

## What does FAITH mean?

### Our Vision

Derby Cathedral School is a Christian community that welcomes students, families and visitors of all faiths and none. The diversity and richness of such a family brings depth and a vibrancy to our core.

Students of Derby Cathedral School are given every opportunity and challenged to be the best that they can be, demonstrating FAITH in all they do.

Each week our students will use part of their tutor time to discuss our school values and how we can demonstrate the following values in all aspects of our lives:



- **Fellowship** – Collaborating with others, we treat everyone with respect, dignity and kindness.
- **Aspiration** – We are ready to learn and grow, striving to be the best that we can be in every aspect of our lives.
- **Integrity** – We demonstrate fairness, equality and honesty.
- **Tenacity** – We are determined and resilient when faced with challenges.
- **Humility** – We are gracious, calm and understand the importance of forgiveness.

## Watch this space...

We are really excited to announce that we will soon be launching The FAITH Award with all year groups.



This award is in recognition of the positive work our students do everyday to demonstrate our school values.

Students will take responsibility for recording the ways in which they have demonstrated these values and will work towards the bronze, silver and gold awards with celebration events planned throughout the school year to recognise the excellent work our students do everyday—promoting our FAITH values in both school and the wider community.

If you have any questions about our school FAITH values or would like to discuss ways in which you can support our school in the promotion of these values, please contact us on:  
**Info@derbycathedralschool.org.uk**

Tel: 01332 325710

info@derbycathedralschool.org.uk  
www.derbycathedralschool.org.uk

**DDAT**  
Derby Diocesan Academy Trust

We are proud to be part of  
Derby Diocesan Academy Trust.

# Our FAITH Values

**Derby**  
CATHEDRAL  
SCHOOL

All students will be well prepared for their next step into future education, training and employment.

They will be happy, healthy, confident, life-long learners who 'experience life in all its fullness'.  
(John 10:10)

**We are very proud of our students and our school, and would like to take this opportunity to share a little more about our FAITH values with you.**

## FAITH in Action

### Fellowship

Fellowship is a value that is so important in schools. We all know that it is not always easy to get along with one another but we believe that the success of a community – both inside and outside of our school walls – lies in our ability to treat others with dignity and kindness.

It is important to us that our students carry on this trait in all aspects of their lives so that they are able to grow as individuals who can find their place alongside everyone else in the world.

### Aspiration

To be successful we need to be ready. On a small scale this means having the correct equipment at the start of every day so that learning is not interrupted. Our students must be organised and think in advance about the learning that they will be carrying out that day – do I know what lessons I have? Do I have my homework, kit or ingredients?

On a larger scale – it is about preparing our students for the next steps in their educational journey.

We support our students in looking to the future – helping them to explore the routes to college, apprenticeships and higher education.

We believe that all students need to be the best that they can be in all situation, even when they are finding something challenging. Self-belief and motivation are critical if we are to achieve our potential in life.

### Integrity

Derby Cathedral School is a place of equity where every member of our community is valued. We believe that our school is a place of opportunity for all and it is so important that we treat everyone with fairness.

Students at Derby Cathedral School are taught the value of honesty. We all make mistakes, that is how we learn; the most important lessons are learnt when we accept this important fact and remain true to ourselves.

We encourage our students to be reflective and positive, honest and fair—doing the right thing even when no one is looking' These attributes make our school a happy place to be.

### Tenacity

How many times do we all feel that we don't want to carry on trying because something is too difficult. "I can't do it" is a common phrase in classrooms around the country. However, the simple addition of the word "yet" changes everything.

We believe that all students can be taught to have the confidence and self-belief to know that our mistakes are nothing to be ashamed of as long as we have the determination to learn from them.

Some of societies greatest successes and achievements have come as a consequence of repeated failures; the tenacity to carry on is what makes the difference.

### Humility

The last of our values, whilst as equally important as all others, is often the hardest to achieve.

We strive to demonstrate humility in all aspects of our life at Derby Cathedral School, whether it be through sportsmanship at the end of a fixture or forgiving someone that has upset us.

We want our students to value our school community as a place of calm and this is something that each member of our school community must contribute to.

We ask our students to treat each other with respect and fairness and, when things go wrong, that they have the calm foresight to forgive.

### Finally...

We hope this leaflet gives you a valuable insight in to the values we hold dear as a school community. It is important that each member of our school community understands and shares the importance of these values as we strive to make our students the best that they can be.