

St Joan of Arc Catholic School



Statement of British Values

At St Joan of Arc we are committed to serving our local community and surrounding areas. We encourage pupils to regard people of all faiths, races and cultures with respect and tolerance. We understand the crucial role we play in promoting British values.

Democracy

- Children are involved in democratic processes (e.g. elections to the school council)
- Cycle of school visits to the Houses of Parliament and links with our local MP (The Leader of the Opposition)
- School Assemblies on major political events (e.g. General Elections)
- We commemorate special dates of national significance (e.g. Remembrance Day)

Individual Liberty

- Children have key roles and responsibilities across the school (e.g. assembly and class monitors)
- Children are actively encouraged to make choices, and to develop as independent learners
- Extra-curricular clubs and activities give children the opportunities to develop and choose their own interests

The Rule of Law

- Our behaviour policy and class rules emphasise the importance of following agreed codes of conduct
- Links with our local police (PCSO) and fire service
- Links with outside agencies such as Transport for London and The Ben Kinsella Trust
- Curriculum programmes (e.g. Cycling Proficiency, E-Safety) reinforce the importance of following rules

Mutual Respect

- Our school behaviour policy and mission statement embody values of mutual respect
- Sports activities promote an attitude of equality and fairness
- Links with schools overseas illustrate different experiences for children around the world
- Links with agencies such as 'Show Racism the Red Card' & Anti-Bullying Alliance

Tolerance of different faiths and beliefs

- Our RE curriculum and collective worship is centred upon celebrating Christian values
- Other faiths (e.g. Islam, Judaism, Hinduism) are also taught within the RE curriculum
- Curriculum programmes give pupils opportunities to learn about culture and society in different countries
- Local inter-school activities give pupils the opportunity to interact with children of other faiths (and none)