

TEACHING BRITISH VALUES

The DfE have 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*
- *Mutual Respect and tolerance of those with different faiths and beliefs."*

The government set out its definition of British values in the 2011 Prevent Strategy, and these values have been reiterated by the Prime Minister (2014).

At Gorsemoor these values are reinforced regularly and in the following ways:

❖ Democracy:

- We listen to all views
- We debate arguments for and against
- We get involved
- We express our views peacefully
- We vote and respect the result of the majority

❖ The Rule of Law:

- We make sure rules and expectations are clear
- We know the difference between right and wrong
- We know rules protect us
- We respect the rules
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❖ Individual Liberty (*Freedom*):

- We are responsible for our own behaviour
- We challenge stereotypes and bias
- We are an anti-bullying school
- We promote self-knowledge, self-esteem and self confidence
- We model freedom of speech in a peaceful manner

❖ Mutual Respect and Tolerance of those of Different Faiths and Beliefs (*Respect and Tolerance*) :

- We promote respect
- We have respect for our own and others' cultures
- We discuss differences of faith, ethnicity, disability, gender and families

As well as being embedded in the school ethos. The British values are explicitly covered in our RE/PSHE lessons. At Gorsemoor we follow the Discovery RE scheme of work. See appendix 1 for how the values are addressed through the scheme.

[LINK TO BRITISH VALUES POLICY](#)