

Why? The Trojan Horse affair brought concerns about the values being taught in schools. The DfE published Promoting Fundamental British Values through SMSC Development in November 2014 and the terms British Values and preparation for life in modern Britain entered the Ofsted Handbook as part of their judgement on SMSC.





- · democracy
- · rule of law
- · individual liberty
- tolerance of those of different faiths and beliefs
- mutual respect

Teachers need to promote these values in class and in Collective Worship in an age appropriate way which makes sense to the children.

#### · Democracy

Britain is a democracy - this means that the people in Britain vote for the people who make the laws and decide how the country is run. If we didn't have a democracy, just one person might be able to make all the laws and that would not be fair.

How is our school democratic?

Debates, voting systems, elections.

#### · The rule of the law

In Britain we have a police force who try to make sure people do not do the wrong thing and break the law - this helps to keep us safe.

We have school rules. We have sanctions for breaking rules.

## · Individual Liberty

In Britain, as long as we do not break the law, we can live as we choose to and have our own opinions about things.

We give children the chance to express their opinions.

### Mutual Respect

We might not always agree with other people, but we try to show respect for their thoughts and feelings.

We show respect to others in school and we expect other people to show us respect. In our school, we think that respect underpins the other British Values.

# · Tolerance of those of different faiths and beliefs

In Britain we accept that other people might have different beliefs to ours and they may believe in different religions or none at all. We respect (rather than tolerate!) the beliefs of others.

#### Are British Values new?

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  We don't think this is anything
  new.

# How can we evidence that we teach British Values?

- We have our 4 core values of learning, caring, growing and sharing which underpin British Values.
- We have 12 other values to be explored in collective worship - Generosity, Compassion, Courage, Forgiveness, Friendship, Respect, Thankfulness, Trust, Perseverance, Justice, Service and Truthfulness
- We have agreed our SMSC Policy and staff understand how SMSC is across the curriculum.
- Staff have considered Spirituality across the curriculum using grids from Salisbury Diocese.
- Discovery RE maps out BV in the RE curriculum but we do not believe RE or PSHE or collective worship can promote British Values in isolation.