



British Values

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Purpose	The School ensures that children understand and take part in discussions on British Values.
Consultation	Governors ✓
	Parents x
	Pupils ✓
	Staff ✓
Links with other policies	PSHE (Teaching and Learning) Behaviour

British values

The Government set out its definition of British values in the 2011 Prevent Strategy, and these values were reiterated in 2014. At Burlington these values are reinforced regularly and in the following ways. We constantly monitor teaching and learning opportunities.

Democracy

At Burlington Juniors each year the children take part in discussions around British Values and have many opportunities for their voices to be heard. We have a school council which meets regularly to discuss issues raised in class council meetings. The council has its own budget and is able to genuinely effect change within the school. Two council members per class are voted in by their peers to represent them on the council.

Children have an annual questionnaire with which they are able to put forward their views about the school. This data is then reflected upon and changes made wherever needed.

The Rule of Law

The importance of Laws, whether they be those that govern the class, the school, or the country, are consistently reinforced throughout regular school days, as well as when dealing with behaviour and through school assemblies. Pupils are taught the value and reasons behind laws; that they govern and protect us; the responsibilities that this involves and the consequences when laws are broken. Visits from authorities such as the Police and Fire Service help reinforce this message.

Individual Liberty

Within school, pupils are actively encouraged to make choices, knowing that they are in a safe and supportive environment. As a school we educate and provide boundaries for young pupils to make choices safely, through provision of a safe environment and empowering education. Pupils are encouraged to know, understand and exercise their rights and personal freedoms and advised how to exercise these safely, for example through our E-Safety and PSHE lessons. Whether it be through choice of learning challenge, of how they record, of participation in our numerous extra-curricular clubs and opportunities, pupils are given the freedom to make choices.

Mutual Respect

Mutual respect is at the heart of our values. Children learn that their behaviour has an effect on their own rights and those of others. All members of the school community are taught to treat each other with respect.

Tolerance of those of Different Faiths and Beliefs

Burlington Juniors is situated in an area which is greatly culturally diverse, therefore we place a great emphasis on promoting diversity with the children. Assemblies are regularly planned to address this issue either directly or through the inclusion of stories and celebrations from a variety of faiths and cultures. Our RE and PSHE

teaching reinforce this. Members of different faiths or religions are encouraged to share their knowledge to enhance learning within classes and the school. As well as this, children are also encouraged to share their cultures and religious beliefs during events such as 'multicultural week'. Children visit places of worship that are important to different faiths.

At Burlington we will actively challenge pupils, staff or parents expressing opinions contrary to fundamental British Values, including 'extremist' views.

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