



British Values

At St Gregory's our school mission is to move 'forward together in the love of Christ' which underpins all that we do. Our aim is to nurture and support our young people to grow into proud, happy citizens, who will make a positive contribution to British Society and the wider world.

<p style="writing-mode: vertical-rl; transform: rotate(180deg);">Democracy</p>	<p>At St Gregory's we encourage our children to embrace and value democracy and the common good. Children are taught that it is vital they listen and respect the views of others and accept majority decisions. There are many opportunities for our pupils to experience democracy in their everyday school life.</p>	<p>We start the year by inviting our Year 6s to deliver election speeches as part of their application to be a House Captain.</p> <p>Within classes, leadership roles are identified, and children choose their class representatives following speeches and a class vote.</p> <p>Elected class representatives express their opinions and present ideas to the School Council.</p> <p>We seek the ideas and opinions of children and parents, acting upon them where possible.</p> <p>We learn about what democracy means and how it works.</p> <p>We provide our children with a broad knowledge of and promoting respect for public institutions and services e.g. , MP visits into school, visits to/from Police, Hospitals, Fire Service, Local Councillors, attendance at Remembrance Day services.</p> <p>We model how perceived injustice can be peacefully challenged e.g. by teaching about inspirational figures such as Ghandi, Mandela, Mother Teresa, Martin Luther King.</p>
<p style="writing-mode: vertical-rl; transform: rotate(180deg);">The Rule of Law</p>	<p>We teach our children to realise that rules are there to protect the common good. Children recognise that rules are necessary to keep us safe and protect our communities.</p>	<p>In school we have rules in every classroom, and these are discussed and referred to throughout the school year.</p> <p>We ensure school rules are clear and fair, through our consistent behaviour policy.</p> <p>We help children to distinguish right from wrong e.g. by using the example of Christ when dealing with behaviour that is not acceptable</p> <p>Promoting respect for the law and the basis on which it is made e.g. through visitors such as PCSOs, Police, MP into school.</p> <p>We support children to understand that living under the rule of law protects individuals e.g. through our RE curriculum, through focus weeks, visitors.</p> <p>Our behaviour policy is linked to restorative justice e.g. that is based in the Christian value of forgiveness.</p> <p>We learn about God's rules in the Bible in RE lessons and during Assemblies.</p>
<p style="writing-mode: vertical-rl; transform: rotate(180deg);">Individual Liberty</p>	<p>We teach our children that the freedom to make choices is a gift. These rights are not earned; everyone has them – no one must wait to be adults to have rights. All children have the same rights, and these rights are listed in the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child.</p>	<p>We support our children to embrace our school mission in action by showing love for themselves. This includes taking responsibility for their behaviour towards themselves and others. Our daily collective worship gives us time to reflect on our mission in action.</p> <p>We help children to understand that all children have rights under the UN's Convention</p> <p>We challenge stereotypes e.g. disability awareness, anti-bullying and anti-racism learning, fundraising weeks.</p> <p>We implement a strong anti-bullying culture beginning with Anti-bullying Week.</p> <p>We model how having the freedom to express different opinions is part of a healthy community as long as it does not incite hatred, cause hurt and or breed intolerance.</p> <p>We celebrate our uniqueness and that we all created in the image of God.</p> <p>We read in scripture how Jesus shows us to have respect for ourselves.</p>
<p style="writing-mode: vertical-rl; transform: rotate(180deg);">Mutual Respect</p>	<p>Respect for each other and ourselves is consistently promoted and taught at St Gregory's. The way we treat others is based around our Gospel values.</p>	<p>This is achieved through enhancing pupils understanding of their place in a culturally diverse society and by giving them opportunities to experience such diversity.</p> <p>We support our children to embrace our school mission in action by showing love for each other and how we demonstrate this in our everyday lives.</p> <p>The quality of our relationships is of the highest priority within school and helping children to recognise that our golden rule in school is to treat others as you wish to be treated.</p> <p>The children learning about other countries, cultural differences, and values.</p> <p>We openly discuss and celebrate the differences between people such as differences of faith, ethnicity, disability, gender and different family situations including looked after children.</p> <p>We celebrate our differences and that we all created in the image of God.</p> <p>We read in the scriptures how Jesus demonstrates how to love all people.</p>
<p style="writing-mode: vertical-rl; transform: rotate(180deg);">Tolerance of those of different faiths and beliefs.</p>	<p>We teach our children to recognise the importance of tolerance of people with different faiths and beliefs to our own.</p>	<p>Members of different faiths or religions are encouraged to share their knowledge to enhance learning within classes and the school.</p> <p>We visit local places of worship such as the mosque.</p> <p>We embrace diversity and seek opportunities to celebrate this within our school community.</p> <p>Our Mini Vinnies are very successful in promoting tolerance of other faiths particularly with their charity work. The whole school supports a range of charities throughout the year for example, CAFOD, Teesside Hospice, Mission Together, Stockton Foodbank.</p> <p>Our children enjoy multi-faith weeks, which encourage dialogue about differences in faith and religious practices.</p> <p>We read in the scriptures how Jesus cares for others who don't share our beliefs.</p>