

IQ1: How does the school's theologically rooted Christian vision enable pupils and adults to flourish ?

Kirk Langley Church of England Primary School:

In our Church of England Primary School, we are guided by our theologically rooted Christian vision that all can shine. Our vision helps promote and encourage both pupils and adults to flourish academically, socially, emotionally and spiritually. Our vision is inspired by biblical teachings that emphasise values of hope, dignity, wisdom and community and these values shape our ethos and daily practices. Flourishing in God's light is living in truth, love and purpose.

Our values support this inclusive gathering to enable all participants to feel a sense of collaboration, belonging and recognition of self-worth through knowing their thoughts, feelings and opinions are valued.

Hope (Salvation)

Dignity (Incarnation)

Wisdom (Creation)

Community (Love)

Key ways our vision supports flourishing:

1. Moral and ethical foundation:

The Christian vision emphasises our principles of justice, the rule of law, tolerance, honesty, kindness and forgiveness. These are embedded in our daily life at school. They help promote positive relationship, resilience and empathy. These principles create a supportive environment where pupils and staff feel safe and valued. Our safeguarding policies and practice have clear protocols for identifying and addressing concerns with staff appropriately trained.

2. Inclusive environment:

Rooted in the belief that all individuals are made in the image of God our school emphasises inclusivity and we celebrate diversity. This encourages pupils and staff of all faiths or non to thrive without fear or discrimination. Anti-Bullying policies are effective in developing strategies to address and action inappropriate choices. Our Positive Play promotes a culture of kindness and respect. Our SEND policies and practice support inclusion and promote our vision that all pupils can shine.

3. Character development:

Through positive play and continued development we aim to nurture perseverance and that we can all shine our light in innumerable ways. Our curriculum promotes moral and spiritual growth. Pupils and adults reinforce positive choices through Golden Acts of Collective Worship. Celebrating kindness, integrity, personal achievements and moral behaviour is built in to the school day. We provide opportunities to reflect on experiences, feelings and beliefs. Encouraging children to ask 'big questions' about life, and their place in the world provides a basis for decision making, reasoning and considering different perspectives as well as reflecting on the consequences of their choices.

4. Academic excellence:

Our Christian vision encourages a growth mindset, fostering curiosity, creativity and reaching our potential. Both pupils and adults are empowered to develop their full potential, knowing they are actively supported. Providing times within each school day to gain individual support and feedback creates confident learners who will become leaders in their journey. Asking questions and searching for solutions builds resilience and enables both pupils and adults to flourish in that they feel valued.

5. Well-Being and Mental Health:

The emphasis on compassion and care extends to mental health awareness and support. We understand the need to provide pastoral systems that help pupils and staff manage challenges, fostering resilience and self-worth. Dedicated staff are available to offer emotional and spiritual guidance. Our Personal Social Health Education supports growth mindset, keeping safe online and child-friendly policies to support Anti-Bullying and Safeguarding. Our School Councillors and ECO Councillors also play an active role each academic year to promote a strong sense of well-being.

6. Community and Social Responsibility:

Inspired by Jesus's teachings and love, we encourage pupils to engage with the community and to be positive role models in society. Regular gatherings promote reflection, prayer, celebration, belonging and shared values.

By combining these elements our theologically rooted Christian vision ensures that all members of the school community are supported in their personal growth, equipping them with the skills, values and confidence to thrive in a wider society.

Isaiah 40:31

"But those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary; they will walk and not be faint."

John 8:12

"I am the light of the world."

