



St Mary's C. of E. Primary School will raise the expertise of its staff and outcomes for pupils during the 2017/8 academic year through the following key areas:

- **Continue to Improve Teaching and Learning, with particular focus on Mathematics, so it is consistently good or better by:**
 - securing the use of assessment to inform planning of highly effective teaching strategies such as flexible grouping, focus group intervention and individual plans
 - ensuring that feedback is appropriate and effective in enabling pupils to understand successes and their next steps in their learning
 - matching work closely to the abilities of pupils so that learning is appropriately scaffolded; and so that all pupils are challenged and stretched successfully
 - ensuring that the curriculum, environment and resources promote high expectations and deep engagement
- **Accelerate the progress pupils (especially LAP and SEN) make across the school by:**
 - increasing aspirations, implementing improvements in the environment and curriculum provision
 - understanding and addressing the gender gap evident in mathematics; and the link between low attainment in Maths and Reading
 - understanding and addressing the specific barriers faced by vulnerable learners
 - ensuring accuracy, consistency and effective use of pupil assessments, with particular focus on mathematical understanding and skill application; EDS#Mastery
 - sustaining areas of good practice e.g. Storytelling, English across the curriculum; Learning behaviours
- **Continue to develop strengthen leadership by:**
 - strengthening the role and skills of subject leaders so that they are able to play an active and effective role in leading improvement across the school
 - ensuring all Governors are active in monitoring School Improvement
- **Governors will also:**
 - decide on Academy status for 2018
 - continue to give due consideration to the development of a teacher-led pre-school and year-round Nursery on our site