

British Values at Church Walk C. E. Primary School

At Church Walk C. E. Primary School we uphold and teach pupils about British Values which are defined as:

- democracy
- rule of law
- individual liberty
- mutual respect
- tolerance of those of different faiths and beliefs (and those of no faith)

These values are taught explicitly through Personal, Social, Health and Emotional (PSHE), and Religious Education (RE). We also teach British Values through planning and delivering a broad and balanced curriculum. We have achieved the following external accreditations which demonstrate evidence of our commitment to British Values:

- School Inspection of Anglican and Methodist Schools (SIAMS) grade of 'Good' (September 2011)
- UNICEF Rights Respecting Schools Award Level 1 (June 2015)

The school takes opportunities to actively promote British Values through daily collective worship and whole school systems and structures such as electing and running a School Council. We also actively promote British values through ensuring that our curriculum planning and delivery includes opportunities for exploring these values.

At Church Walk C. E. Primary School, these values are reinforced regularly and in the following ways:

Democracy:

Democracy is an important value at our school. Pupils have the opportunity to have their voices heard through the School Council. The election of members takes place annually and based on pupil votes.

The Rule of Law:

The importance of laws and rules, whether they are those that govern the class, the school or the country, are consistently reinforced throughout regular school days.

Pupils are taught the value and reasons behind laws, that they govern and protect us, the responsibilities that this involves and the consequences when laws are broken.

To encourage and promote good behaviour, attitude and work, we have devised a reward system which is consistently followed throughout the school.

We are committed to praising children's efforts. We endeavour to praise the children informally, individually, during group work, in front of the whole class and the whole school. Children are rewarded not only for achievement in curriculum areas, but for behaviour and general adherence to our Whole School Behaviour policy.

Rewards are given in the form of stickers, team points, certificates and badges. Children's achievements are also recognised during Award Assemblies on Fridays

Individual Liberty :

Pupils are actively encouraged to make choices at our school, knowing that they are in a safe and supportive environment. As a school we provide boundaries for our children to make choices safely, through the provision of a safe environment and planned curriculum. Pupils are encouraged to know, understand and exercise their rights and personal freedoms and are advised how to exercise these safely, for example through our e-Safety teaching. Pupils are given the freedom to make choices, e.g. signing up for extra-curricular clubs.

Mutual Respect:

Our school ethos is based on Christian values such as 'respect' and 'responsibility' and these values determine how we live as a community at Church Walk C .E Primary School. Collective Worship is based on 'Christian Values for Life' which are central to how we expect everyone to go about their life at our school.

Tolerance of Those of Different Faiths and Beliefs (and Those of No Faith):

This is achieved through enhancing pupils' understanding of their place in a culturally diverse society and by giving them opportunities to experience such diversity in our local community which is by large white British. Collective Worship and discussions involving prejudices and prejudice-based bullying have been followed and supported by learning in RE and PSHE. We use curricular opportunities to explore life in other areas of the world