'11 by 11' Character Education

This curriculum is designed to promote outstanding personal development which will help form well-educated and rounded young people who have the confidence, skills and experience to continue their education at secondary level and beyond.

"11 by 11" is a cumulative range of opportunities, responsibilities and diverse experiences starting with "5 by the age of 5".

The learning is integral to our academic curriculum and actively promotes good behaviour and positive character traits, including courtesy, respect, truthfulness, courage and generosity as well as supporting our 5* qualities of:

Respect, Readiness, Hardworking, Resilience, Kindness

Reception

Every Caldecote pupil will:

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"5 by 5" by the age of 5 years each Reception pupil will:

- Visit a farm and meet live animals
- Plant something and watch it grow
- Make a sandwich for a picnic
- Climb to the top of something high e.g. the wall bars in the hall
- Post a letter at a post box

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"6 by 6" by the age of 6 years each Year 1 pupil will:

- Bake bread and eat it
- Use a drill and saw
- Go on a treasure hunt
- Create a piece of art for an exhibition
- Meet and hold an exotic pet or animal
- Build and light a fire

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"7 by 7" by the age of 7 years each Year 2 pupil will:

- Use sharp knives to cut and prepare food
- Take a trip to the seaside or some open water
- Prepare and serve a hot breakfast
- Buy something and check their change
- Make a film about the local area
- Pick wild fruit
- Learn and perform a Spanish song

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"8 by 8" by the age of 8 years each Year 3 pupil will:

- Write a letter to themselves about their hopes for the next four years
- Eat something they've not tried before
- Learn a new game
- Make a den
- Cook outdoors
- Make something out of wood
- Try yoga
- Dissect owl pellets

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"9 by 9" by the age of 9 years each Year 4 pupil will:

- Create a chemical reaction
- Write and perform a poem
- Use a device such as a tablet to document a performance
- Make a sculpture
- Climb a tree
- Explore somewhere new outside their local area
- Learn about a religion and visit their place of worship
- Make up their own game and teach it to someone else
- Stay away from home for a night

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"10 by 10" by the age of 10 years each Year 5 pupil will:

- Take part in a debate
- Make papier mache
- Use an OS map and go orienteering
- Do a blind folded taste test
- Write a story for Reception class
- Visit a science laboratory
- Write and orate a speech
- Learn how to knit
- Go camping
- Experience intolerance or what it is like to be a minority group

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"11 by 11" by the age of 11 years each Year 6 pupil will:

- Write and then read aloud a mystery story at twilight
- Send an email to an official body
- Vote in a school election
- Interview someone
- Find out about a local charity and how they can support them
- Design a product or business idea and pitch it to get it chosen for the £5 challenge
- Make a Mexican dessert and organise a tea party for their parents
- See the sun set
- Plan and go on a visit to a place in Cambridge using public transport
- Apply and commit to a job in school
- Keep a diary for a week