College Town Primary School Values

To ensure that our school can be the best it can possibly be, at all times, for all people, we will strive to behave in a way that demonstrates our belief in these values. In a community where these values drive our actions and decisions we would expect to see:

Respect will be demonstrated through a considerate, appreciative and listening culture. Value is given to each and every person and their individual contribution is held in high regard. In such a culture there would be no evidence of feeling undermined, ignored, ridiculed or humiliated.

Trust will be demonstrated at both the personal and professional level. We will be able to rely on each other's personal characters and professional behaviours for the greater good of us all. Confidentiality, dependability and integrity will help us all grow in confidence. Where trust is high empowerment is inevitable where trust is missing a rot will prevent any growth.

Passion will provide the enthusiasm and inner-drive to ensure that we remain fulfilled, motivated and dedicated to our core purpose of improving the learning experience for all. Where passion is missing lack of enthusiasm, negativity and poor motivation may arise.

Co-operation will be demonstrated through our commitment to teamwork and understanding the necessity to be flexible and helpful. A co-operative school is always supportive, where each and every member recognises and contributes to the development of the whole school helping their colleagues when necessary. Poor co-operation inhibits growth and leads to poor motivation, negativity and individualism.

Belonging allows us all to feel at ease and comfortable in each other's company, it bonds us together in partnership and commonality. When we do not feel as if we belong it gives rise to low self-esteem., isolation and lack of confidence. There is no sense of common purpose.

Challenge will be demonstrated through our excitement for learning and a desire to improve. Perseverance and resilience will be characteristics of us all and an underlying belief that we can do whatever we choose to do. Challenge will be seen as the motivator, not as an inhibitor. Pride in what we can do and what we know we can achieve will provide us with the strength to continue when the challenge is tough. Where challenge is lacking the practice will never develop, the people will never reap the rewards of unlocking the potential within themselves and those around them.

Excellence will be demonstrated through our focussed commitment, effort and drive towards continual improvement. There will be a sense of dignity and pride both as an individual, but also as a learning community. The road to excellence will provide opportunities for celebration, reflection and refinement. Where excellence is not aspired to there will be an apathetic attitude where growth and improvement are stunted and where individuals and groups settle for an attitude of mediocrity.

Fun will be demonstrated through the enjoyment we have in undertaking our tasks. We will be positive in both our attitude and approach. Our body language will tell others that we are happy to be here and there will be laughter. Where there is never any fun there is little hope of laughter.

It is our human right to experience this and it is our responsibility as humans to work endlessly in establishing it.

Our vision is:

To create and nurture a learning community built upon trust and respect which is fully inclusive and has a passion for lifelong learning. To experience a sense of belonging and wellbeing for all members of our community; where cooperation and fun go handin-hand.

To recognise that challenge is the motivator that helps everyone to aspire to excellence in all we say and do.

College Town Primary School Values Child Friendly version

Respect

I will have respect for other children and adults in school, at home and in our community. I will show this in the things I say and by my actions.

Trust

I will learn to rely on other children and adults, to trust them and to be dependable so that others can trust me.

Passion

I will try to be enthusiastic, motivated and positive in my learning and make my school a better place to learn.

Co-operation

I will try my very best to cooperate and collaborate with others; to be helpful and flexible. I will try to make my school a better place for everyone.

Belonging

I will try to make everyone welcome and comfortable. I will help myself and others to feel part of our school community, to build partnerships and belong to a team.

Challenge

I will try to be excited to learn and always try to improve. I will aim to persevere and be resilient. I can take pride in things that I do well and be happy with my achievements. I can be proud when I reach my goals.

Fun

I will try to enjoy my time at school, smile and be happy. I will try to show others that I am glad to be at school through my words and actions.