

Our New School Values



Cleves School
Learning Together

Cleves' Vision:

Cleves' vision is that all pupils leave Cleves inspired and equipped with the skills, knowledge and emotional well being they need to take on the challenges of a changing and ever more competitive world.

Our aim is to produce well rounded community members at the end of the Cleves experience. We have high expectations of all.

We offer a broad and balanced curriculum to encourage high quality learning; and we offer children a wide range of opportunities and experiences to enthuse and excite them. We teach knowledge, values and skills, and these are all embedded in our personalised curriculum.

A review of our values:

Cleves' trustees and staff have a duty to ensure that pupils learn values that are relevant to the world around them today. Cleves' values had remained the same for some years and society's thinking moves on, so we felt a review was timely.

We have taken time over the review, since the values that we teach are a crucial part of a child's development academically, emotionally and socially. We looked at the values of other local schools and the values of a range of disparate organisations; then we shared with trustees, staff and pupil associate governors a long list of potential values and discussed the existing values and possible new ones. There was a surprising degree of consensus amongst staff, pupils and trustees about the short list we arrived at. School staff felt it was important that all children learned the same values, and that in some cases expectations of older children should be more sophisticated.

Our School Values

Respect

High Aspirations

Kindness

Perseverance

Inclusiveness

Lower school definitions:

Respect

I show respect towards myself and others.

I am polite and have good manners.

I treat my belongings, other people's, and the school's belongings with respect.

High aspirations

I aim high and dream big.

Kindness

I am friendly and caring towards others and myself.

Perseverance

I am courageous and resilient when faced with a challenge.

I use creative ideas to approach challenges in a range of ways.

Inclusiveness

I understand and appreciate that everyone is different and unique.

Upper school definitions:

Respect

I respect differences of opinion, appearance and personality

I respect my environment.

I show humility and am considerate towards others.

High aspirations

I aim high and dream big

I show grit and determination when faced with new challenges.

I have the ambition and focus to achieve my dreams.

Kindness

I am friendly and caring towards others and myself

I show empathy and compassion towards myself and others.

I am selfless and generous with my time and patience.

Perseverance

I am courageous and resilient when faced with a challenge

I use creative ideas to approach challenges in a range of ways

I use self discipline and determination to achieve my goals.

I show commitment and loyalty to those around who will support me.

Inclusiveness

I am receptive to new cultures, beliefs and experiences.

I understand the importance of equality within our community.

I am responsible for ensuring that I treat all people equally and share my concerns with those who do not.

Implementing the values across our school:

All members of staff will be trained to ensure we are all modelling the school values. Children will be taught the values in a variety of ways:

- Through our broad and balanced curriculum - there will be specific lessons to introduce each value and then links will be made across the entire curriculum wherever possible
- Assemblies - delivered by both internal and external speakers
- Displays within class and across the school - children will contribute to displays that illustrate the school values
- As part of our Behaviour Policy - Consequence Meetings will make direct links to the school values

The impact

The aim of teaching these values is that Cleves' pupils:

- are ready for the fast changing world around them;
- are respectful and kind to themselves and others;
- have high aspirations of themselves and achieve their dreams through perseverance;
- and treat all people equally.

By instilling these values our ambition is for Cleves' pupils to be happy, responsible citizens, who make valuable contributions to our society.

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