

The School Values

Our school values support us in achieving our vision.

Our values were chosen by us as a school, and highlight what is important to us: friendship, love, trust, forgiveness, thankfulness and wisdom.

They are important values that enable us to live well-together.

They are values that are both naturally present in us, like little seeds, but also values that we strive to nurture fully, so that we can have 'life in all its fullness' (John 10:10).

They support us to realise that together, as a community- we love, learn and grow.

Friendship

*If one falls down, a friend can lift him up.
Ecclesiastes 4:10*

We look after each other help and listen

Love

*Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy,
it does not boast.
1Corinthians 13:4*

We respect and care for each other

Trust

*Do not let your hearts be troubled. Trust in
God. John 14:1*

**We trust in each other o make the right
choices**

Forgiveness

*Forgive each other, just as Christ for-
gave you.
Ephesians 4:32*

**We forgive someone if they have done
something wrong**

Thankfulness

*In everything give thanks 1
Thessalonians 5:18*

**We give thanks to God for
everything we have**

Wisdom

*I have filled him with the Spirit of God,
with wisdom, with understanding, with
knowledge and with all kinds of
skills. Exodus 31:3*

**We make good use of what we have
learnt**



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**In God's hands we love,
learn and grow**

*To provide all our children with
knowledge, perseverance and the
imagination to develop their God
given talents, living out Christian
values in order to live happy, fulfilling
and considerate lives. We uphold
the right of every individual to learn,
be valued and achieve their full
academic potential."*

School vision

The Schools Christian Vision

To create a happy, caring and secure atmosphere where every child and member of staff feels valued.

To provide all our children with knowledge, perseverance and the imagination to develop their God-given talents and achieve their full academic potential in order to lead happy, fulfilling and considerate lives.

To promote in our children the desire to contribute positively to their school, their local community and their church, both now and in the years to come.

To create confident and responsible young people who have developed a spirit of adventure and enquiry so that they may meet the opportunities and challenges in our changing society.

To respect the differences in other people and uphold the right of every individual to safety, learning, happiness and respect, promoting the Christian values which underpin the ethos of the School.

In God's hands we love, learn and grow



“What shall we say the kingdom of God is like, or what parable shall we use to describe it? It is like a mustard seed, which is the smallest of all seeds on earth. Yet when planted, it grows and becomes the largest of all garden plants, with such big branches that the birds can perch in its shade.”

Mark 4:30-32 (NIV)

The Vision Explained

The parable of the mustard seed is a key passage that reflects so much of our school vision and motto *In God's hands, we love, learn and grow.*

It can be a metaphor for our children, who blossom during their time here ready for the next stage of their journey. Each child is nurtured here, and enabled to flourish through our teaching and care.

We treat every child with the dignity and respect they deserve as children of God. Each child is like a mustard seed, and each child grows in our school community and is supported by that same school community.

We hope that each child will have an experience of the 'kingdom of God' during their time here; through our daily worship, through wisdom gained from teaching and learning, and particularly through a realisation that 'God is love' and they are loved and therefore part of the God's kingdom - that we are in God's hands.