

British Values are promoted at Whitley Park to ensure that the children leave school prepared for life in modern Britain. They are taught in the school curriculum as age appropriate for all pupils, through PSHE, RE, weekly assemblies and whole school events.

Democracy encourages children to listen carefully to one another, and respect the right of others whilst having opportunities to have their own opinions and voices heard. **The Rule of Law** is important for children to understand equality and their rights, to understand how both they should be treated, and how they should treat others. Children are taught the value, importance and reasoning behind why rules exist through school behaviour rules and making positive choices as well as how these balance with consequences. **Individual liberty** is taught through PSHE, to nurture the 'whole child' throughout the school and offers opportunities for children's spiritual, moral, social and cultural (SMSC) development. Children are enabled and taught to have respectful discussions on sensitive subjects. They are encouraged to freely express their faith, feelings and values in an environment of **mutual respect**. Understanding of **tolerance of those of different faiths and beliefs** identifies that children may differ in many ways but they share human and spiritual elements where connections and empathy with each other are respected and celebrated.

All children in the school have a voice that is listened to, through annual pupil surveys and School Council.

At Whitley Park our School Council consists of:

- A committee of year 6 children appointed to lead
- 2 representatives from each class elected by their classmates to represent them

The School Council:

- contributes to the way the school works
- leads projects that foster learning, development and community spirit
- represents classmates in discussion with school staff

School Council children come together to make a difference and build a strong school community.