



Ark**Curriculum+**

Curriculum, Mastery + Development



**English
Mastery**

At Secondary



**Mathematics
Mastery**

At Primary and Secondary

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Ark Curriculum Plus

Grown out of Ark, one of the **highest performing Multi Academy Trusts** in the UK, our team of **well-researched** and **highly skilled** educational designers and expert trainers guide teachers and their pupils towards subject mastery.

Our mission is to empower teachers to give every young person, regardless of their background, the subject knowledge and skills that will allow them to succeed.

Curriculum

We believe that great curriculum design and delivery leads to improved teaching and learner outcomes, which impacts positively on children's life chances.



Mastery

Evidence shows that pupils make more progress when they have been equipped to master a subject. They do this by understanding its fundamental concepts in sufficient depth so that they can apply subject knowledge in unfamiliar contexts.

Development

Our commitment is to empower and equip schools to provide high-quality subject teaching, through curriculum collaboration and integrated professional development, in order to develop young people's subject mastery.

Our connection with Ark gives us our experience and our specialist expertise, earned while we developed and taught subject curricula across our own network of 37 successful academies in the UK.

Our curriculum programmes have been proven to:

- Have a positive impact on pupil progress and attainment
- Deepen pupils' understanding of key concepts
- Engage pupils and increase their enjoyment of lessons
- Make more impactful use of teacher time
- Drive change and improve teaching.

Our partner schools and trusts are supported every step of the way. We believe in working *with* schools to enable systematic, long-term change to happen from within.

Through improved subject knowledge, pedagogic content knowledge, curriculum and lesson design and formative assessment, we enable teachers to make informed adaptations to ensure all lessons are right for the children in their particular class.

Our programmes are kept fresh with innovation and improvement as necessary, informed by evidence derived from world-leading educational research and feedback from our partner schools.



“ Since launching the programme, maths is now a key strength in our school. Visitors are blown away when they see the enthusiasm and engagement of pupils. Crucially, the emphasis on reasoning and language has raised the bar in other curriculum subjects. We now apply many of the principles elsewhere across the school. ”

Michelle Thomas, Executive Headteacher, The New Wave Foundation



“ The programme has enabled our teachers and leaders to put subject knowledge and passion back at the heart of what they do, allowing them to spend more time on teacher craft, differentiation and how best to deliver content to meet each child's needs. ”

Alison Enyon, English Mastery Partnership Lead, Oasis Community Learning



Our programmes: Mathematics Mastery

Available for EYFS and Key Stages 1, 2 and 3.

Established as an Ark Venture in 2012, Mathematics Mastery was founded by Dr Helen Drury – a pioneer of teaching and learning for mastery in UK schools.

Mathematics Mastery's mission is to enable all learners to enjoy and succeed in mathematics. We want learners to think about maths beyond what is tested in national examinations and to be equipped with an understanding of mathematics that will be relevant and useful in their future studies and/or in the world of work.

Our programme has been designed to provide learners with a deep conceptual understanding of mathematical principles, the ability to confidently communicate in precise mathematical language while becoming mathematical thinkers.



Our programmes: English Mastery

Available for Key Stage 3.

English Mastery was launched in 2014 with a mission to transform the way English is taught in UK classrooms.

We believe a rigorous, academically challenging and joyous education will close the attainment gap for all students. Our vision is that an English Mastery student will graduate from Key Stage 3 English with the academic and cultural literacy required to be educationally mobile, whatever their background.

We want English Mastery students to love reading books into adulthood, and share their love of books with others.



In development: Science, History & Geography Mastery

Coming in **Spring 2021** for Key Stages 1 and 2.

We also have other curriculum programmes deep in development. We believe strongly in subject integrity and ensuring our mastery programmes have the impact we expect. We therefore work with our Ark schools network to pilot new programmes and will release them more widely once the pilots have been completed.

To keep up to date with our forthcoming programmes, visit arkcurriculumplus.org.uk/our-programmes

What do our mastery programmes include?



Subject curriculum

A well-sequenced and interlinked curriculum that ensures students develop the skills they need to succeed.



Support and training

A wide range of professional development and training that develops in-house expertise, pedagogical understanding and classroom practice.



