## **Carrick Academy Curriculum Rationale**

"It shall be the duty of the authority to secure that the education is directed to the development of the personality, talents and mental and physical abilities of the child or young person to their fullest potential." (Standards in Scotland's School Act 2000)

The purpose of our curriculum is to equip our young people with the knowledge, skills and attributes to become confident individuals who will take up their place in their local community and the wider world.

In Carrick Academy, our learners are at the centre of our decision making; we provide an inclusive education that benefits young people and meets their needs. We are ambitious for our young people; we encourage them to set targets and be aspirational for their future.

Our curriculum enables our young people to study a wide range of subjects. We work in partnership with our local community, Ayrshire College and local schools to offer a wide range of learning opportunities which enables progression in learning, personal achievement and the skills for work; opening up flexible learning pathways for our young people. We offer a wide range of additional opportunities for personal achievement which enables our young people to discover their talents and experience success. We promote a strong work ethic where young people are encouraged and supported to strive for and experience success in all that they do.

We prepare our young people to become independent learners and encourage them to develop the skills for learning, life and work so that they can make a positive contribution to their community and take up their place in the wider world.