

# Core



# Values

Aspiration

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# The Really Important Bits



The truth is abundantly clear to us all; it is not the 'what' but the 'how' that makes the difference. Their thinking around this important and extensive piece of developmental work is that there are intrinsic pedagogical absolutes that must guide how they approach everything they do if they are to achieve the ethos they propound. They acknowledge that whilst there are absolutes they may not have got them quite right and so this will always be a piece of work in progress. Here is the sum of their thinking so far

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Teachers will:	In order that learners:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>☞ Teach the tools in the Toolkits</li> <li>☞ Ask open ended questions and encourage children to ask questions not just answer them.</li> <li>☞ Be enthusiastic about their teaching and choose activities that are engaging.</li> <li>☞ Involve the children in deciding what they need to learn and what engages them and then respect those decisions</li> <li>☞ They will understand, and share with learners, the next steps and the progress they should both expect.</li> <li>☞ Plan links between the subjects and make clear the learning that needs to take place and how it builds on previous experiences.</li> <li>☞ Intervene promptly where misconceptions exist</li> <li>☞ Provide challenge for all.</li> <li>☞ They will celebrate excellence and effort and recognise personal successes and when obstacles have been overcome.</li> <li>☞ Provide opportunities for children to work in a range of groupings.</li> <li>☞ Provide positive encouragement to all.</li> <li>☞ Take risks in their teaching and encourage risk taking in the learning of others</li> <li>☞ Hand children real choices and responsibilities.</li> <li>☞ Model and teach effective life skills.</li> <li>☞ Create an environment, with the learners, through which they can be immersed in all their Core Values</li> <li>☞ Recognise the range of intelligences and learning styles and give learners opportunities to explore them at a personal level.</li> <li>☞ Research and trial new models of teaching, learning, and assessment.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>☞ Can learn to use them effectively</li> <li>☞ Are encouraged to engage, think and ask questions themselves.</li> <li>☞ Become enthused themselves</li> <li>☞ They see a purpose to their learning and become even more enthused and engaged</li> <li>☞ Are clear about how to move forward in their learning. They can then engage in appropriate self-evaluation.</li> <li>☞ Are provided with a range of experiences that enable them to build upon their skills and understanding.</li> <li>☞ Do not waste time and opportunities</li> <li>☞ Maximise their experiences and view challenge as a positive and desirable thing</li> <li>☞ Raise self esteem and underline the importance of effort, resilience and achievement in its widest sense</li> <li>☞ Gain the advantages offered by collaborative learning</li> <li>☞ Be motivated and feel valued</li> <li>☞ Will be encouraged to be entrepreneurial and innovative.</li> <li>☞ Have real ownership of their learning and environment.</li> <li>☞ Enjoy the benefits in a range of contexts</li> <li>☞ Can share in the creation and exemplification of their Core Values so that they can be supported to apply them</li> <li>☞ Know how they best learn and use that information to be most effective.</li> <li>☞ Can experience new strategies and evaluate their effectiveness.</li> </ul>

# The Really Important Bits cont.

## Effective Pedagogy

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It is not enough for teachers and other professionals to commit to a set of pedagogies and approaches, they must also commit as a school. These are the principles, agreed by all teaching and para-professional staff and endorsed by their Governing Body, by which they shall facilitate the entire process and philosophy.

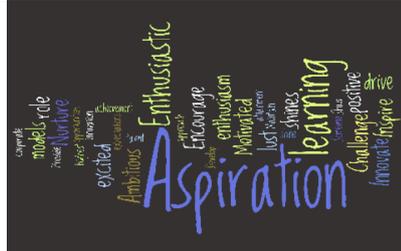
Their School Will:

- Encourage and support innovation
- Have a relentless focus on achievement and attainment for all
- Have the highest expectations
- Maintain a corporate approach
- Provide opportunities to shine
- Develop talent
- Pay attention to detail

# Becoming Aspiring Learners

We want everyone to have ambition and strive to not only achieve their best but continually seek ways of improving beyond that.

