



# Enrichment at Beormund

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**"I hear and I forget. I see and I remember. I do and I understand."**

— Confucius



Enrichment sessions provide children with real life learning experiences beyond the National Curriculum objectives. This incorporates visiting museums, galleries, theatres and making the most of the cultural experiences, tourist attractions as well as the parks and gardens that London has to offer. These trips always have a learning focus and are often linked to their Creative Curriculum. Other activities would be identified to enhance relevant life skills according to their age, development and needs. In English children are asked to critically reflect on the author's use of different words, or are asked to empathise with a character. We need to extend their life experiences and expand the use of their vocabulary in order for them to be better equipped to answer such questions.

*This list is not exhaustive, nor in order of relevance but gives an indication of the key aspects that we have identified in relation to the school's philosophy on Enrichment activities*

- To provide the children with life experiences which broadens their horizons.
- To bring learning to life.
- To enhance children's Emotional Literacy.
- To provide a context for ideas for writing.
- Staff to provide engaging, personalised Basic tasks in relation to the experiences.
- To extend and enhance their vocabulary choices.
- To encourage children to take risks, move out of their comfort zone, explore the unknown.
- Develop their own self esteem.
- To provide children with a greater exposure to the public where they have the opportunity to observe and practice their social interactions with a wider community.
- To support the development of manners, courtesy and social cues.
- To encourage and expose children to the use of public transport whilst developing travel map reading skills, their knowledge of London and its infrastructure so that they can navigate themselves on journeys.
- To discover museums, galleries and other places of interest in and around London.
- To develop an awareness of local resources that are freely available (and free) in and around London.
- To foster shared, common experiences amongst the class team - team building/bonding opportunities.
- To develop a greater awareness of the local environment, the successes and issues of, and to nurture a shared ownership of that.
- To experience, meet and share spaces with people from different cultures.