Pool House CP School

Teaching and Learning Policy

At Pool House we believe that teachers can and do make a difference to the achievement of our pupils. The purpose of this policy is to highlight the key features that will be observed in all classes leading to pupils being stimulated and challenged to reach their full potential through successful teaching and learning.

In preparation for the lesson teachers will have:

- Clear, focussed learning objectives that show progression and differentiation
- Good subject knowledge
- A knowledge of why the children need to know, understand or be able to do something
- Appropriately high expectations of what the pupils will achieve
- A clear understanding of AfL and assessment strategies which are used effectively to inform teaching and learning

The environment will be:

- Tidy and organised
- Integrated and purposeful
- Bright and cheerful
- Interactive

The resources for the lesson will be:

- Appropriate for the children and the task
- Adapted by need
- Ready and in reach for the children

The children will know how to use the resources or be taught how to do so. Instructions and routines will be clear and /or familiar.

The teaching and learning is most effective when:

- Instructions are clear
- Adapted questioning and questioning styles are used
- The teacher and the classroom are calm and positive
- The children are interested and motivated and they understand the purpose of the lesson
- Classroom support is used effectively
- Children are involved in their own assessment.

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