



HEADLANDS SCHOOL  
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# Our Curriculum – The ARC



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## Our Intent

To provide an alternative curriculum and education experience for students from Key Stage 2 to 5, to develop the individual, moulding independent learners and confident young minds. Our students may typically be those who:

- refuse to attend mainstream school;
- are at risk of permanent exclusion from school;
- is posing a risk to the welfare of others at school;
- have found mainstream unable to meet their emotional, social or intellectual needs.

As a result of our alternative curriculum Headlands Arc students will be inspired to:

- Engage positively with a range of subjects
- Work towards re-integration in to a mainstream setting through a 12-week placement
- Successfully move into further education at college or through an apprenticeship.

## Our Implementation

In order to realise our vision we will provide opportunities for students to experience success through an alternative approach to learning and teaching and an aim to ensure that the learning experience of our students is one that is tailored in a way that ensures progress. We offer a broad and balanced curriculum that allows students to engage and re-engage with learning whilst studying traditional National Curriculum subjects and Vocational qualifications. Our curriculum is highly flexible and tailored to individual needs and may change over time. We look for opportunities to be innovative and maintain a 21<sup>st</sup> century offer to students.

We provide opportunities for students to:

- Experience engaging and purposeful lessons characterised by pace, stretch and challenge
- Study curricula which is continually reviewed to ensure that it is fit for purpose
- Develop their knowledge, fluency and application in a range of subjects demonstrating progress from their starting points
- Work together to create a better community for all and develop personal strength and resilience.
- Experience an inclusive community. Each person is needed, valued and important. When things go wrong we will forgive each other and make a fresh start. We will share what we have with those in need and try to treat others as we would like them to treat us.

### The Impact

The impact of our curriculum will be evidenced through:

- Our student enthusiasm for the range of subjects we offer demonstrated through improved attendance and behaviour
- Students work and progress as evidenced in their books
- Successful long term re-integration in to a mainstream setting and a reduction in fixed term and permanent exclusion
- The progress and attainment of students in external assessments
- The proportion of students moving in to further education (0% NEET)