



Promoting British Values at Thornford CE Primary School

Democracy

We have a School Council with members from Year One up to Year Six. These children are voted for by their class. The Council meets regularly and in the meetings the children's views and ideas on a range of school issues are sought and they help make decisions. The council members feedback to their classes. They also collect class views which they bring to their meetings and are involved in fund raising for the school.

The Rule of Law

Children are taught our 'Golden Thread' from the beginning and the 'values' of the school. Pupils are taught the importance of and reasons behind our school 'values', the responsibilities that this involves and the consequences when the 'values' are not kept. Each class agrees its own class charter at the beginning of the academic year. We have a variety of rewards when children keep the 'values' including golden time, team points, Achievement and Role model Awards. These show children our values are special and in keeping them they will be rewarded.

Individual Liberty

Pupils are actively encouraged to make choices, knowing that they are in a safe and supportive environment. Making choices is key part the way we want children to learn and of the school vision, which children learn about through assemblies and PHSE work. Through our work we discuss different choices that the children can make and encourage them to make the right choices. We look at Online safety as a key part of the Computing curriculum and the importance making safe choices when online.

Mutual Respect

Mutual respect is at the heart of our values. We are an inclusive school where everyone is valued and has a contribution to make to the school. Children learn that their behaviours have an effect on their own rights and those of others. The children and staff often work with other schools in our collaboration and with the local Church which develops their respect for others in the wider community.

Tolerance of those of Different Faiths and Beliefs

All different faiths and beliefs are explored and celebrated through assemblies, RE sessions and a variety of visitors into school. The children are taught that people have different faiths and beliefs and that these should be accepted. Children within our school with different faiths are encouraged to share their practices and special celebrations. Our school has a close link with St. Mary Magdalene Church, Thornford and the Rector, Rev. Tony Gilbert, who is also our Chair of Governors, leads assemblies for us.