



British Values at St. Benedict's

Curriculum Intent

The spiritual, moral, cultural and social development of all pupils is crucial to us at St Benedict's. We foster this through promoting both 'Christian Gospel Values' and 'British Values.' In accordance with The Department for Education, we aim to actively promote British Values within our school to ensure that children leave school fully prepared for a life in modern Britain. We intend to encourage children to regard people of all faiths, cultures and races with tolerance and respect. We want children to understand that within our society, people hold different views, but they are all subject to the same law. Our policies, daily procedures are underpinned by both Christian and British Values.

Curriculum Implementation

British Values are implemented through the daily life of the school and through various aspects of the curriculum. Through Harvest Festival, Remembrance Assembly and Anti Bullying Week, children learn about mutual respect of others. Other Faiths Week, which is part of our 'Come and See' programme, allows all pupils to develop tolerance and respect for those with other faiths and beliefs. Each year pupils learn about Islam and Judaism, developing a deeper understanding of those faiths. All our children enjoy learning another language and have weekly Spanish lessons, giving them experience of another European culture. Our school House system encourages pupils to understand values such as Individual Liberty and Rules of Law. School council elections give children direct experience of Democracy.

British Values are also promoted through the curriculum. For example in Y2, children are taught about Nelson Mandela. They explore Individual Liberty and Mutual Respect through this topic. In Y6, pupils study 'The Highwayman' where they examine themes surrounding Rule of Law.

The 5 Key values are:

- Rule of Law
- Mutual Respect
- Individual Liberty
- Tolerance and Respect of those from different religions and cultures
- Democracy

Curriculum Impact

Children understand the aspects that underpin both Christian life and British Society. All pupils will develop the ability to understand 'right' from 'wrong'. They understand Democracy, Rule of Law, Individual Liberty, Mutual Respect and Tolerance of those with other Faiths and Beliefs. Pupils will show traits, which are central to gospel values, such as compassion, love, responsibility and forgiveness. They will grow up to become proud British Citizens. Pupils will have an understanding of how society works and the rights and responsibilities involved.