Fully adaptable lesson resources

A suite of flexible classroom resources including editable PowerPoint slides, activities and tasks to support learning.



Planning tools

Comprehensive support for delivering each unit including lesson overviews, key learning summaries and video tutorials.



Integrated assessment

Formative assessment is integrated throughout each programme, enabling teachers to assess depth of understanding and scaffold learning.

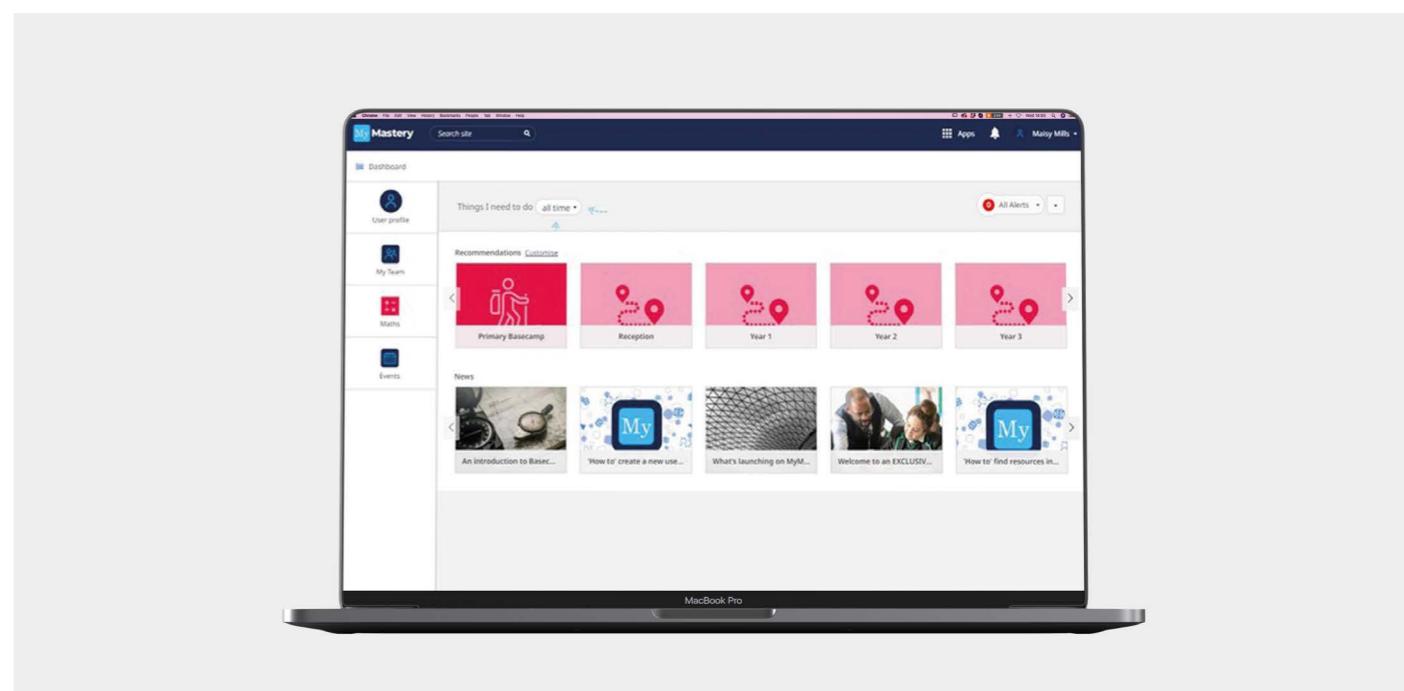


Intervention resources

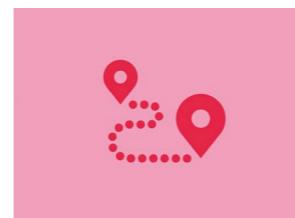
Intervention tasks provide opportunities to identify misconceptions and gaps in learning. Catch-up activities can then be used to consolidate understanding.



My Mastery



Our new MyMastery learning platform is at the heart of each mastery programme – offering easy ‘anytime, anywhere’ access to the full suite of content.



The content from each programme is divided into year group courses.



