



## Promoting British Values at College Town Primary School



At College Town Primary School we aim for our children to become valuable and fully rounded members of society who treat others with respect and tolerance, regardless of background. We promote the basic British values of democracy, the rule of law, individual liberty, and mutual respect and tolerance for those with different faiths and beliefs. The DfE have reinforced the need “to create and enforce a clear and rigorous expectation on all schools to promote the fundamental British values of democracy, the rule of law, individual liberty and mutual respect and tolerance of those with different faiths and beliefs.”

The Government set out its definition of British values in the [2011 Prevent Strategy](#), and these values have been reiterated in 2014. At College Town Primary School these values are reinforced regularly and in the following ways:

### Democracy

Through our curriculum children are taught about and encouraged to respect public institutions and services. We do this by inviting into school a range of visitors from the local community as well as visit places in the area, such as businesses and churches. Children are encouraged to vote during special occasions, for example when choosing who should attend the golden table for lunch each half term.



## **The Rule of Law**

The importance of laws, whether they be those that govern the class, the school, or the country, are consistently reinforced at College Town Primary School. Visits from authorities such as the Police and Fire Service help reinforce this message.

Despite our pupils being aged from 4 - 11, children are taught from an early stage the rules of the school. They are taught the values and reasons behind our school rules, the responsibilities that this involves and the consequences when rules are broken. For more information, please read our school Behaviour and Anti-Bullying Policy in the Policies section of our website.

## **Individual Liberty**

At College Town Primary School, pupils are actively encouraged to make choices, knowing that they are in a safe and supportive environment. As a school we educate and provide boundaries for young pupils to make informed choices, through a safe environment and an empowering education. Pupils are encouraged to know, understand and exercise their rights and personal freedoms and advised how to exercise these safely, for example through our eSafety and PSHCE work. We have a robust anti-bullying culture with behaviour and safety policies in place. Please see the Policies section of our website.

## **Mutual Respect and Tolerance of those of Different Faiths and Beliefs**

Mutual respect is at the heart of our values. Children learn that their behaviour has an effect on their own rights and those of others. All members of the school community treat each other with respect. We actively promote courtesy and good manners towards all. We aim to promote the understanding and appreciation of different faiths and cultures, both within our school and the wider world. We provide opportunities for the children to visit places of worship and we actively encourage visitors from a range of communities and organisations into school.

The school supports a variety of charities each year and plans fundraising and awareness raising activities to support those charities, often which support our community. For example, in 2018-2019 we have raised money for Children with Cancer UK through our fun run, Red Nose Day and Children in Need, as well as for UNICEF's Nepal appeal. As part of our Harvest celebrations we collect donations for Kerith Food Bank, which supports families in our local community.

