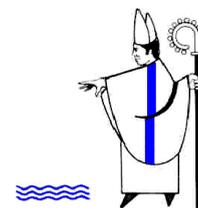


St. Paulinus Catholic Primary School

Inspiring all to live, learn and love in the light of Jesus.

(I am the light of the world; whoever follows me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life." John 8:12)



PROMOTING BRITISH VALUES AT ST. PAULINUS



The DfE have recently reinforced the need “to create and enforce a clear and rigorous expectation on all schools to 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.”

The Government set out its definition of British values in the 2011 Prevent Strategy, and these values have been reiterated this year (2015). At St. Paulinus these values are reinforced regularly and in the following ways:

Democracy

Each year the children decide upon their class code of conduct and the rights associated with these. All the children contribute to the drawing up of the code.

We have a pupil council which meets every month with a staff representative to discuss issues raised in class meetings. The council has its own budget. Every child on the student council is voted in by their class.

Children have an annual questionnaire where they are able to put forward their views about the school.

The Rule of Law

The importance of laws, whether they are those that govern the class, the school, or the country, is consistently reinforced at school.

Pupils are taught from an early age the difference between right and wrong, and how to respect and treat their class and school friends, along with the rules of the school. Pupils are taught the value and reasons behind rules and laws, that they govern and protect us, the responsibilities that this involves and the consequences when laws are broken. Visits from authorities such as the Police and Fire Service help reinforce this message.

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“Pupils’ spiritual development is outstanding.” OFSTED May 2012

Individual Liberty

Pupils are actively encouraged to make choices, knowing that they are in a safe and supportive environment. As a school we educate and provide boundaries for young pupils to make informed choices, through a safe environment and an empowering education. Pupils are encouraged to know, understand and exercise their rights and personal freedoms and advised how to exercise these safely, for example through our R.E. scheme 'The Way, The Truth and The Life', our eSafety and PSHE lessons.

Mutual Respect

Mutual respect is at the heart of our values. Children learn that their behaviours have an effect on their own rights and those of others. All members of the school community treat each other with respect.

Tolerance of those of Different Faiths and Beliefs

St. Paulinus is a diverse school. We actively promote diversity through our celebrations of different faiths and cultures. Religious Education lessons and PSHE lessons reinforce messages of tolerance, love and justice.

We also teach children about difference cultures through topic work sessions, the French language and France and embracing pupils who have enrolled with us from a different culture or country.