

St James' Blackburn Church of England Commitment to British Values

St James' Blackburn Church of England Primary School is committed to promoting the fundamental British values of democracy, the rule of law, individual liberty, mutual respect and tolerance of those with different faiths and beliefs. This is done through an emphasis on the Spiritual, Moral, Social and Cultural development of pupils.

What do we do to promote the Spiritual development of all pupils?

- School values are shared, displayed and encouraged on a daily basis – both during collective worship and in and around school
- Star of the Week celebrations – children are rewarded with certificates for demonstrating the values of the week
- St. James' prayer – created and led by children, displayed in all classrooms and around school
- Lunch and home time prayers shared and displayed in every classroom
- PSHE and circle time provide opportunities for reflection and spiritual development along with pupils' emotional development
- Religious Education lessons enable children to learn About and from religion
- Daily collective worship to share and reflect on the Christian faith and other faiths
- Visits to places of worship, e.g. mosques/churches to develop a deeper understanding of the principles and beliefs of other religions.
- Celebrate a diverse range of religious festivals, e.g. Hajj, Diwali, Christmas to develop a deeper understanding of the principles and beliefs of other religions.
- Immediate response to worldly affairs e.g. Manchester Attack
- Commemorate worldly events such as World War 1 Centenary
- Each class has their own reflection areas where children can spend time 'thinking'

What do we do to promote the Moral development of all pupils?

- A broad range of cross-curricular opportunities to learn about and respect the values/opinions of others
- Emphasise the school's Behaviour policy to encourage pupils to take personal responsibility for their own behaviour and understand the consequence of behavioural choices
- Develop an awareness of the needs of others through contributions to a range of charities e.g. funding water pumps in Bangladesh, Foodbank donations
- Encourage pupils to self-regulate their behaviour both inside and outside of school, e.g. play/lunch times
- Pupil Voice, e.g. School Council, Worship Council, Online- Safety Champions and pupil roles and responsibilities

What do we do to promote the Cultural values of all pupils?

- Cross-curricular opportunities, e.g. Election Week / World Cup
- Commemoration of cultural/religious festivals – British Values Day, Chinese New Year, Diwali, Eid and Christmas
- Extra-curricular opportunities such as sports clubs , educational visits, dance festival, singing performances
- Curricular focus to learn about world cultures e.g. Africa, Greece, Egypt, Arabic and address assumptions about stereotypes e.g. race/religion
- Educational visits
- Collective worship to address a range of cultural issues
- Celebrating historical events and learning why they are important to British history.

What do we do to promote the Social development of all pupils?

- Use of a range of strategies, e.g. talking partners/ Kagan Structures
- Pupils' roles and responsibilities e.g. buddy system, prefects, play leaders
- House teams with captains and vice captains
- Head Boy, Head Girl, Deputy Head boy and Deputy Head Girl Responsibilities
- School council/ Worship Council/ Online- Safety Champions
- A wide range of experiences such as extra-curricular clubs and trips
- Year 6 Residential Trip
- Inter-school and Inter-year sports competitions
- Parental involvement workshops and open afternoons



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Together we value, inspire and develop each other within a happy, safe community based on Christian values and respect for other faiths.
'Show respect to everyone' (Peter 1 2.17)