



WESTFIELD PRIMARY SCHOOL

2025-26

More Able, Gifted and Talented Subject Report

Subject	More Able, Gifted and Talented	Date	April 2026
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Overview of the year: Sept 2025 – July 2026			
AIM high workshops have continued to be hosted in the Pod for local schools. One had to be cancelled due to lack of interest/funding by other schools. A child said that the workshop was fantastic and she bought 3 books from him and he signed them. She said they were her favourite books. When asked what she learnt/will take away from it, she said they were discussing 'show not tell' – description and events tell us about a character not just saying it. From an LSA – Steve told me that we have excellent writers here and even told one child that whatever else he does, he should continue writing stories in his spare time. He was very impressed with all the children and gave them all positive comments and constructive feedback. 2nd LSA - It was a fabulous workshop, all the children were engaged and contributing. They were shown how to evolve the characters and the story, they all wrote their own stories based on the Titanic. Steve was very encouraging and made the day fun for the children. One of SLT focused QA on those Mathematicians that are no longer Greater Depth as this was identified on IDSR as an area to focus on.			
Curriculum: Intent, implementation, Impact			
Intent Our PRIDE values are central to the More Able strategy. Our pupils come from a wide range of backgrounds and the aim is to deliver equity for all. Children get a positive start to their learning and are encouraged to foster a love of learning throughout their school career through high-level class teaching. • From EYFS onwards, we develop the skills required for successful outcomes into the future – curiosity, problem solving, independence, articulation and self-motivation. • We follow a carefully planned and structured curriculum so there is a clear progression of knowledge, skills and understanding. • Targeted support is given to PP and SEND children. • As the children progress through the school, we continue to develop their ability to acquire a deeper knowledge and understanding. • We broaden their horizons with exposure to a wealth of experiences.			
Implementation To ensure that the More Able (Greater Depth) are challenged and stretched, not just in core subjects but within all subjects. We intend to: • Plan and teach high quality lessons for all pupils across the curriculum and include excel challenges. • Encourage curiosity and self-questioning in the pupils. • Maximise the use of interactive resources such as Seesaw, VR headsets, and i-pads to promote independent learning and provide evidence of learning experiences.			
Impact Through this work we will: • Encourage the children to be proud of their achievements and continue to strive to improve. • Aim for children to develop inquisitive minds with a questioning culture. • Have children happy to discuss and share ideas with each other. • Have children with the self-confidence to learn from their mistakes without fear of failure. • Have children who recognise that the skills and learning will set the foundations for their future successes.			
Next steps:			
• AIM High workshops in Maths and Writing will be booked for the upcoming academic year.			

- Monitor the % of children across the school working at GD in R, W, M and combined. For Combined, aim for National GD level 2025 8% (School was 4% 2025) - Identify children who have dropped from GD or who could achieve GD and discuss appropriate support with the CTs.	
5 Key messages of the year:	What Performance Information is monitored? What are the 3 questions are you considering for future developments?
- Diversity week, Maths week, Writing week and curriculum days facilitated the More Able pupils to practice and show case their learning. - Quality First teaching and focus on GD from IDSR has led to 28% of children being GD for Maths, 29% for Reading, 8% for Writing, 7% combined (March 2026). - Regular monitoring of books and planning adaptations for GD (Greater Depth) pupils. - GD workshops are an important way to improve our pupils' cultural capital with exposure to a variety of authors from diverse backgrounds. - Witnessing the children's enthusiasm and quality of writing during and after the workshops.	Key Questions: - Are we successfully tracking the progress of More Able and using it to inform planning? - Are children consistently being offered challenges in class to extend their knowledge and understanding? - Are our levels of GD in line with National Levels?
What is progress like within this subject?	How much funding did you receive this year and what was it spent on?
The progress of Pupils identified as More Able is monitored regularly in the key areas of Maths, Writing, Reading, Combined and GPS.	£0.00
How does your subject area help to further develop SMSC (Learning for Life) in and around the school?	How are Fundamental British Values promoted within your subject?
- Spiritual: In RE, children that are more able gain a deeper understanding of different religions and reflect on how these might impact upon our lives. - Moral: In Learning for Life, children are challenged to discuss difficult moral issues and to form opinions and solutions based on their own thoughts. - Social: Children often work in mixed ability groups in class which encourages them to develop their own teaching skills. - Cultural: most able children are encouraged to think and discuss their opinions about different cultures in the	- Democracy- children discuss the role of democracy in our country and other parts of the world, often as a result of their reading activities. - Rule of law- children recognise the importance of rules for the good of all. - Mutual respect- the children work together in small groups, sharing ideas and supporting each other in a positive way. - Individual liberty- the children are able to share their thoughts and opinions in a safe environment within the school and society. - Tolerance of different cultures and religions- the children in Westfield are of

creative curriculum.	different faiths and cultures but all work together in a respectful way.
If you could change/ develop one thing in this area what would it be and why?	What will be the three key resources you will be bidding for this year and why?
For children to develop greater self-belief and be prepared to have a go, knowing that mistakes are a good way of learning.	N/A
Every child is entitled to a broad and balanced curriculum. Able, gifted and talented features are in all areas of the curriculum in all year groups. We aim to provide the highest quality of education for all our children, in an environment that is challenging, motivating, disciplined, caring and moral, where children can acquire the skills and knowledge appropriate to their individual needs through the delivery of a creative curriculum. Within all lessons, teachers ensure that activities are available to effectively challenge and extend AGT children while also giving opportunities for others to work at higher levels. 6 key skills: 1. Questioning 2. Reasoning 3. Challenging others 4. Supporting others 5. Making links 6. Evaluating A good More Able learner would be achieving greater depth throughout the curriculum by the end of year 6. This would mean that they can clearly demonstrate that they have acquired and can use the 6 skills identified above. Quality Assurance provides evidence through book looks, photographs and planning, that children are learning skills and not just the topic knowledge.	
What does Fast Feedback look like in your subject? How do you know this has been effective for children's progress?	Is your subject an SDP priority? Has there been school training and / or development related to your subject / specific SDP objectives? Have you taken part in any individual research? What has been the impact of this on the children and staff?
Evidence of children self-correcting their work and re-drafting, if appropriate. Evidence of fast feedback policy in place in which pupils' work is seen to improve as a result. Evidence of a range of problem-solving opportunities and a development of vocabulary.	More Able, Gifted and Talented is not a specific SDP priority however it is an integral part of all the core subjects. Assessment subject leader folder contains data sheets and analysis of core subjects including the % working at Greater Depth. Foundation Subject excel grids show the % of children in each class working at GD in those subjects. Individual subject leaders use this to inform their work.