

## Nanaksar Primary School 2015-2016

## **Embedding British Values**



The DfE have recently 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."

At Nanaksar Primary School, the values below are taught through PSHCE and our multi-faith lessons, 'Our World' and 'Let's Celebrate.' We also teach British Values through planning and delivering a broad and balanced curriculum. Such values are reinforced regularly and in the following ways:

# **Democracy**

Democracy is an important value at our school. Pupils have the opportunity to have their voices heard through our School Council. The elections of members are based on pupil votes and involves pupils meeting every month to discuss issues raised (such as school meals, the playground, etc.). All pupils will receive a questionnaire where they are able to put forward their views about the school, in the summer term.

#### The Rule of Law

The importance of laws and rules, whether they are those that govern the class, the school or the country, are consistently reinforced throughout regular school days. Pupils are taught from an early age the rules of the school and the importance of following them and understanding their consequences. Our system for behaviour is aligned to an agreed set of codes (RAG traffic light system).

We are committed to praising pupils' behaviour, attitudes, achievements and efforts. We endeavour to praise the children informally, individually, during group work, in front of the whole class and the whole school. Celebration Trees are displayed in each classroom, praising pupils for being good role models. Rewards are given in the form of star charts, VIP (Very Important Person) of the week, Writer of the Week, Friendship Award and other certificates in assembly. Visits from authorities such as the police, fire service etc. will form part of our school calendar and help reinforce this message.

## **Individual Liberty**

Pupils are actively encouraged to make choices at our school, knowing that they are in a safe and supportive environment. As a school we provide boundaries for our children to make choices safely, through the provision of a safe environment and planned curriculum. Pupils are encouraged to know, understand and exercise their rights and personal freedoms and are advised how to exercise these safely.

### **Mutual Respect**

The school has 5 core values which underpin our vision: SHARE (selflessness, humility, achievement, respect and equality). Pupils and staff demonstrate these values, which determine how we live as a community Nanaksar Primary School.

Charity events are held throughout the year where pupils also think about people who are less fortunate than themselves.

### **Tolerance of Those of Different Faiths and Beliefs**

This is achieved through enhancing pupils' understanding of their place in a culturally diverse society and by giving them opportunities to experience such diversity. As part of the multi-faith learning, pupils explore all faiths throughout the year and we have Faith Celebration Days based upon varying food, tradition, places of worship and festivals. As part of the multi-faith learning, pupils visit different place of worship (this term the church and a mandir). Festival events and assemblies provide the opportunity for pupils to learn about different faiths and their beliefs.