

## **CURRICULUM STATEMENT**

***At St Thomas's, it is our expectation that every pupil succeeds, no exceptions, no excuses.***

All our young people demonstrate social, emotional and mental health needs and SEND. We believe our young people with complex, challenging needs, deserve the highest level of care and education which goes above and beyond.

It is our intent to ensure the highest possible outcomes for our young people through our curriculum to ensure we enhance their life opportunities and equip them with the skills, knowledge, cultural awareness and practical experience they need for the next steps of education and into their chosen career. This includes succeeding in statistical testing, developing life skills, building character and nurturing aspirations.

By implementing a broad and varied curriculum, we offer a bespoke learning programme which meets a range of needs, as well as encompassing a broad spectrum of knowledge and skills to ensure we engage our young people. Our curriculum adopts structured schemes of work which aims to build upon previous knowledge and is enriched through real world application and cross curricular links. Furthermore, we aim to complement our young people's curriculum through culturally rich experiences in order to develop inclusive, tolerant, respectful and aspirational citizens who learn to give back to their community and make a positive contribution to life after St Thomas's.

The impact of the whole curriculum secures the highest possible outcomes for each individual pupil. This results in students leaving St Thomas's with a sense of pride regarding their academic achievements and social skills acquired, necessary to thrive in the modern world.