

Vibrant citizens
Articulate communicators
Learning enthusiasts
Unsurpassed contributors
Exceptional thinkers
Successful learners

In order to gain the best outcomes for our pupils we have been researching ways to support them further. We have decided to follow a Values based Education. Research shows that this makes children feel more confident and more prepared for the wider world. Below is a brief overview:

Introduction

Values-based Education (VbE) is an approach to teaching and learning which can have a profound impact on student achievement, well-being and other outcomes in all types of school and other settings. It helps schools to develop a learning environment centred around values that supports self-awareness, self-motivation, mature social competencies and greater school cohesion.

Overview

VbE is an approach more about how you teach than what you teach. It is not a programme to be implemented in just part of the curriculum but a philosophy which permeates all of school life. Many of the key points are relatively simple. All adults in the school and beyond model behaviour. Students adapt their behaviour to the behaviour they see. The adults are only able to behave in ways that are authentic to them. In order to implement VbE effectively, adults need to understand the fundamental aspects of VbE and why these are so important. Its connections with neuroscience, and how that impacts teaching methods; and the way students interact with each other and with staff.

We embed our Values across the school in number of ways such as Value assemblies, talking about the Value across all lessons, praising children who demonstrate the Value, Values displays in each classroom and a Value certificate for one member of each class in each assembly. Each class chooses a Values champion each half term. The Values champions across the school look out for children demonstrating the chosen value that week and nominate them for our Values champion award. This is then awarded in our celebration assembly at the end of the week.

Our School Values are:

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Spring 1	Summer 2
Year 1	Respect	Courage	Determination	Thoughtfulness	Pride	Self-Belief
Year 2	Empathy	Teamwork	Curiosity	Perseverance	Responsibility	Aspirations
Year 3	Resilience	Tolerance	Fairness	Independence	Trust	Reflect

The British values of Democracy, Rule of Law, Liberty, Respect, Tolerance and Responsibility are covered and taught through our values based education.