

Federation of Wallisdean Infant School (including Wallisdean Pre-School) and Wallisdean Junior School

Promoting British Values

The Department for Education state that there is a need "to create and enforce a clear and rigorous expectation on all schools to 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."

In the Federation of Wallisdean Schools, our Learning Power Words: Respectful, Responsible, Resourceful, Confident, Independent, Resilient encompass British Values. We also use Picture News to lead P4C and assemblies, which always focus on a specific British Value. We reinforce our Learning Power Words and British Values regularly throughout the schools and in the following ways.

Democracy

Democracy is embedded in the school life. Pupils are listened to by adults and are taught to listen to each other, respecting the right of every individual to have their opinions and voices heard. Pupils also have the opportunity to air their opinions and ideas through our School Council which is elected solely on pupil votes and so demonstrates democracy in action. House teams elect their House Captains, who then collect house points and award the house cup.

The Rule of Law

At the start of each school year, each class agree their class charter, based on the Unicef Charter of Children's Rights and these rules are consistently reinforced. Children are taught that with rights come responsibilities. The school behaviour policy clearly sets out the expectations and the consequences if wrong choices are made. Junior Road Safety Officers (JRSO) lead training for the whole school linked to road safety, Be Safe Be Seen and cycle safety.

Individual Liberty

Within school, pupils are actively encouraged to make good choices, for example with their behaviour, learning and school uniform, which are rewarded through Golden Time. We educate children to make safe choices through our Clever Never Goes campaign, PSHE and e-safety work within our Curriculum and assemblies. We offer a range of extra-curricular clubs, which the children can choose to attend.

Mutual Respect

Respect is a key Learning Power Word and underpins our work every day both in and out of the classroom. This is promoted in many ways, for example through our Learning Power assemblies where questions are posed and discussed like "How can we show respect for others?"

Tolerance of Those With Different Faiths And Beliefs

Our core value of respect ensures tolerance of those who have different faiths and beliefs. We enhance pupils understanding of different faiths and beliefs through religious education studies and assemblies. In Curriculum units, such as History, we promote the fact that Britain has always been a mix of races and cultures and that this is a strength.