



What are British Values?

What are they in school?



British Values

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

Democracy (Having Your Say)

- In Britain (England) we elect councillors who work in local Councils. We also elect MP's who work in the Houses of Parliament.
- It is their job to represent us and ensure where we live, work and visit is safe and secure. They also try and improve life for all of us.
- In school governors are elected to do a similar job, just for our school.
- We also elect school councillors who represent you and your ideas; so these can be put to the senior leaders of the school.
- Your School Council is responsible for many improvements.

Liberty (Freedom and Rights)

- In Britain, there are laws to protect people's freedom. You are free to follow different religions, have your own ideas, protest about things you don't believe is right. There are also laws which make us have equal rights (**EQUALITY**). People should be treated the same way whatever they look like, believe in, if they are male or female or if they have a disability.
- In school we believe that all children have the right to learn and be the best they can possibly be. We have encouraged you to think about your rights in our 'code of conduct' around school.

Law (Rules and Responsibilities)

- As discussed earlier, there are laws in Britain which are based on Liberty (people's freedom, rights and safety). When these laws are broken and people's freedoms, rights and safety are affected – the law is used to bring the law breakers to justice and punishments are given.
- In school we have rules to protect pupils in the same way. We try to reward children for doing the right thing through house-points but we also deal with children who break rules through sanctions – for example missing playtimes. You had a say in these sanctions when you discussed your code of conducts.

Respect and Tolerance

- In Britain we understand that people need to respect others' beliefs and to try and understand different points of view even when we don't agree. We also encourage the freedom for people to follow whatever faith they believe in.
- In school we educate you about different religious faiths. We also encourage you to think about different points of view. We think that if you learn to **empathise** and **understand** others, this will help you to respect other people at all times.

Rights Respecting School



Last year we achieved a Level 1 award for being a Rights Respecting School. This was a great achievement.

The Unicef children's rights are:

- The right to a childhood (including protection from harm)
- The right to be educated (including all girls and boys completing primary school)
- The right to be healthy (including having clean water, nutritious food and medical care)
- The right to be treated fairly (which includes changing laws and practices that discriminate against children)
- The right to be heard (which includes considering children's views)

It also means that we are a school that understands these values.

Our School Values

- I would like us to really think about our own school values over the next term or so.
- I would like you to decide what our values are and how we should communicate these in school.

Remembrance

- It is these values which Britain has fought to uphold through many disputes over the last century.
- Remembrance day is a day where we pay our respects to the sacrifice of our armed forces have made to uphold these values.