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Dear Parents and Carers

Our inclusive curriculum at The Barford and Bawburgh Federation has been designed to provide a broad and balanced curriculum that meets the needs of all children. We pride ourselves on an ambitious curriculum, which provides opportunities for children to develop as independent, confident and successful learners who have high aspirations. Our approach to teaching and learning, including our curriculum design, is underpinned by the following:

- Swellers Cognitive Load Theory.
- Rosenshine's 10 Principles of Instruction
- Fiorella & Mayer's Generative Learning.

As part of our monitoring process and evaluating of our curriculum impact, we made the decision to further enhance our curriculum offering for Science, History and Geography with CUSP (Curriculum with Unity Schools Partnership).

After much research and visits to other schools, we felt that the underlying principles of the CUSP curriculum complimented our current offering and our already embedded teaching and learning approaches.

CUSP is a curriculum underpinned by evidence, research and cognitive science. Units of work are deliberately sequenced to ensure progression and build on prior knowledge at every stage. A rich diet of language and vocabulary is carefully planned for, which enable children to explore connections to new and prior learning. Cumulative learning is broken down into small steps, being careful not to overload children with too much information, allowing time for them to think deeply and make meaningful connections.

We want all our children to enjoy learning and be ready for the next step in their educational journey. We feel that CUSP will not only improve outcomes for children but will also support our teachers to further develop their teaching methods and subject knowledge.

We implemented the CUSP curriculum across the federation in September and although it's still very new we wanted to share some photos of the children's work to show you how impressed we are with the learning.

If you have any questions please do talk to your child's class teacher.

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