

British Values in EYFS

Promoting British Values in the EYFS at St John's

Democracy: making decisions together and listening to children's and parent's voices. For example: parent questionnaires. Children are given opportunities to make decisions about their choice of activities and the resources they play with, giving opportunities to develop enquiring minds in an atmosphere where questions are valued. We encourage children to engage in healthy risk taking, making choices about how they keep themselves safe.

Rule of law: understanding that rules matter, as cited in Personal Social and Emotional Development. We consistently reinforce our high expectations of children. Children are taught the value and reasons behind our expectations. How rules are there to protect us, that everyone has a responsibility and the consequences when rules are broken.

Individual liberty: freedom for all, for example reflecting on their differences and understanding that we are free to have different opinions. Children are actively encouraged to make choices, knowing that they are in a safe and supportive environment. Provide boundaries for young children to make choices safely, through our provision of a safe enabling environment and effective supportive teaching.

Mutual respect: treat others as you want to be treated. Children gain respect through interaction with caring adults who show and value their individual personalities. Positive, caring and polite behaviour encouraged and praised at all times in an environment where children learn to respect themselves, other people and their surroundings.

Tolerance of those of Different Faiths and Beliefs: enhance children's understanding of different faiths and beliefs by participating in a range of celebrations and multi-cultural activities throughout the year. Children have the opportunity to dress-up in clothes and try foods from other cultures and encourage parents and carers and other people in the community to participate and support.