



College Road
Primary School



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Dear Parents and Carers,

We are writing with the exciting news that our school is beginning the journey towards becoming a **Values Based School** and we would like to invite you, as parents, to join with us and have your say.

As part of our school improvement plan this year, one of the things we are focusing on is improving the resilience of learners, so that they embrace new challenges and progress more securely across all areas of school life. Our plan to become a Values Based school is one of the ways we are hoping to achieve this.

What is Values Based Education?

It aims to underpin our learners' life and curriculum with universal positive human values such as respect, integrity, honesty and compassion. These can be nurtured to help people discover the very best of themselves, which enables them to be good citizens and prepare them for the life of work.

What will our school look like as a Values Based School?

We are looking to have 22 core values. We will be having a value a month over a 2 year programme (excluding August, when we are not in school). Each month, alongside our curriculum, our school will learn all about the value from lessons, assemblies and role models in the community. We will be encouraging our whole community, including the children, staff, governors and parents to come on the journey with the children to use the language and knowledge of values to develop our moral and ethical compass to guide what is right and what is wrong.

What we would like you to do.

We will be asking all of our school community to help us pick our values. Then we will compile the favourites into our final 22! On the back of this letter, you will find an expansive list of values. We would like to know which you think are the most important 5 values.

We value your opinions and would like you to fill in the enclosed slip and ask your child to give it to their class teacher. The children will receive 5 catch me tickets when they return your slip!

We look forward to compiling the choices and getting back to you soon with more information about this new and exciting pathway for our school.

Thank you in advance for your support in this and if you have any questions then please contact Mr Wallace, Mrs Francis or Mrs Dinham.

Mrs Francis



College Road Primary School is a member of The South West Plymouth Education Trust, a co-operative schools trust.

<p>Acceptance</p> <p>-Being accepted or acceptable and accepting other people.</p>	<p>Consideration</p> <p>-Thinking and reflecting on feelings and actions carefully.</p>	<p>Freedom</p> <p>-Freedom is about rights, responsibilities and self-expression.</p>	<p>Kindness</p> <p>-The quality of being friendly, generous, and considerate</p>	<p>Resilience</p> <p>-The capacity and strength to recover quickly from difficulties.</p>
<p>Appreciation</p> <p>-Not taking things for granted.</p>	<p>Courage</p> <p>-Courage means facing your fears and accepting how you feel and not giving up.</p>	<p>Gratitude</p> <p>-The quality or feeling of being grateful or thankful.</p>	<p>Leadership</p> <p>-Having the confidence to lead and respecting other leaders.</p>	<p>Responsibility</p> <p>-Doing your share – carrying out duties with integrity.</p>
<p>Compassion</p> <p>-A feeling of deep sympathy and sorrow and a strong desire to alleviate the sadness.</p>	<p>Creativity</p> <p>-To create meaningful new ideas and forms.</p>	<p>Growth</p> <p>-Using learning and experiences to develop yourself.</p>	<p>Love</p> <p>-Love involves kindness, caring and understanding As well as taking pleasure in others well-being.</p>	<p>Reliability</p> <p>-The quality of being trustworthy or of performing consistently well.</p>
<p>Caring</p> <p>-Caring for ourselves, other people, our belongings and our environment.</p>	<p>Curiosity</p> <p>-The desire to learn or know about anything.</p>	<p>Happiness</p> <p>-Happiness – a good feeling</p>	<p>Loyalty</p> <p>-Being faithful and devoted to someone or something.</p>	<p>Self-Respect</p> <p>-Pride and confidence in yourself; and behaving with honour and dignity.</p>
<p>Cooperation</p> <p>-Working as a team</p>	<p>Determination</p> <p>-A strong sense of wanting to achieve and making it happen.</p>	<p>Honesty</p> <p>-Honesty is a clear conscience</p>	<p>Openness</p> <p>-A willingness to share yourself, your qualities and experience new things.</p>	<p>Simplicity</p> <p>-Appreciating the simple things in life and nature.</p>
<p>Charity</p> <p>-Generous actions towards those in more need than yourself.</p>	<p>Empathy</p> <p>-The ability to understand and share the feelings of another.</p>	<p>Hope</p> <p>-Believing you have both the will and the way to accomplish your goals whatever they may be.</p>	<p>Optimism</p> <p>-To look on the more favourable side of events or conditions and to expect the most favourable outcome.</p>	<p>Trust</p> <p>-If you're trustworthy you can be relied upon to do the right thing.</p>
<p>Citizenship</p> <p>-Valuing being part of a community and being a valued citizen.</p>	<p>Equality</p> <p>-People being treated fairly and equally despite differences.</p>	<p>Humour</p> <p>-To be able to enjoy moments and be light-hearted.</p>	<p>Patience</p> <p>-Being able to wait contentedly.</p>	<p>Thoughtfulness</p> <p>-Being mindful of other's needs, feelings and putting these before your own.</p>
<p>Community</p> <p>-A group sharing common characteristics or interests.</p>	<p>Fairness</p> <p>-Ensuring things are free from bias and injustice.</p>	<p>Health</p> <p>-Valuing soundness of body or mind and wanting to work towards this.</p>	<p>Peace</p> <p>-External peace – in the world. Internal peace – inside the self.</p>	<p>Tolerance</p> <p>-Tolerance is accepting myself, accepting others and appreciating differences.</p>
<p>Commitment</p> <p>-Showing an engagement to something you pledge yourself to.</p>	<p>Faith</p> <p>-Having confidence, trust and belief in a person or a thing.</p>	<p>Humility</p> <p>-To let go of the ego. A person with humility shows that they accept and listen to others unconditionally.</p>	<p>Perseverance</p> <p>-To keep going in tasks or actions, even when they become difficult.</p>	<p>Unity</p> <p>-Accepting and appreciating each other.</p>
<p>Courtesy</p> <p>-showing manners, polite behaviour and respect.</p>	<p>Forgiveness</p> <p>-To show willingness to allow others to make mistakes and acknowledge your own.</p>	<p>Harmony</p> <p>-Harmony within the group and among the group.</p>	<p>Quality</p> <p>-Quality thoughts lead to quality words lead to quality action.</p>	<p>Understanding</p> <p>-Understanding feelings of others and showing empathy.</p>
<p>Contribution</p> <p>-To give something towards a cause.</p>	<p>Friendship</p> <p>-Friendship is an act of giving to others.</p>	<p>Integrity</p> <p>-Having strong morals and ethics and choosing to follow them.</p>	<p>Respect</p> <p>-Valuing the worth of others and our environment.</p>	<p>Wisdom</p> <p>-Knowledge of what is true or right.</p>

Please help us to decide on what will be College Road Primary school's core 22 Values. As you are an important part of our school community, please give your top 5 and we can then collate all the votes and present our final 22!