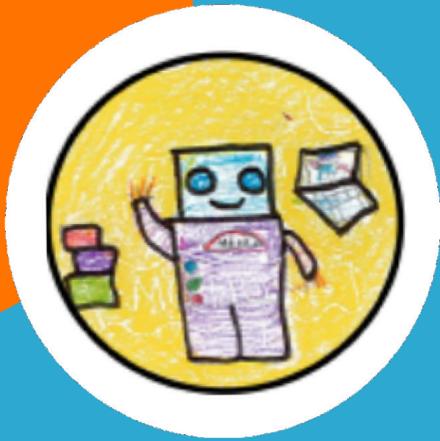


We place great importance on enrichment at Kentmere.



Design and Technology

There are many events and activities at Kentmere Academy and Nursery that enrich children's D&T experiences beyond the National Curriculum. High-quality D&T education makes an essential contribution to the creativity, culture, wealth and well-being of the nation.

We believe that enrichment is the key to memorable, effective learning, so we ensure that every half term, the children have at least one trip, visitor or 'wow' day, linked to their Design and Technology topic. For example, in EYFS, the school Chef led sessions where she talked about her job and involved children in food tasting; Year 1/2 visited Skipton castle during their Structures topic; Warburton's came in to run lessons with year 3/4 when they were learning about breadmaking and year 5/6 visited Blackpool Pleasure Beach as they were carrying out their motorised Ferris wheel project.

We provide many free afterschool clubs that further inspire our Kentmere children to become resourceful, innovative, enterprising and capable citizens; these include Construction, Cookery, Sewing, Computing and Science clubs.

In addition to this, we participate in various STEM projects to showcase the careers of Designers, Architects, Engineers, Scientists and Mathematicians. The most recent STEM project was provided by The University of Manchester, where KS2 children had to research, plan and design a sustainable community, working to a design brief.

We've also encouraged STEM within class team-building exercises, where children have had to construct the tallest tower, as a team, using only spaghetti and marshmallows. You can imagine the fun they have with that!

The Great British Bake Off has inspired us as a nation to get baking and we've taken that challenge on ourselves at Kentmere, hosting our very own annual 'Bake Off' competition. We get many fascinating (and delicious) entries, all of which are then sold at our School Fair, to raise money. Instilling a love of cooking in pupils will also open a door to one of the great expressions of human creativity. Learning how to cook is a crucial life skill that enables pupils to feed themselves and others affordably and well, now and in later life.