

Promoting British Values at Alban City School

The Dfe requires schools to meet the requirements set out in section 78 of the Education Act 2002 and promote the spiritual, moral and cultural development of their pupils. Through ensuring pupil's SMSC development, schools can also demonstrate they are actively promoting fundamental British values.

Schools are expected 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 were reiterated by the Prime Minister in 2014.

At Alban City School we promote British values through curriculum teaching, extra curricular activities and through our ethos. The values we seek to promote are:

Democracy

- Participation in Philosophy for Children sessions (Family groups)
- Circle time activities
- Decision making activities about class and school rules
- PSE activities
- Majority voting eg wet play activities, class incentive rewards

Importance of Rules

- Class rules and Golden Rules
- Pupil voice
- Topic work such as learning about people who help us
- Question of the week
- Related policies (Behaviour, Anti bullying)
- Rules and fair play in PE and sports activities
- Social Skills and nurture groups

Individual Liberty

- Children taking responsibility for their behaviour as well as knowing their rights
- Citizenship and Ethics
- Assemblies
- Safe use of technology

Mutual Respect

- Celebration of cultural diversity in assemblies and thematic weeks
- Faith and Belief lessons

- The teaching of Modern Foreign Languages
- Supporting charities

Tolerance of Different Faiths and Beliefs

- Developing links with faith communities
- Visitors who come and share their beliefs
- School ethos/culture
- Enrichment weeks
- Faith and Belief lessons (use of the Hertfordshire agreed syllabus for RE)
- Behaviour and Anti- bullying policies