

# Values Education



When you visit our school, you soon realise how our 4Rs set of principles are the foundation for school life; as we *Respect and Care* for:

**Ourselves**  
**Each other**  
**The environment**  
**Our learning**

In order to behave in a way that shows we understand our 4Rs, we need a more comprehensive set of values.

Values can be a moral idea – where we get our sense of right or wrong or what we ought to do or how we should behave. Other values provide a feeling for what is good, helpful, important, useful, beautiful and desirable etc.

It's values that drive our thinking and behaviour; we behave the way we do, because of our values, values help us grow into the people we become.

Because of this, we have recently adopted a Values Education programme.

As a community, we have considered 22 values, that we believe affect us most. Over a two-year rolling programme we will focus on a different value every month. We hope you will join in at home, as we journey through our new values based education.

## Our first focus is 'Respect'

### **Respect can be:**

1. A feeling of admiration for someone because of their abilities, qualities or achievements.
2. Giving due regard for the feelings, wishes or rights of others.
3. Polite greetings.
4. A particular aspect, point or detail.

For us to respect God and the church, we need to learn as much as we can about the stories in the Bible; we need to understand what's happening in the Bible and how it's relevant today. By listening carefully, thinking for ourselves, trusting those who care for us (family, teachers, friends) we will learn the importance of respect.

To respect God is to treat everyone the way you want to be treated. God is everywhere and by respecting other people, we are also respecting God.

### **Children say respect is:**

Making the right choices  
Being helpful to each other  
Thinking of those who care for us  
Giving someone your attention  
Being grateful for what we have  
Trying hard

Listening to your friend's opinion

### **They believe we should:**

Respect those who care for us  
Respect each other because we live in God's world together  
Respect and care for our mums and dads, for helping us with our homework

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