



SFA Teaching and Learning Mission Statement

At St Francis of Assisi we believe that only the best is good enough for each and every one of our students, and because of this every student is entitled to the most challenging curriculum regardless of their socio-economic background, ability or barriers to learning. We firmly believe that knowledge is the key to success for our students, and the more that they retain the more successful they will be, and the greater opportunities they will have in years to come. A rich curriculum that is underpinned by detailed rigorous knowledge allows our students to apply this knowledge to more complex questions and situations. Through a regular and continuous cycle of rich learning of knowledge, and practice via application to challenging questions, students will become highly knowledgeable and skilled practitioners equipped for the world of work or further education. According to the DfE, Teaching and curriculum excellence is one in which is based upon research, is underpinned by quality coaching, and includes 'the benefits, characteristics and examples of knowledge-rich curricula.' (National Professional Qualification Content and Assessment Framework, October 2017).