



2.4 British Values Policy

Teaching British Values

The Department of Education states that there is a need 'to create and enforce a clear and rigorous expectation of the fundamental British values in the early years of democracy, the rule of law, individual liberty, mutual respect and tolerance of those with different faiths and beliefs'. At Shiplake Village Nursery we strive to promote British values through our embedded ethos, our EYFS delivery and the daily life of the nursery, helping children to understand their importance and how to apply them to their behaviour as responsible citizens in a multi-cultural and multi-faith society.

Democracy:

We listen to the voices of the children and the parents. Our nursery behaviour management policy is clear that children are expected to contribute and co-operate, taking into account the views of others.

The Rule of Law:

We consistently reinforce our high expectations of children. Children are taught the value and reasons behind our expectations (rules), that they are there to protect us, that everyone has a responsibility and that there are consequences when rules are broken.

Individual Liberty:

Within the nursery, children are actively encouraged to make choices, knowing that they are in a safe and supportive environment. As a nursery we educate and provide boundaries for young children to make choices safely, through our provision of a safe environment and empowering experiences. Children are encouraged to know, understand and exercise their rights and personal freedoms.

Mutual Respect:

Part of our nursery ethos and behaviour policy has revolved around Core Values such as 'Respect', and children are modelled this by caring, sharing and listening to others. Staff help children to understand how to respect by talking about how actions/words can affect others.

Tolerance of those of Different Faiths and Beliefs:

We aim to enhance children's understanding of different faiths and beliefs by participating in a range of celebrations throughout the year. Children have the

opportunity to dress-up in clothes and try different foods from other cultures and we encourage parents/carers to participate and support our multi-cultural events.

This policy is used in conjunction with our Inclusion, Behaviour Management and Safeguarding policies

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