







ST JAMES HATCHAM
CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL



British Values at St James Hatcham CE Primary School



We are proud that our Christian values as exemplified by the life and teachings of Jesus are so well matched to the British Values of democracy, the rule of law, individual liberty and mutual respect for and tolerance of those with different faiths and beliefs and for those without faith. These are firmly embedded in the work that we do through our Curriculum and in particular our RE, spiritual, moral, social and cultural development (SMSC) and Lifesavers lessons. We continually encourage children to demonstrate and apply these to their own lives and will challenge opinions and behaviours in school that are contrary to fundamental British Values. Our school policies such as the Behaviour and relationships, Anti-Bullying, Safeguarding and RE policy, reinforce this and our aim in ensuring children grow in “godly character” and responsible citizens.

Examples of how British Values are promoted at St James Hatcham CE Primary School	
Democracy 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Peer Mediator applications • School Council elections • Pupil questionnaires • Curriculum e.g. Listening to others point of view • Specific learning curriculum; Apartheid, EU, Brexit
Rule of law 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Behaviour and Relationships policy reinforcing expected behaviour and sanctions • Our Inclusion Mark Centre of excellence status report stated, “Pupils behave very well around the school, in their lessons and in the playground”. • Class and playground rules • Anti-Bullying Charter • Visits and programmes offered by the police to reinforce expectations • Policies and practices ensure that pupils and staff are protected from extremism • Visits to court to meet a judge
Individual liberty 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rights Respecting school demonstrates our commitment to individual liberty • Inclusion centre of excellence school • The e-safety code • We encourage pupils to make safe choices • Specific Learning Curriculum; Rights of the child; Peasants’ Revolt; Nelson Mandela, the Holocaust and Ann Frank’s diary; Women’s Rights etc. • Free choice e.g. in your individual religious beliefs
Mutual respect 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The school motto, Mission Statement and values • The SIAMs report • Our Inclusion Mark Centre of excellence status report stated, “Pupils behave very well around the school, in their lessons and in the playground” and that they help each other • Peer mediators receive training to help challenge • Kaleidoscope anti-bullying training
Tolerance of other faiths & beliefs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The school values are endorsed through the collective worship programme • The RE Curriculum covers a range of religions and encourages tolerance and understanding in a multi-diverse world • Specific learning Curriculum; Arabian Nights; Islamic Centre; The Holocaust • Visits to Mosques; Synagogues etc. • Pen pal letters to Japan