

British Values at Wyke Regis Primary Federation



The DfE 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, mutual respect and tolerance of those with different faiths and beliefs.” Throughout our ethos and curriculum we promote, teach and reinforce these fundamental British values, appropriate to the stages of development of the children, in the following ways:

Mutual Respect

Our federation ethos and positive behaviour policy is based on mutual respect;
It is one of the Christian values explored through Collective Worship;
Respect is part of our class and federation charters;
All adults in the school model respectful behaviour towards each other and all children;
Special events linked to Anti-bullying week and RRS are celebrated across the federation;

Democracy

Children are involved in democratic processes, e.g. voting for school councillors
Class charters are developed by each class based on shared decisions about how children want their class to be;
Children participate in a variety of groups and teams based on shared values;
During circle time all children are given opportunities to express their viewpoints;
Children have the opportunity to talk about their learning and are asked for their views with regard to their own targets and curriculum choices for example; School Council
They are also involved in developing the school behaviour systems such as the sanction & rewards;

The Rule of Law

Children are taught the value and reasons behind laws, that govern and protect us through the school behaviour policy and systems;
They learn about rights and responsibilities and the consequences when laws (rules/class charters) are broken;
Regular visits from and to authorities such as the police and fire service take place across the age range and *provide a wider context to the rules that govern us (including E-safety)*

Individual Liberty

Children in our federation understand that they should feel proud of all the communities to which they belong;
Children feel safe and secure in the knowledge that are encouraged to make informed choices as citizens of the Wyke Regis Federation;
RRS, PSHE (including SRE) & E-Safety promote children’s understanding about their rights and their responsibilities to each other;
Playground leaders, class monitors & helping hands provided opportunities for children to exercise their choices to act as good citizens;
Children are actively encouraged to discuss their learning and make some choices about how and what they learn and play;

Tolerance

At Wyke Regis Primary Federation we teach children to value diversity in our community, and in our country;
We celebrate the things that make us the same yet different from each other;
Children are taught to share and take turns, listen to each other and understand that people have different ideas and practices that we should respect;
Through Collective Worship, RE and PSHE we teach tolerance and respect for different cultures and beliefs;
Members of different faiths or religions in the local community and beyond are invited into school;
Festivals from our own culture and from others are celebrated as part of the curriculum;
Our Kenyan school link work teaches our children about the culture and beliefs of people from another country.
Children are taught that they should expect others to tolerate and respect their beliefs too, and that some views might be extreme