

# Our Values

Our School has five values which we believe guide and support us in all that we do.

## Compassion

*empathy, tolerance, forgiveness, humility, kindness and care.*

We want our children to understand how to feel and show compassion in a sincere way, to be able to forgive, to show tolerance of others and to demonstrate care and kindness to fellow humans both close to home and across the world. We want their compassion to extend to a care for their world and their environment.

## Courage

*confidence, perseverance, resilience, endurance, courageous advocacy, truth and honesty.*

We want our children to be 'brave learners' to try new things without the fear of failure; to be confident in themselves, their beliefs and values; to be honest with themselves and others and to have the courage to make good choices and to do what they believe is right. We want them to have resilience in all aspects of life, to persevere when things are challenging and to know that hard work is recognised and rewarded.

## Fellowship

*friendship, community, koinonia, belonging, respect, inclusion and partnership.*

We want our children to feel part of their community understanding that each individual contributes to the whole and that the interdependence of everyone working together develops strength. We want our children to flourish in the knowledge that they are contributing to a larger whole, all striving for the same goal, to feel a sense of true belonging, inclusion and partnership.

## Wisdom

*making wise choices, self-control, tolerance and a love of learning.*

We want our children to be considered, to be able to reflect and reason and make wise choices. We want their wisdom to inform their life choices and their understanding of how to live well in our world. We want them to love learning and gaining knowledge and understanding, but to use all of this with wisdom. We want them to be able to live life in all of its fullness.

## Thankfulness

*gratitude, awe and wonder, joy, generosity.*

We want our children to show appreciation for their world and all that they have within it. To be able to marvel at things with a sense of awe and wonder. To be able to feel joy in simple things, to appreciate relationships and friendships and how they are cared for and loved. To appreciate their abilities, talents and freedoms. To be thankful for all of the opportunities available to them. Through their appreciation; we want them to be able to both give and receive generously and appreciatively.