When getting ready to teach a key stage or year group, a **basecamp** shows you the journey students will go on and how you as a teacher will navigate the curriculum to best support them.



Within each course, the curriculum and lesson resources are split into easily accessible chunks of learning – these are called **staging posts**.

Each basecamp includes a range of resources to support delivery, including induction training, collaborative professional development and planning guidance, curriculum maps and intervention materials.

Our approach

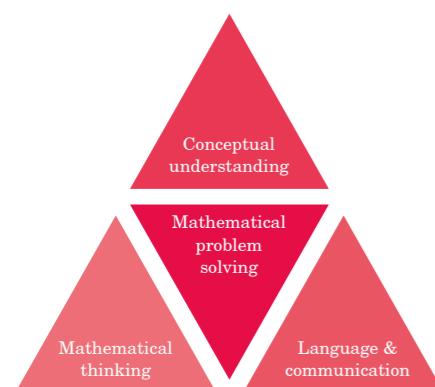
Mastery is an **impact-driven, knowledge- and disciplinary-rich approach** to curriculum, planning, assessment and professional development.

We believe:

- That every child can succeed, regardless of background
- That the teacher makes the difference
- In being informed by evidence and research
- In working in partnership with schools

Mathematics

Our Maths programmes are underpinned by the dimensions of depth – which together enable pupils to develop deep understanding of the subject.



English

In English, the four pedagogical pillars combine to drive pupil progress.

A cumulative, knowledge-rich curriculum develops students' ability in English.

Discrete grammar teaching improves precision and accuracy in students' writing.

Systematic instruction of tier 2 vocabulary closes the word and attainment gap.

Using standardised, norm-referenced student work improves accuracy in assessment.

Proven impact

Mathematics Mastery has been shown by EEF (the Education Endowment Foundation) to give pupils on average one months' additional progress after one year on the programme.

“ On average, pupils in schools adopting Mathematics Mastery made more progress than similar pupils in schools that did not adopt the programme. ”

EEF Report

Teachers in our partner school repeatedly tell us what a difference our programme is making.

“ The English Mastery programme does so much more than improve pupil outcomes. It is a key way to address the cultural capital deficit that our children experience. The programme prepares pupils for their future. ”

Becky Curtis, Principal, Ark Elvin Academy, Wembley

The Brilliant Club found that on average, English Mastery pupils make four months additional progress when compared to pupils not studying the programme.

“ It's very cool to see how students really get into the material. We're in a city school with some very difficult students and now they are engaged and having arguments about maths. ”

Tom Vinten, Deputy Head of Maths, Ark All Saints Academy



Visit arkcurriculumplus.org.uk/impact to hear more about the positive impact our programmes have had in schools just like yours

Now available in three flexible tiers

In line with our mission to make **improving life chances** accessible to all schools, we have now made our programmes available in three flexible packages: Mastery, Leadership and Tailored – offering different levels of support, depending on the requirements of each school.

This means that those schools who may not wish to take on the full face-to-face training model of the Tailored programme, can still deliver and embed a mastery approach with full curriculum and professional development – all delivered online via our MyMastery learning platform.

Multi Academy Trusts

We're already supporting a number of Multi Academy Trusts with our mastery programmes – helping them to drive school improvement and increase student attainment.

To discuss how we can produce a tailored solution to support your trust, contact partnerships@arkcurriculumplus.org.uk

Pricing

We are a non-profit organisation.

The schools that we work with are charged a financial contribution which goes towards delivering and developing the programmes. An outline of our pricing structure is below – but do get in touch to receive a quote for your specific setting.

	Mastery	Leadership	Tailored
Mathematics Mastery Primary	From £1,350* per Key Stage	From £4,000*	From £6,500*
Mathematics Mastery Secondary	From £2,000	From £4,500	From £7,000
English Mastery Secondary	From £2,000	From £4,500	From £7,000

* Discounts are available for small schools.

For full details of the support included in each programme package, visit arkcurriculumplus.org.uk/join-us



Choose the package that's right for your school

Our friendly partnerships team will be happy to talk you through the programmes and help you decide on the right approach and package for your school.

To book a demo, or sign up for a free trial, contact us on:

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