

Able, Gifted and Talented

At Wrington C of E Primary School we are committed to high standards and ensuring every child fulfils their potential. High achievement is valued and celebrated and we provide additional challenging tasks for children who need to be extended. Providing multiple and varied opportunities for the children to flourish in a variety of disciplines is a cornerstone of our able pupil philosophy. We encourage children to broaden their experiences through inter-school activities and competitions and design a challenging and innovative curriculum to inspire high achievement.



Regional Youth Speaks competition winners April 2012

All children are encouraged to participate in enrichment activities. In our attempt to broaden children's horizons we offer:

- From Reception through to Year 6, **French tuition** by our Languages specialist, beginning with 'Take 10', music and movement to children's (French) rhymes;
- **clarinet** lessons for all Year 3 children;
- **chess** lessons for all children in Year 4 to improve their strategic thinking;
- **Latin** through a 'Classics' based course, Minimus for all children in Years 5 & 6;
- Development Teams for all children from Year 1 to Year 6 as part of a '**Learning to Lead**' programme, which encourages children to improve different aspects of the school thus developing their independence, their team skills as well as experiencing aspects of economic awareness;
- Access to teaching **specialists** in a variety of disciplines e.g. music, PE, DT, children's literature;
- An '**inspiring visitors**' programme which has included scientists, musicians, actors, sportsmen and authors;



Scientists at work!

- Our **'wow' days** which inspire and motivate our students and these may be class, Key Stage or whole-school based;
- A variety of opportunities for performance within **the arts** to develop confidence.



On stage at the Memorial Hall, Wrington

Opportunities, both regular and one-off, are given for identified children to be challenged to a higher level.

- Specialist curriculum activities (e.g. Extension numeracy or literacy groups)
- Special events (e.g. Gifted writer workshop; Choral world premier CD recording)
- The school supports attendance at Gifted and Talented courses at Kilve Court, Somerset*

We recognise that learning does not stop outside the classroom and some children's gifts and talents are developed in extracurricular pursuits. In our celebration service external certificates and trophies are presented alongside in-school successes.



In our glamorous outfits at the NOSCARS for achievement in animation

The school has a policy for more able pupils and we are currently striving to achieve the NACE Challenge Award.

*Financial assistance may be available (Please see Ms Joskey)