More Able Pupils – October 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

In line with both our school motto, **'Inspire. Challenge. Achieve'** and national Inclusion Flagship School status, we are committed to providing a high-quality education that enables every child to fulfil their potential. We recognise that all children have individual strengths, interests and talents, and that some pupils demonstrate particularly high levels of ability or potential in specific areas of learning.

At Westacre, we use the term **'more able'** to describe pupils who demonstrate, or have the potential to demonstrate, particularly high levels of knowledge, understanding or skill in one or more areas of the curriculum. This may include academic subjects as well as areas such as sport, music, the arts and leadership. More-able pupils may grasp new concepts quickly, make connections between different areas of learning, demonstrate particularly strong subject knowledge or apply their skills confidently in unfamiliar situations.

Supporting and challenging more-able pupils is an important part of our everyday teaching. Teachers provide appropriate challenge through carefully planned learning activities, effective questioning, discussion and opportunities for children to think deeply, solve problems and apply their knowledge and skills in increasingly complex situations. We aim to develop independence, encourage curiosity and ensure that all pupils are challenged to achieve their very best.

Beyond the classroom, we also seek to provide opportunities for pupils to develop their strengths and interests through enrichment activities, specialist teaching, performances, educational visits and opportunities to work with other schools.

We also recognise that many children have particular talents, interests and achievements outside school that we may not always be aware of. These might include sporting achievements, musical or artistic abilities, performing arts, leadership skills or talents in other areas.

We would love to hear from parents and carers about these strengths so that we can celebrate children's successes and, where appropriate, explore opportunities to further develop their talents, either within school or through external organisations. We are interested in hearing about children's interests and abilities even where they have not received formal awards or qualifications.

If your child has a particular talent or interest that you would like to share with us, please email the school office with the subject **'Pupil Talents'**, including your child's name, class and a brief description of their talent or achievements.

Thank you for your continued support in helping us to inspire, challenge and celebrate the achievements of all our pupils.

Kind regards,

Mr P Barber
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