



British Values

All schools are required by law to teach a broad and balanced curriculum which promotes the spiritual, moral and cultural development of pupils and prepares them for the opportunities, responsibilities and experiences of life. Publicly funded schools are required to promote community cohesion.

The Government set out its definition of British values in the 2011 Prevent Strategy, and these values were reiterated in 2014.

The DfE has recently reinforced the 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.”*

At Leconfield Primary School we work hard to ensure these values are firmly embedded in our school culture and are reinforced regularly.

Democracy

- The School Council at Leconfield Primary School plays an active part in the school community. Every child on the school council is voted for by their peers. There are two representatives from each year group from Year 1 to Year 6. The School Council meets regularly and organises events for our whole school community, e.g. fundraising for deserving charities and for our school.
- Within our creative curriculum our children are taught about and encouraged to respect public institutions and services. The school hosts visitors from the local community and we visit places in our local area such as DST Leconfield, St Catherine’s and St Martin’s Churches, local care homes and the memorial gardens in the village.

The Rule of Law

- At Leconfield Primary School the importance of laws are held in high regard. This includes both those that govern our classrooms and school life or our country.
- In each class, our children are all included in the decision making process to draw up class rules. These rules enable our children to work together effectively. We teach the values and reasons behind our school rules, help children understand their roles and responsibilities in keeping our rules and the consequences when rules are broken.

Individual Liberty

- Leconfield Primary School does not tolerate bullying in any form and we promote a strict and robust anti-bullying culture.
- Our positive behaviour strategy is used and enforced by all adults in our school and our behaviour and discipline policy is regularly reviewed and updated. This allows our children to feel safe and secure at school.

- We encourage children to make individual choices and aim to give them the right and power to act, behave or express themselves in a manner of their own choosing. As a school we demonstrate this through our e-safety and PSHE&C.

Mutual Respect and Tolerance of those of Different Faiths and Beliefs

- Our school ethos embraces mutual respect and children are actively taught that their behaviours can affect their own rights and those of others. Our entire school community understands that all members are expected to treat each other with respect.
- Leconfield Primary School regularly visits the local village church and the church at DST Leconfield for Christmas, Harvest and occasions throughout the year. We also visit the multi faith room at DST Leconfield, a local Synagogue and Hindu Temple. We are lucky to welcome a variety of visitors from a range of communities and organisations into school.
- All children in school actively become involved in supporting a variety of charities throughout the school year. For example, MacMillan, Children in Need, Operation Christmas Child (Shoe Box Appeal), Hull Harp (Homeless charity), SSAFA etc.

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