



ALL SAINTS CE (AIDED) PRIMARY SCHOOL AND NURSERY

BRITISH VALUES

The fundamental British Values defined by the DFE are:

- **Democracy**
- **The Rule of Law**
- **Individual Liberty**
- **Mutual Respect**
- **Tolerance of those of Different Faiths and Beliefs**

At All Saints, we believe that it is important that these British values permeate everyday life in our school from electing school councillors to the curriculum. We have a duty to prepare our children for life in modern Britain and keep them safe.

In history we look at key figures and events that have created our country from Stone Age to present day. In geography we become more familiar with our city, region and country and think about our place in the world and the responsibilities we have as a nation.

Democracy

Pupil voice plays a big part in the life of All Saints. Our pupil elected School Council play a strong role in the school, including discussing issues and concerns with their class and taking these to school council meetings, where actions are decided. An example of this was when pupils felt that there was not enough play equipment on the playground at lunchtimes. The school council raised funds so that they could order new playground equipment. Pupil questionnaires and interviews also take place on a variety of subjects throughout the year and opinions contribute to the development of the curriculum and the way in which we teach it. Our school Behaviour and Anti-bullying Policy involves both rewards and sanctions which the pupils understand.

The Rule of Law

The importance of laws, whether in the form of rules that govern the class, the school or the country, are consistently reinforced as being set for the good of the majority. We teach children that rules are there to keep us safe and, if broken, there are consequences as specified in the school Behaviour and Anti-bullying Policy. Our school values guide us to make the right choice and our Golden Rules make this explicit. Visits from authorities such as the community police help to reinforce our message.

Individual Liberty

At All Saints, we work hard to support children in being confident to make their own choices within a safe environment. Within lessons children often have a choice of approaches and materials to enhance their learning. They are able to choose from the many clubs we offer according to their own interests. Through our e-safety teaching, Collective Worship and PHSE lessons, pupils are encouraged to know, understand and exercise their rights and personal freedoms.

Mutual Respect

Our school Behaviour and Anti-bullying Policy promotes the value of mutual respect, whatever beliefs, abilities or ethnic background of other people. This is reiterated throughout the day in terms of the way we speak to each other politely and listen with respect. To break down barriers we invite guests into the school e.g. people with a different faith. In Collective Worship, we look at difficult themes such as racial injustice in history, attitudes towards women in history and cultures and how what we say can have a serious impact on the feelings of others.

Tolerance of those of Different Faiths and Beliefs

As a school we believe that tolerance is borne out of knowledge so our curriculum is vital to developing tolerance. Religious Education is taught through the Discovery Scheme and there is an emphasis on learning about the different religions in Britain; practices, beliefs, religious artefacts and places of worship so that we understand what is important to others.