping by ability
  - Differentiated homework tasks
- There will be a Governor with responsibility for G&T who will meet with the co-ordinator to review the school's responsibility for Gifted and Talented pupils.
- Summary reports of these meetings will be shared with the governing body in order that they remain informed of the programme.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_  
Chair of Governors

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