

St Peters Pre-School British Values Statement November 2023

Promoting British Values

At St. Peter's Pre-school we 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 children are encouraged to regard people of all faiths, races and cultures with respect and tolerance at all times. We aim to teach each child to understand that while different people may hold different views about what is 'right' and 'wrong', all people living in England are subject to its law.

We endeavour to make all children aware of the difference between the law of the land and religious law. The teaching of such values will include learning right from wrong, learning to take turns and share, and challenging negative attitudes and stereotypes with regard to others beliefs or faith. Staff model appropriate behaviours and teach a varied curriculum touching on the basics of multiple cultures within the seven areas of learning.

The government sets out its definition of British values in the 2011 Prevent Strategy. The four British Values are:

- 1. Democracy
- 2. The rule of law
- 3. Individual liberty
- 4. Mutual respect and tolerance of those of different faiths and beliefs.

The pre-school uses strategies within the EYFS curriculum to teach the children about British values, the examples that follow show some of the ways we achieve this.

Democracy

We take turns and share during conversations, we listen and apologise when we have made a bad decision, we vote on special topics where a majority wins and we stand up for our own rights.

The rule of law

We use walking feet and indoor voices during session time, we are polite and kind to others, we respect our toys, we all help to tidy up and we understand the consequences of behaviour.

Individual liberty

We practice table manners, we share news with others about our experiences, we self-select our own toys and games and we are rewarded for our efforts.

Mutual respect and tolerance of those of different faiths and beliefs

We celebrate special days, we learn about the world we live in, we learn that we have different opinions about things and we read lots of different stories.



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Prevent

Under the Counter-Terrorism and Security Act 2015 we also have a duty *"to have due regard to the need to prevent people from being drawn into terrorism"*. Staff will undertake annual training via the Channel General Awareness as supported by the Home Office

If a shooting or knife incident is taking place

As soon as the preschool/supervisor has been notified there is a situation involving a gun or knife crime being committed within the preschool vicinity the following procedure will take place:

During an indoor session.

Supervisor will notify staff to gather the children. Supervisor will grab a mobile phone and register. All children and staff will lock themselves in the disabled toilet cubicle to await further instructions.

During an outdoor session

Supervisor will notify staff to gather children inside. Front doors will be locked. Supervisor will grab a mobile phone and register. All children and staff will lock themselves in the disabled toilet cubicle to await further instructions

This policy was adopted at a meeting of the preschool held on (date)