



Foreword To All School Policies

Rationale

The following pages are the foreword to all of our school policies and should be read before every policy as they place our work in its full context.

Fundamental Principle

Everything which happens at our school is underpinned by:

- *Our Vision Statement*
- *Our 6 Curriculum Themes (Letting Love In, Showing Love to Others, Making a Difference in our Community, Making a difference in the world, Creativity, Dreaming Big Dreams)*
- *Our School's Values – Love, Hope Joy*
- *Safeguarding*
- *Equal Opportunities and Inclusion*

These form the cornerstone of all of our policies and practice.

Our Vision Statement

At Wimborne St Giles we want to create a school that stands out, in which everybody THRIVES, which is firmly rooted in its Christian VALUES of Love, Hope and Joy and which branches out to serve its Local, National and Global COMMUNITY.

As a church school, our Vision is deeply Christian and underpinned by this verse from the Bible: "And the leaves on the tree are for the healing of the nations" Revelation 22:2. We want every child to flourish and to fulfil their potential. We teach children that no two leaves are the same - and neither are they! Throughout their time with us, we instil the sense in them that they are unique, they are special and they are loved.

The visual representation of our vision is a tree with the children as leaves reaching out. We want our children to flourish and be empowered to change the world. Throughout their time with us, children are given regular opportunities to serve their local, national and global community and 'be the change' they want to see in the world.

Our Curriculum Statement

Our six curriculum themes linked to our vision aims to develop our children's awareness about: themselves and others; our world and our role as its custodian and how we can 'be the change we want to see in the world'. At Wimborne St Giles, we believe that through a progressive and carefully sequenced curriculum we are 'planting trees for the future'. We want our children to become compassionate, creative, curious and nurturing global citizens who see themselves as active participants in the world in which they live.



Our School's Christian Values

Through their experiences at our school, children and adults learn about God's love and gain a real understanding of our school Christian values both within the context of our caring, Christian-based environment and within the wider world.

Our Christian values are embedded in all aspects of the school's life, not just R.E. and Worship. Our school's Christian values are explored and referenced across the curriculum frequently. Vitally as a church school, what makes our values 'Christian values' is that they are linked to Christianity (Fruits of the Spirit, Galatians 5:22-23) and placed within a Christian context.





Wimborne St Giles
CE First School

*Our Values are: **Love, Hope and Joy***

Safeguarding

Wimborne St Giles CE First School and Nursery is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of all our children.

This unequivocal principle underpins all aspects of every policy.

Spiritual, Moral, Social and Cultural Development (SMSC)

The Spiritual, Moral, Social and Cultural Development of all learners / stakeholders is inherent in all school policies and practice. Stakeholders must seek every opportunity to develop and enrich the Spiritual, Moral, Social and Cultural understanding and appreciation of all members of our school family.

Equal Opportunities and Inclusion

All children are given equal opportunities at our school irrespective of race, gender, creed, nationality or level of ability. Mutual respect and tolerance for all is promoted at Wimborne St Giles CE First School and Nursery.