



Abbey View School Promoting British Values

At Abbey View School, we actively promote positive, inclusive values. These include democracy, the rule of law, individual liberty, and mutual respect for and tolerance of those of different faiths and beliefs. We believe British values are those values expected of anyone living in Britain, regardless of their nationality, culture or religious belief.

Our ethos reflects these values. We place great emphasis on building positive relationships in school, amongst the students themselves and between staff and students. We strongly believe students should not merely be taught such values but that they are embedded into school life.

The information below reflects how Abbey View School works to promote positive values through the ethos and life of the school

Promoting the value of Democracy

At Abbey View School the principle of democracy is consistently reinforced, through student voice and through formal and informal discussions with all students. It also is promoted via the running of the school council.

Promoting the value of the Rule of Law

The importance of laws, whether they be those that govern the class, the school, or the country, are consistently reinforced throughout regular school days, as well as when dealing with behaviour.. Students are taught the values and reasons behind laws, that they govern and protect us, the responsibilities that this involves and the consequences when laws are broken. Visits from authorities such as the Police and Fire Service help reinforce this message

Promoting the value of Individual Liberty

Within Abbey View School students are actively encouraged to make independent choices knowing that they are in a safe, secure and supportive environment. As a school we educate and provide boundaries for students to make choices safely, through the provision of a safe environment and an empowering education. Students are encouraged to know, understand and exercise their rights, responsibilities and personal freedoms and receive advice about how to exercise these safely.

Promoting the value of Mutual Respect

Respect is at the core of our school ethos and is modelled by students and staff alike. The school promotes respect for others and this is reiterated through our classroom and learning environments. In line with our commitment to democracy students at Abbey View School are always able to voice their opinions in an appropriate manner and we foster an environment where students are safe to disagree with each other. Mutual respect is embraced throughout the school.

Promoting the value of Tolerance of those of different faiths, ideas and religions

This is achieved through equipping students with the ability to understand their place in a culturally diverse society and by giving them opportunities to experience such diversity within the school community.

Should you feel that the school is not meeting this requirement, you should contact the school office and request to express your concerns with the Principal. Likewise, if you feel that anyone working at the school is undermining these values you should report this to the Principal