



Kirk Langley Church of England Primary School

British Values

‘A school where every child can shine.’

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Kirk Langley is a Church of England Primary School and our family believe that 'Every Child Can Shine.' Our visions and values, built on the living Gospel of Christ within daily life, are at the core of everything we do. They underpin our teaching and learning and provide an environment which prepares our pupils in being respectful, confident, thriving citizens.

Daniel 12:3

'Those who have insight will shine brightly like the brightness of the expanse of heaven, and those who lead the many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever.'

We aim to provide a thriving, inspiring and stimulating learning environment where children achieve the very best they are capable of because all the staff value their different learning styles. Kirk Langley Church of England Primary School is committed to Christian values where children, parents/carers and our community know us by our actions.

Within a Christian ethos we aim to:

- Promote a positive attitude to life-long learning, nurturing the development of self-esteem; leading to aspirational, independent learners that are prepared to be challenged and take risks in a diverse and ever changing world.
- Provide the children with valuable experiences and opportunities, through a broad, balanced and exciting curriculum, where learning is purposeful and engaging.
- Use a variety of teaching strategies and resources effectively and creatively; encouraging each child to progress and attain to the highest possible standards, in relation to their age and ability.
- Strongly believe in the partnership of parental involvement in the education of our pupils.
- Demonstrate and foster respect for ourselves and others within the school, local community and the global community.
- Respect the belief of others and celebrate cultural diversity.
- Encourage spiritual and moral values.
- Explicitly promote the fundamental British values of democracy, the rule of law, individual liberty and mutual respect and tolerance of those with different faiths and beliefs through a 'living' curriculum.
- Value each child as an individual within the school and respect personal beliefs.

Fundamental British Values

Throughout our curriculum and ethos, we aim to promote fundamental British Values within all aspects of Kirk Langley Church of England (VC) Primary School. We expect individuals associated with our school to adhere and respect these values which unite us all whatever faith, ethnicity, culture or beliefs.

In 2013 the Department for Education stated: *“Keeping our children safe and ensuring schools prepare them for life in modern Britain could not be more important. The vast majority of schools already promote British values. This is about making sure we have the tools we need to intervene if children are being let down. Schools are required to actively promote and not undermine British Values.”*

The Government emphasises that schools are required to ensure that key ‘British Values’ are taught in all UK schools. The Government set out its definition of British values in the ‘Prevent Strategy’ – values of:

- Democracy
- Rule of law
- Individual liberty
- Mutual respect
- Tolerance of those of different faiths and beliefs

We uphold the values of tolerance, equality, respect, co-operation, responsibility, compassion and democracy.

There are times when our taught curriculum cover these values as themes but we also make the most out of other opportunities that present themselves locally, nationally or globally. The way in which these are taught are appropriate to the stages of development of the children.

Through Religious Education, Geography, History and Personal Social and Health curriculum we are able to make real links between the values of our pupils and the lives of others in their community, country and the world in general. Through our Creative Curriculum we teach about democracy, civic responsibility, rules and laws, the monarchy, equality, values and virtues, environmental awareness and understanding of other faiths.

Our school embeds these values through:

- Collective Worship
- RE
- Whole school themed learning days
- Broad and balanced National Curriculum 2014 delivery
- School council/Change Agents Council
- Positive behaviours
- Guidance and support when dealing with inappropriate behaviour
- Charity work
- Celebrating different faiths and cultures
- Enrichment Planning for varied experiences
- Sports day/Physical education
- School fairs and community events
- Eco-schools
- Appreciation of rules and laws to protect people
- We teach the children about decision making through democratic process

We have high aspirations for all of our children regardless of backgrounds, individual skills and talents. We believe that children can contribute positively to their own lives as a child and in the future as a responsible, confident and skilled learner with a desire to play an active role in society.

SIAMS 2019:

The Christian vision of inclusion and aspiration shines brightly in this small church school. Leaders have achieved much in a short time as they strive to illuminate each star to shine uniquely.