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Pine Green and Evergreen Promoting British Values

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The Greens – Pine Green Academy and Evergreen Academy are committed to serving its community and beyond. We understand the role we play in helping our pupils to understand and live harmoniously in today's multi-cultural, multi-faith society. We understand the importance of our work in ensuring that individuals and groups within our school communities are not subjected to intimidation or radicalisation by those wishing to unduly, or illegally, influence them.

Everyone at 'The Greens' is fully committed to ensuring that no individual or group is subject to discrimination. The principals of equal opportunities guidance underpin our approach which guarantees that there will be no discrimination against any individual or group, regardless of faith, ethnicity, gender, sexuality, political or financial status, or similar.

The Government emphasises that schools are required to ensure that key 'British Values' are taught in all UK schools. The government set out its definition of British values in the 2011 Prevent Strategy.

The five British Values are:

- Democracy
- The rule of law
- Individual liberty
- Mutual respect
- Tolerance of those of different faiths and beliefs

At The Greens we seek to embed British values throughout our curriculum and in wider enrichment opportunities:

Democracy

The principle of democracy is consistently reinforced at The Greens – with our School Council being just one example. Staff and pupils at The Greens work together, with important decisions about school life reached through a democracy processes. The principle of democracy is also explored in our PSHE curriculum, through Humanities delivered through Cornerstones as well as in form time and assemblies.

The rule of law

The importance of laws, whether they be those that govern the class, the school, or the country, are consistently reinforced at The Greens. Our Pupils develop an understanding of 'The rule of law' through the constant reinforcement of school rules and expectations and through our PSHE curriculum. Pupils are taught the value and the reasons behind laws that govern and protect us, the responsibilities that this involves and the consequences when laws are broken. The Greens works in partnership with the local policing hub with pupils engaging in planned visits from them to reinforce this message.

Individual liberty

Making independent choices in a safe and secure environment is an important skill we develop in our pupils. The Green's staff work closely with pupils to encourage them to make choices in a safe, secure and supportive environment. The dedicated staff at The Greens support pupils to understand the need for boundaries and how these impact on the decisions and choices they need to make. We want our pupils to be able to make informed choices, and over time develop the skills to do this independently. This can be seen in our work during Form Time, in our PSHE curriculum and in our safe guarding curriculum.

Mutual Respect

Our curriculum reinforces the value of respect through providing our pupils with opportunities to express their views and beliefs in a safe environment. We support our pupils to develop an increasing understanding of how their behaviours affect their own rights and the rights of others. All members of 'The Greens'; staff and pupils treat each other with respect.

Tolerance of those of different faiths and beliefs

Pupils at The Greens are supported each and every day to exercise tolerance of others, tolerance of different faiths and different beliefs. This is achieved through equipping pupils with the ability to understand their place in our culturally diverse school family and wider society. Our RSE curriculum provides opportunity for pupils to learn about and discuss a range of faiths, religions and cultures.