

# **Promoting British Values**

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The Government have set out its definition of British Values in the Prevent Strategy. At Jordans School we strive to create an environment that promotes the British vales of a democratic society. We reinforce these in the following ways during lesson time, playtimes and assemblies:

## **Democracy:** making decisions together

- Build children's self-esteem, self-awareness, and self-confidence.
- Build children's ability and willingness to say what they want/need and speak up for themselves, knowing they will be listened to.
- Support the decisions that children make and provide opportunities that involve turn-taking, sharing and collaboration.
- Value each other's views and values and talk about their feelings, for example when they do or do not need help.

# Rule of law: understanding rules matter

- Help children understand boundaries and acceptable behaviour.
- Hep children think about keeping safe/keep away from danger.
- Ensure that children understand their own and others' behaviour and its consequences, and distinguish right from wrong.
- Collaborate with children to create the rules and the codes of behaviour, for example to agree the rules about tidying up and ensure that all children understand rules apply to everyone.
- Children are taught the value and reasons behind laws and why rules are there to protect us.

#### Individual liberty: freedom for all

- Help children understand that they have the right to feel safe and not be frightened.
- Teach children to say no if they don't like something/don't want to do something.
- Encourage a range of experiences that allow children to explore the language of feelings and responsibility, reflect on their differences and understand we are free to have different opinions.
- Develop a positive sense of themselves. Provide opportunities for children to develop their self-knowledge, self-esteem and increase their confidence in their own abilities.

## Mutual respect and tolerance: treat others as you want to be treated

- Help children deal with conflicts by talking, explaining their motives and negotiating.
- Teach children to treat others as they would want to be treated themselves.
- Share stories that reflect and value the diversity of children's experiences and providing resources and activities that challenge gender, cultural and racial stereotyping.
- Enhancing children's understanding of their place in a culturally diverse society and by giving them opportunities to experience some of these differences.
- Mutual respect for those with difference faiths and beliefs.