

Promoting Fundamental British Values



In accordance with The Department for Education we aim to actively promote British values in schools to ensure young people leave school prepared for life in modern Britain. Pupils are encouraged to regard people of all faiths, races and cultures with respect and tolerance and understand that while different people may hold different views about what is 'right' and 'wrong', all people living in Great Britain are subject to its law.

The Key Values are:

- democracy
- rule of law
- individual liberty
- mutual respect
- tolerance of those of different faiths and beliefs

These values are consistently promoted and reinforced in school:

Our RE curriculum ensures that children learn about a range of different faiths, as we believe that knowledge and understanding of different faiths and cultures promotes tolerance and respect. We aim to enhance this learning and make it relevant in our local context through regular visits to local places of worship. We hope that by providing these opportunities to the children, it helps them to understand more about different cultures and beliefs in our local area, thereby building tolerance as well as forging valuable community links.

British values form a core element of our PSHE curriculum, which offers children the opportunity to deepen their understanding of, discuss and reflect on these throughout their time in school. Furthermore, British values assemblies form an integral part of our weekly whole school assembly schedule, with explicit links between our own Captain Cook core virtues and British values highlighted.

Posters are displayed in all classrooms as a reminder to the children. The hand representation of the five values is taught as an aide memoire to the children, with each digit representing one British value.

Most crucially, throughout the children's time at school, we offer them numerous chances to put these key values into practice at every opportunity, with the aim that by the time they leave us, they are embedded and will remain instilled in them as the future citizens of modern Britain.