## Aspiration



Aspiration is about being:

- Ambitious
- Motivated
- Open to Challenge
- Resilient
- Fulfilled



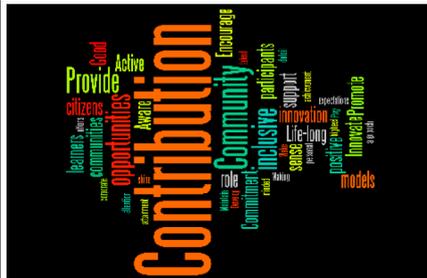
We shall recognise Aspiring Learners because they will:

- ☞ Be able to communicate their aspirations with appropriate support
- ☞ Improve their work and performance by reflecting on what they have learnt and thinking about what they need to do next.
- ☞ Explain why and/or how they are learning something.
- ☞ Suggest ways to improve their own and others' learning.
- ☞ Develop a success criteria.
- ☞ Talk about whether a success criteria has been met.
- ☞ Recognising how success is achieved
- ☞ Make confident judgments about the value of their work and the work of others, explaining their opinions and preferences.
- ☞ Talk about what they can do now that they could not do in the past.
- ☞ Concentrate and complete activities because it feels good to persist.
- ☞ Understand that getting something wrong or being confused is an opportunity for learning.
- ☞ Predict what might happen and change their minds if they think of another solution.
- ☞ Know when a problem has been solved, or if not, to still know they have learnt new things.
- ☞ Explain what they have done and why and what they now think.
- ☞ Challenge ideas and reasoning when they think it does not have good evidence.

# Becoming Contributing Learners

We want everyone to have a sense of belonging and to show active commitment to their communities and to their own personal development.

# Contribution



Contributing is about being:

- Committed
- Proactive
- Efficient
- Self-Aware
- Goal Orientated



We shall recognise Contributing Learners because they will:

- See themselves as partners in their own learning.
- Speak effectively for different purposes and to different people.
- Grasp the importance of utilizing the strengths and talents of all to achieve a common goal.
- Recognize what the common goal is.
- Recognize their own strengths and talents and how they can play a part.
- Play an active role in high quality group learning including planning, organizing, conflict resolution.
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# Becoming Creative Learners

We want everyone to generate and extend ideas, explore possibilities, make connections, solve problems and turn imagination into reality.

## Creativeness



Creativeness is about being:

- Open minded
- Reflective
- Resourceful
- Divergent
- Inquisitive



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- ↳ Use imagination to think of new ideas.
- ↳ Make connections through playing, noticing and experimenting and see how they fit together.
- ↳ Explore and experiment with resources, materials and ideas.
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- ↳ Talk about the different ways to do something.
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- ↳ Surprise others with their ideas for problem solving or getting tasks done.
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- ↳ Get themselves 'unstuck' when they feel stuck in their learning.
- ↳ Communicate through many different ways e.g drawing, writing, dance, music, movement, role play
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# Becoming Respecting Learners

We want everyone to value and celebrate diversity and difference in their learning, relationships and interactions.

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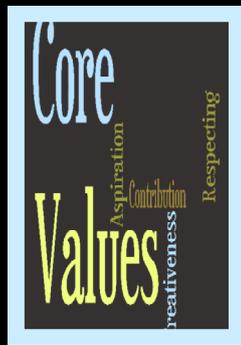
Respecting is about being:

- 👉 Considerate
- 👉 Empathic
- 👉 Evaluative
- 👉 Inclusive
- 👉 Informed



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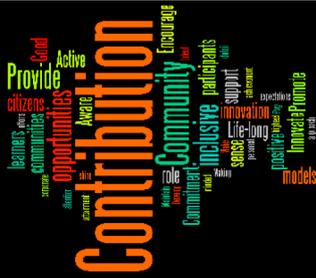


# Upper School pupils define the Strands for children

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