**A St John’s Historian**

***‘Children are a gift from the Lord’ (Psalm 127 v.3)***

**The vision of our school**

***St. John’s is a caring, Christian community striving to support its members to achieve their God given potential. Exploring our unique gifts and raising aspirations, we prepare our children for the challenges of the modern world. Following Jesus’ example, we seek to grow good people who can make a difference.***

**A Vision Statement for Physical Education**

P.E. are inspired to be physically confident and fit and healthy enough to take on challenges including competitive sport. They will develop their coordination, tactics, fitness and skills in a range of sports and games. Everyone benefits from being physically active and we recognise that this has a positive effect on mental health also.

The P.E. units of work ensure the accumulation of knowledge, behaviours, and skills that offer both progression and challenge as the children move through St. John’s (see ‘Progression of Skills Knowledge Map’). Pupils are given many opportunities to demonstrate their developing skills in a range of sports and games.

We recognise that each and every children is a ‘…gift from the Lord’ consequently, developing and supporting every child in our care: spiritually, morally, socially, culturally and intellectually to become the best that they can be is fundamental to all that we do. We want our children to have the desire to aspire and achieve whatever they want in the world.

As with all curriculum subjects, our school’s Christian vision drives all of our learning.

**God in our Lives**

Our school is a safe place where curious children feel they can discuss and develop their understanding. Throughout the PE curriculum pupils learn to develop a range of skills and know more about what they can achieve.

Pupils are given the opportunity to learn about inspirational figures from the world of sport. For example, children may learn about Marcus Rashford and his campaign to provide more funding for school meals for children in the UK.

**Ignite your fire**

We ignite a passion for physical activity by teaching children the skills to participate in a range of sports and games. We endeavour to enter lots of competitions so that children can express their talents and compete against others. Children are introduced to a range of physical activity. For example, children are able to take part in the St John’s outdoor adventure course on our grounds as well as try new sports such as skiing.

We seek to grow good people who can make a difference to the world around them. Our PE study units provide many opportunities to ‘meet’ individuals who were born into ordinary families but went on to make an extraordinary difference to the world around them.

For example, children learn about local heroes who have achieved sporting success such as Elliot Hansen who competed in the Tokyo 2020 Olympics and hails from Macclesfield.

**Family**

At St John’s we help our children to recognise the importance of being respectful compassionate and kind friends through understanding human achievements and experiences throughout the world. We believe sport is a good opportunity for children to learn how to cooperate and develop positive relationships with one another.

**Truth**

We teach children to be true to themselves and find their talents and believe in their potential. Children are taught how to play with good sportsmanship.