



British Values vision at St Joseph's

Intent

British Values are in line with our Gospel Values.

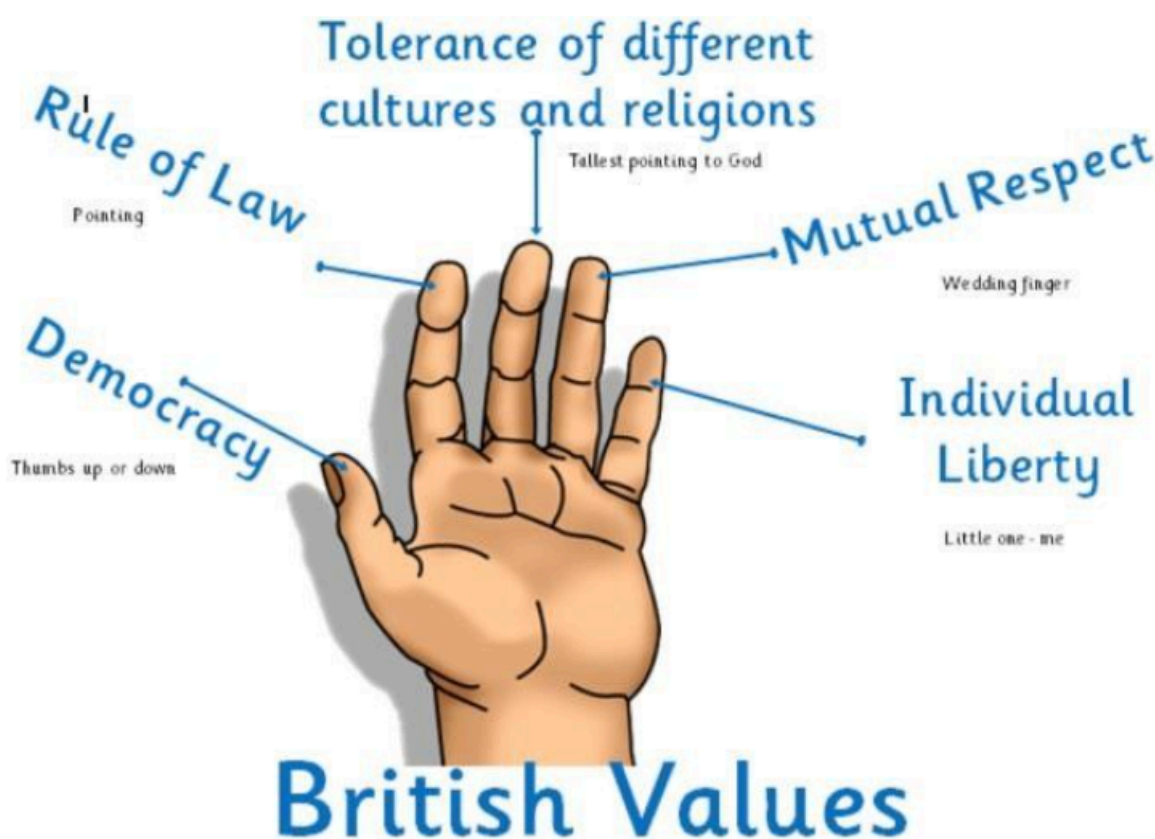
The DfE reinforce the need;

“to create and enforce a clear and rigorous expectation on all schools to promote the fundamental British values of democracy, the rule of law, individual liberty and mutual respect and tolerance of those with different faiths and beliefs.”

Schools are required to actively promote and not undermine “British Values”

As a Catholic School we actively promote values, virtues and ethics that shape our pupils' character and moral perspective, through the teachings of the Church. We are confident that our continued focus on the Gospel Values will give our pupils the necessary awareness of what it means to be a good citizen in Britain today, and embed in them the building blocks of a future successful and productive life.

Through our RE, PSHE and foundation subjects we are able to make real links between the values of our pupils and the lives of others in their community, country and the world in general.



Democracy

Pupils have the opportunity to have their voices heard through our School Council and Pupil voice. Elections for council are held in a democratic process by completing and returning ballot forms in a formal election procedure.

Children, parents and staff are given regular opportunities to give feedback on school life. This is done through pupil interviews,

Parents' consultation evenings, parent/staff/pupil questionnaires, individual meetings, pupil suggestion boxes and School Council Meetings.

The Rule of Law

The importance of Laws

Class rules, school rules, country rules- regular reminders.

Behaviour policies to show that there are consequences for actions.

Individual Liberty

Encouraged to make choices, knowing that they are in a safe and supportive environment.

Developing their self-esteem and self-confidence- reward systems.

Understanding their rights and personal freedoms and we discuss how to exercise these safely (Unicef rights)

Through our Computing, E Safety, R.E. and PSHE lessons.

Mutual Respect

Assemblies constantly promote respect for others and the importance of good manners. All pupils are taught the importance of self-respect, honest and open communication with others and fair play.

Tolerance of those of Different Faiths and Beliefs

As a Catholic worshipping community, pupils are reminded of their place in a culturally diverse society.

Visits to places of worship

Theme and cultural weeks

Texts used in class.