



January 2022

Dear Parents and Carers

School Values

We are currently revisiting the school values that underpin our curriculum and which best reflect our approach to teaching and learning. We believe that it is essential that all of our children, parents, staff and governors play a part in contributing towards choosing the values which will drive our school forward. It is also important to us that our school community fully understand our vision for Southway and know how we each play a vital role in translating the vision into an everyday reality. With this in mind we believe that our current values need to be revisited and we are inviting you to choose four core values that you would like seen promoted at Southway. Contributions and suggestions will be also sought from the governors and staff before a final decision is made.

Through the values that are chosen we aim to:

- Improve behaviour, conduct and self-confidence by developing strong values within the pupils at the school.
- Develop pupils understanding of what values are and why they are important in life.
- Encourage children to 'live the values' in all aspects of their lives both in school and out.
- Promote values to pupils in every aspect of school life.
- Promote values in the way in which adults interact with each other and with pupils
- Display our school values and encourage all visitors to take account of them in their time in the school.
- Enable children to focus upon the positive aspects of themselves that they can value, thereby reminding them of their individual worth, their worth in the school and wider communities and the worth of those communities themselves.
- To raise standards by promoting a school ethos that is underpinned by core values which support the development of the whole child as a reflective learner within a calm, caring, happy and purposeful atmosphere

Below is a short list that you can choose from but please feel free to add any that you may feel strongly about. You may also like to discuss these with your child or children.

**Fairness Positivity Enthusiasm Diversity Creativity Happiness Achievement
Wisdom Perseverance Kindness Cooperation Pride Safety Acceptance Respect
Motivation Collaboration Enjoyment Honesty Teamwork Courage Commitment
Persistence Friendship Responsibility Appreciation Empathy Self-control
Challenge Communication Accountability Integrity Community Independence
Sportsmanship Resourcefulness Generosity Ambition Justice Curiosity Leadership
Truthfulness Inclusivity Innovation Dignity Resilience**

The values that are finally chosen will be celebrated in assemblies and displayed in all classrooms. Children will also be recognised and rewarded for living the school's values every week.

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Headteacher: Mr P Newbold

If you would like to contribute, please complete the slip below and return it to school no later than **Friday 21st January 2022.**

Yours sincerely

Mr P Newbold
Headteacher

Please return to the school office via your child by Friday 21st January 2022.

Child's name: _____ Child's class: _____

The four values that I would like to see chosen are:

1: _____

2: _____

3: _____

4: _____

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