



CATTON GROVE PRIMARY SCHOOL Striving for Excellence

Curriculum Core Values

At Catton Grove Primary School, we have incorporated 11 'Core Values' into our curriculum in order to strengthen the culture and ethos of the school and to help create a strong community identity.

These 'Core Values' have been carefully considered and support our provision for pupils' social, moral, spiritual, cultural and personal development.

We believe that by making these values and principles explicit and by enabling and facilitating their application we can empower our pupils to become the best they can be.

Our 11 Core Values

- **Pride** - *to feel really pleased when we have tried our best at something or worked with others to make a difference.*
- **Respect for ourselves and for others** - *to develop self-respect by understanding we are all unique and to actively look after ourselves by keeping our minds and bodies healthy.*
- *To care about other peoples' thoughts, feelings and beliefs and to act in ways that celebrate what is similar and different between people.*
- **Resilience** - *to understand that we will all face challenges in our lives and the importance of having the right mindset and actions to rise to these challenges and 'bounce back' again when things get tough.*
- **Creativity** - *to use our imaginations to express ourselves in different ways, to explore ideas, solve problems and think outside the box.*
- **Gratitude** - *to focus on what's good in our lives and be thankful for the things we have.*
- **Change** - *to understand the power of change and when it is used positively, it can make us a better person and can improve the lives of others.*
- **Independence** - *to develop our independence by becoming more confident in our abilities, our choices and decisions and the way we can take on more responsibility, with a positive mindset.*
- **Ambition** - *to set ourselves challenging goals and know that if we work hard and be resilient, then our dreams might come true!*
- **Adventure** - *to deliberately try new challenges and experiences that stretch ourselves and show us what we never knew we were capable of!*
- **Unity** - *to enjoy co-operating with others so that we can share ideas and opinions to improve the world we live in and celebrate what we collectively achieve within our 'school family'.*
- **Wisdom** - *to take all that we learn and the experiences that we have and think deeply about them so that we use this new learning to make good decisions and be even better in the future.*

Values into Action!

Each month, 1 of the core values is introduced across the whole school in an assembly so that the pupils develop their knowledge about why this value has been chosen.

Then, at class level, the pupils apply their understanding and work out different ways this value can be put into action.

If pupils demonstrate these actions for the whole month, they earn a class reward for their efforts.

In addition, each week, individual pupils will be chosen to be the 'Star of the Week' for demonstrating significant effort linked to the Core Value. These personal achievements are celebrated in a school assembly and certificates displayed for the whole school to see!