

British Values at St Alban's Catholic Primary School



At St Alban's Catholic primary School, we endeavour to provide a broad, balanced and high quality learning experience that is enriched by the Christian principles that run through the heart of our school community. We nurture our young people and help them to grow and develop in faith.

We are dedicated to preparing our children for success in an ever-changing world by developing and nurturing a faith community of lifelong learners and responsible young people who embrace and promote **British values**.

It is through our strong ethos that we teach our children the fundamental British values of democracy, the rule of law, individual liberty and mutual respect and tolerance.

Democracy: At St Alban's School, we deeply value the thoughts, feelings and opinions of our children and provide as many opportunities as we can to develop pupil voice. This is achieved through a variety of ways such as the school council system, pupil questionnaires and interviews as well as liturgies and assemblies.

Rule of Law: Our children are taught the value of law and how it impacts on keeping them safe and protected from harm. Internet safety and anti-bullying issues are explored and taught throughout aspects of the curriculum. School and class rules are constantly reinforced and we have a clearly structured behaviour policy which all staff and children understand and follow.

Individual Liberty: We promote the value of choice and children are actively encouraged, and have the freedom, to make choices independently. This is further developed through our set of Golden skills (Independence, Aspiration, Curiosity, Perseverance, Communication & Self-belief).

Mutual Respect and Tolerance: At St Alban's School, we value everyone as individuals and teach the importance of respect. This is constantly referred to and upheld through liturgies and within everyday school life within the classroom and playground and modelled by adults. We value the diverse cultural backgrounds of all of our children, families and staff and celebrate these through the curriculum.

Christian principles are integrated into every part of our school life at St Alban's School and we believe that they encompass the British values. These principles and values are embedded throughout our liturgy and curriculum themes and are explicitly focussed upon through the PSHE and RE scheme of work, 'R' Time, our Golden Skills and the 'Statements to Live By' that structure some of our Acts of Worship.