

Social Curriculum at Hermitage Primary School

At Hermitage, we know how important it is to develop the whole child. We want our pupils to leave our school as well-rounded individuals who are ready to face life's challenges, but have a strong moral purpose. From Nursery, all the way to Year 6, we work hard to develop learning traits such as resilience, resourcefulness and independence of thought. However, being kind to others, accepting people's differences and understanding their place in the community is of equal importance. We achieve this through:

- Our Caring Code
- Our 'Daily Reflection' programme (see below for details)
- Assemblies and class circle time
- Our Personal, Social, Health and Economic programme
- Embedding behaviours for learning
- Developing British Values
- Teaching Spiritual, Moral, Social and Cultural (SMSC) Education
- Developing links with the community
- Encouraging a culture of giving back through the work of our Community Council
- Focussing on our 'Hermitage Values'



British Values and SMSC

We strive to teach British Values and Spiritual, Moral, Social and Cultural (SMSC) education through assemblies, speakers, trips, visits and general discussion.

UNICEF Rights Respecting School



At Hermitage Primary School, we strive to be a school where every aspect of a child is focused on and developed, including their well-being. As part of our school's aims to promote a happy and successful school, we are working towards recognition as a 'Rights Respecting School'. This is an award which is given to schools on behalf of UNICEF.

UNICEF is the world's leading organisation working for children and their rights. In 1989, governments worldwide promised all children the same rights by adopting the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child (CRC). These rights are based on what a child needs to survive, grow, participate and fulfil their potential. The 'Rights Respecting Schools'

award (RRSA) will help our pupils to grow into confident, caring and responsible young citizens both in school and within the wider community. By learning about their rights our pupils, your children, also learn about the importance of respecting the rights of others.

Hermitage Primary School pupils are encouraged to reflect on how their behaviour and actions affect those around them. This allows us to build and maintain a positive and safe learning environment for all, both in the classroom and around the school site. We really hope that you will feel able to support us and your child in working towards our goal of being a 'Rights Respecting School'.