

## Newbold's School Vision

## Our Vision

At Newbold school we support each other to live, learn and excel together as a Christian community.

"Therefore encourage one another and build each other up,"

1 Thessalonians 5:11

We aim for excellence - building self-confidence and independence so that children are happy and well-motivated; keen to question; inspire and embrace change. Through the Christian ethos of the school, we value difference, diversity, and grow together as a community of lifelong learners.

## Context

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1 Thessalonians 5:11

These words written by Paul to the Thessalonian Church are explained in the following verses. 1 Thessalonians 5: 12-18

We have taken these verses to choose the values we as a school feel are important to focus on, in order to "encourage and build each other up."

### **Our Values**

#### **Courage and Perseverance**

'Therefore encourage one another and build each other up, ' v11

#### **Generosity and Service**

'Now we ask you brothers and sisters, to acknowledge those who work hard among you in the Lord and who admonish you.' v12

#### Respect

'Live in peace with each other.' v13

#### **Justice and Compassion**

'....encourage the disheartened, help the weak, be patient with everyone.' v14

# Friendship, Trust and Forgiveness

'Make sure that nobody pays back wrong for wrong, but always strive to do what is good for each other and for everyone else.' v15

#### **Thankfulness**

'Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances...'
v16-17

British values of liberty, freedom, community, tolerance, respect and law underpin our ethos.

#### **Our Ethos**

Justice and Compassion (1 Thessalonians 5:14)

To create a safe, friendly, caring, working atmosphere, which will help top produce content, confident children.

To recognize and celebrate success in everyone.

To help every child towards personal development in its fullest sense, incorporating spiritual, moral, social and cultural elements, educating the "whole" child through personal relationships to develop an understanding of the values of the Christian faith as well as the school curriculum.

To help children to enjoy and achieve through a broad, balanced, relevant curriculum, with clear expectations and attainable targets enabling all children to reach their full potential.

To build strong collaborative partnerships with families and the local community.

#### **Our expectations**

Courage, Generosity and Service (1 Thessalonians 5:11-12)

To achieve the highest standards possible across the curriculum.

To encourage our children to act responsibly, show initiative, be considerate and respect themselves and others.

To provide the highest quality teaching and learning to enable all children to reach their full potential.

To create a curriculum that will let every child have a equal chance of achieving high academic success.

To provide a safe and supportive environment where children 'enjoy and achieve ' fostering a love of learning.

#### **Individuality**

Perseverance and Respect (1 Thessalonians 5:13)

Children's successes are celebrated and shared, whilst also developing the view that we learn through our mistakes.

Children follow a broad, integrated program based upon the National Curriculum which aims to develop their knowledge, skills and understanding of the world and is a foundation for life long learning.

We believe all children are entitled to learn and develop and we seek to educate the whole child in a Christian environment.

We encourage our children's physical, oral and social development and want them to be successful learners, confident individuals and responsible citizens both now and in the future.

We create learning opportunities both inside and outside the class room with extracurricular activities taking learning beyond the school day.

#### **Working together**

Forgiveness, Friendship, Trust and Thankfulness (1 Thessalonians 5:15-17)

We create a welcoming environment in which the contributions of all pupils, parents, staff, governors and community are valued within a Christian context.

We foster respect for our school, the local community and the wider world.

We used support of St Mathew's Church and the Diocesan Board of Education to ensure children are helped to appreciate and understand the world in which we live and become responsible citizens of the world.

We foster strong links between our school, our parents and our Governing body through effective communication and self evaluation.