

Preparing Children for Life in Modern Britain

At St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School, we have a broad and balanced curriculum that offers British Values:

British Value	Statement	Evidence	Impact
Mutual Respect and the Tolerance of those with different Faiths and Beliefs	We pride ourselves on being a 'Happy, Christian School, where everyone cares and everyone tries their best'. Respect is a fundamental school value which is taught and encouraged on a day to day basis. We are a school guided by the Gospel Values of love, faith and friendship. Through RE lessons and Collective Worship, children are taught to understand and respect different faiths and beliefs.	Records of RE lessons and Collective Worship RE curriculum, planning and workbooks.	Throughout school there is a mutual respect between staff and pupils. Children's behaviour reflects their understanding of this fundamental value. The many visitors to St. Joseph's school often comment about the calm and caring atmosphere and ethos of our school. Children have knowledge of different faiths and religions and respect their beliefs. We received Outstanding in our 2014 RE Inspection by Liverpool Archdiocese.
Democracy	Democracy is an important value at St Joseph's. The views and opinions of all our pupils are valued highly. Children are taught and shown that democracy is an integral part of successful team work. Our school council and Eco council are opportunities for the elected children to voice the opinion of their peers and make a difference.	The establishment of a new School Council every year. The establishment of a new Eco Council every year.	Children are able to work successfully in pairs, groups and as a whole class. They are able to respect the views of others. Children are able to work well as a team in a classroom environment and out of school in extra-curricular activities and sport.
Rule of Law	The children are taught the difference between right and wrong throughout their school life. Through RE lessons they are taught different values. As a school we promote a positive approach to behaviour management and encourage everyone to make the right choices. The children are familiar with local law enforcement through regular visits from our Community Support Officers Fire Service.	Class and School Rules. Collective Worship in class and as a whole school. School Council Meetings. RE planning and workbooks.	Children are able to articulate how and why we need to behave in school. Children's behaviour in school reflects this and was recently observed as 'Outstanding' in our 2013 Ofsted Inspection. Children are aware of the need for laws and their responsibility to abide by these laws.
Individual Liberty	As a school we aim to encourage the gifts and talents of every child and ensure that every child reaches their full potential. Children are strongly encouraged to be independent in their learning from an early age. Through Collective Worship and RE children are encouraged to develop self-respect and self-confidence. We guide children to make the best choices and extend this to show consideration for their family, friends and the rest of the school community.	Collective Worship RE planning and workbooks.	Children are able to show independence in their learning and are capable of making the right choices. Children are aware of their right to have their own thoughts and opinions. All children know they have a right to be heard in school.