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Promoting British values at St Wilfrid's Primary School

The government set out its definition of British values in the 2011 Prevent Strategy and considered them to be democracy, rule of law, individual liberty, mutual respect and tolerance of those of different faiths and beliefs.

At St Wilfrid's primary school we seek to embed these values in a number of ways continually throughout the year in each year group which are reinforced during assemblies. The yearly assembly plan clearly outlines the opportunities for reinforcing these British values through our whole school worship plan. As the year progresses many more opportunities arise through world news and local events. Where we feel it appropriate we will raise awareness of issues and the values associated with these.

St Wilfrid's has a set of core values that were created and agreed upon by every stakeholder. These values are part of St Wilfrid's ethos and directly link with British values.

The core values are:

Hope, Friendship, Honesty, Peace, Respect, Trust, Thankfulness and Compassion.

As a school we have a range of opportunities for children to explore and learn about British Values, a few examples are:

DEMOCRACY – The use of pupil voice and the school council to give children their say on issues that matter to them. Democracy is also explored through subjects such as History.

MUTUAL RESPECT – Mutual respect is embraced throughout the curriculum from the concept of 'fair play' in PE to the buddies system in the Early Years. As a core value respect is promoted by staff and children alike.

RULE OF LAW – This is taught through our schools PSE curriculum and behaviour strategies. Ensuring children understand the need for rules and the importance of these to govern and protect us. Visits from authorities such as Police and the Fire Service help us reinforce this message.

TOLERANCE OF DIFFERENT FAITHS AND BELIEFS – A number of celebration days take place throughout the year to celebrate a range of different cultures and faiths from Britain and around the world. Children are encouraged to share their own faiths and beliefs within school from as early as Nursery. Work is carried out using the 'equal rights, equal respect' theme from the Equality and Human Rights commission.

INDIVIDUAL LIBERTY – Our children are actively encouraged to make independent choices knowing that they are in a safe, secure and supportive environment. As a school we educate and provide boundaries for children to make choices safely. Children are encouraged to know, understand and exercise their rights, responsibilities and personal freedoms and receive advice about how to exercise these safely, for example through our exploration during Anti Bullying week and of how to be safe online through our E-safety week and throughout the year.



Assembly Planner 2014-15

Focus points for assemblies this academic year are:

1. **British Values** – to promote these throughout all assemblies: democracy, the rule of law, individual liberty, mutual respect, tolerance of those of different faiths and beliefs.
2. **Learning Behaviours:** Reciprocity, Reflective, Resourceful, Resilience, Perseverance.
3. **Links to local community:** Visits from the local library, theme days, local business / aspirations, supporting local charities, clubs etc... (These events will be added to throughout the year)
4. **Achievements of our school community**
5. **Theme each half term:** Stories , author links, core values of the school, Theme weeks – black history, Remembrance etc...

Assembly Timetable

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MONDAY	Theme focus / core values
TUESDAY	Class assemblies / celebration assemblies / special occasions – harvest, remembrance etc..
WEDNESDAY	Learning Behaviours / team points
THURSDAY	Singing / reflection / prayer.
FRIDAY	Celebration assemblies, achievements.

	Autumn	Spring	Summer
1	<p>Theme Differences, respect, reflection – black history, human rights. Author of the term – reading for enjoyment, voting for favourite books to be purchased for the library. (KS 1 – Julia Donaldson, KS2 – horrible histories)</p> <p>Community: Rev Andrew – harvest - collection for Porch boxes.</p> <p>Learning Behaviours: Every Wednesday assembly and some Monday assemblies.</p> <p>British Values: opportunity to discuss many British Values currently in the news. Democracy (voting for books)</p> <p>Achievements: Every Friday is whole school celebrations.</p>	<p>Theme New Beginnings: New electronic library system, new life, Chinese New Year (year of the Sheep) Author of the term – reading for enjoyment,</p> <p>Community: Rev Andrew – Easter assembly.</p> <p>Learning Behaviours: Every Wednesday assembly and some Monday assemblies.</p> <p>British Values: Individual Liberty, promoting mutual respect, tolerance of those of different faiths and beliefs.</p> <p>Achievements: Every Friday is whole school celebrations.</p>	<p>Theme Good to be me : Encourages self-esteem, celebrating differences between us all, mutual respect, tolerance of others who are different from us etc.. Voting and democracy. Author of the term – reading for enjoyment.</p> <p>Beginning of process for new school council – campaigning and application. (democracy / rule of law link)</p> <p>Community: Rev Andrew , aspirations / careers themes</p> <p>Learning Behaviours: Every Wednesday assembly and some Monday assemblies.</p> <p>British Values: - rule of law, democracy</p> <p>Achievements: Every Friday is whole school celebrations.</p>
2	<p>Theme : Light (Hannukah , star of Bethlehem) Disabilities week and human rights week.</p>	<p>Theme Easter, our core values.</p> <p>Community: Rev Andrew - - easter / easter parade / hats</p> <p>Learning Behaviours: Every</p>	<p>Theme Reflection, hope, change – leavers assembly, Eid,</p> <p>Community: Rev Andrew , aspirations / careers themes – leavers church service.</p>



<p>National Poetry week – Bernard Young, poet – day visit and assembly. Flash Bang Science week / Zoo lab – EYFS. Community: Rev Andrew (remembrance) Christmas. Keeping safe – fireworks , fire service Learning Behaviours: Every Wednesday assembly and some Monday assemblies – reflective , resourcefulness British Values: Class assemblies with religious focus. Rev Andrew from the local church – remembrance day assembly , Christmas celebrations, looking at a British Christmas and traditions from a range of countries and cultures. Hannukah work(17th Dec) – promoting mutual respect, tolerance of those of different faiths and beliefs. Always opportunity to discuss many British Values currently in the news. Achievements: Every Friday is whole school celebrations. Celebration of poetry week and some of the work the children have produced.</p>	<p>Wednesday assembly and some Monday assemblies. British Values: Opportunity to discuss many British Values currently in the news. Achievements: Every Friday is whole school celebrations.</p>	<p>Keeping safe – water / train tracks – fire service. Learning Behaviours: Resourceful, Resilience, Perseverance British Values: Respect Opportunity to discuss many British Values currently in the news. Democracy, Rule of Law Achievements: Every Friday is whole school celebrations. Whole school end of year prize giving, special awards and leavers awards.</p>
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This is not a complete plan of everything, this is the basic overview for the year and themes, celebrations etc will be added as the year goes through.