

Nutfield Church (CE) Primary School



Celebrating British Values - Preparing our Children for Life in Modern Britain

At Nutfield Church CE Primary School, we uphold and teach our pupils British Values as directed under the Ofsted Guidance published in September 2014. We take our responsibility to prepare children for life in modern, multicultural Britain very seriously. We ensure that the fundamental British values are introduced, discussed and lived out through the ethos and work of the school.

All curriculum areas provide a vehicle for furthering understanding of these concepts and in particular, our R.E, SMSC and Philosophy for Children (P4C) lessons, provide excellent opportunities to deepen and develop understanding. Children embrace concepts of Mutual Respect, Tolerance of different faiths and beliefs, Democracy, The Rule of Law and Individual Liberty, with pride and we continuously encourage them to demonstrate a good understanding of the application of these to their own lives. We further promote these values across our broad and balanced curriculum through our own school values:

Community and Peace

Wisdom and Hope

Dignity and Joy

Examples of the understanding and knowledge our pupils learn include:

- an understanding of how citizens can influence decision-making through the democratic process
- an understanding that the freedom to hold other faiths and beliefs is protected in law
- an acceptance that people having different faiths or beliefs to oneself (or having none) should be accepted and tolerated, and should not be the cause of prejudicial or discriminatory behaviour
- an understanding of the importance of identifying and combatting discrimination

British Value	Statement
Mutual Respect Tolerance of different faiths and beliefs	One of our six school values is Community, which we celebrate at the beginning of the school year. Our community is seen as ranging from our school, to our village, to our nation and across the wider world. Our pupils are actively encouraged to welcome those from different places in the world. We actively promote love and acceptance of others' beliefs. We pay explicit attention to the development of our own pupils' beliefs and teach them to understand that others may have differing ideas and beliefs to their own which are equally valid. Our Peace Makers' Charter states 'At Nutfield Church we are all different and we like it that way.' Community is taught as part of our R.E, P4C and SMSC curriculum. It is explicitly referred to in all that we do as a surprisingly culturally diverse school.
Democracy	The children at Nutfield Church Primary see Democracy borne out in a whole variety of ways through School Council, Faith and Eco Team and Peer Mediators. We see this as being an essential component of successful collaboration. Democracy is a concept which the children meet when discussing community, peace and dignity. Our Philosophy lessons offer opportunities to discuss fairness, equality and democratic process and

	develop the skills of deeper thinking. Specific teaching of Democracy can be seen in our PSHE curriculum.
Rule of Law	Our children are familiar with the concept of the rule of law through P4C sessions which infuse the entire work of our school. They are familiar with the concept through the discussion of values and in R.E lessons, the idea that different religions have guiding principles. Children are used to debating and discussing laws/rules.
Individual Liberty	Our values-based discussions and acts of worship begin with discussion about the self, e.g. self-respect and self-worth so that children see that they are important in their own right. The philosophy of our teaching and learning places emphasis on the right to have our own thoughts and views. Pupil Voice is promoted through School Council, the Anti-Bullying Partnership and is led by key subject leaders. Our pupils know they can talk about their own needs and our families support us in this very well. Children are strongly encouraged to develop independence in learning.