



ST VINCENT'S SCHOOL

A Specialist School for Sensory Impairment and Other Needs

British Values

British Values are very important to us here at St Vincent's School. We are dedicated to promoting them within our school community in order to establish a strong sense of social and moral responsibility.

We see British Values as underpinning what it is to be a citizen in a modern and diverse Britain. They allow us to create environments free from discrimination, intolerance and hate. They help us to challenge prejudice and stereotyping, whilst strengthening relationships within the community.

As well as actively promoting these values to our students, we also work hard to embed them into student work across all curriculum areas. This ensures our students understand the importance of respect, so they can leave school fully prepared to live and work in modern Britain as responsible citizens.

British Values are defined as the following:

Democracy

A culture built upon freedom and equality, where everyone is aware of their rights and responsibilities.

Examples include:

- Leadership and accountability
- Joint decision making
- Team meetings
- The right to protest and petition
- Receiving and giving feedback

The Rule of Law

The need for rules to make a happy, safe and secure environment to live and work. Examples include:

- Legislation
- Agreed ways of working, policies and procedures
- How the law protects you and others
- Codes of conduct

Individual Liberty

Protection of your rights and the right of others you work with. Examples include:

- Equality and Human Rights
- Personal Development
- Respect and Dignity
- Rights, choice, consent and individuality
- Values and principles

Respect & Tolerance

Understanding that we all don't share the same beliefs and values. Respecting the values, ideas and beliefs of others whilst not imposing our own on others. Examples include:

- Embracing diversity
- The importance of religion, traditions, cultural heritage and preferences
- Stereotyping, labelling and prejudice
- Tackling discrimination

If you require additional information about promoting British values and preventing extremism/radicalisation please explore the following link which has a section specifically for parents/carers:

<http://www.educateagainsthate.com/>