

Ecclesall Kids Club 1.2aa British Values Statement

What are British Values?

Fundamental British Values underpin what it is to be a citizen in a modern and diverse Great Britain valuing our community and celebrating diversity of the UK.

These values are:

- Democracy,
- Rule of Law,
- Individual Liberty
- Mutual Respect for and Tolerance of those with different faiths and beliefs and those without faith,

At Ecclesall kids club we take very seriously our responsibility to prepare children for life, we ensure the fundamental British Values are introduced, discussed and lived out through the club ethos alongside children's spiritual, moral, social and cultural (SMSC) development.

Promoting British Values

Ecclesall Kids Club is committed to serving its community. It recognises the multi cultural, multi faith and ever changing Nature of the United Kingdom. It also understands the vital role the setting has in ensuring that groups or individual members within our clubs are not subjected to intimidation or radicalisation by those wishing to unduly, or illegally influence them. It follows equal opportunities guidance which states that there will be no discrimination against any individual or group, regardless of faith, ethnicity, gender, sexuality, political or financial status, or similar.

Ecclesall Kids Club is dedicated to preparing our children and young people for their adult life, ensuring that it promotes and reinforces British Values. We challenge children, staff or parents who expressed opinions contrary to fundamental British Values.

Ecclesall Kids Club seeks to embed the British values, in some of the following ways, listed below:

Democracy:

- We respect, listen to and act upon children's, parents and staffs voices. Our children, parents and staff have their voice heard through club surveys, the children's suggestion book and our email box is also available to all parents to communicate their views.
- We are a committee run club; the committee is there to represent the voices of our users.



Rule of law:

- The importance of laws and rules whether they are those of the club or the country are reinforced throughout the club.
- Our children are taught the value and reasons for the laws and rules that are there to protect us, the responsibilities that are involved as well as what the consequences are when rules are broken.
- Our behaviour policy clearly outlines expectations and children are aware of the consequences of their actions.
- We use positive strategies to handle any conflict and praise and acknowledge desirable behaviours.
- We document all incidents of behaviour that is deemed a breach of our behaviour policy.
- Incidents are monitored and preventative action taken where necessary.
- Visits from the wider community such as, fire, police, church and other services and organisations of authority support and reinforce the importance of rules and following them.
- Our children, parents and staff all have surveys that enable them to share their views of club.

Individual liberty:

- Our children regularly encouraged to make their own choices through play/ activities on offer, choosing their breakfast/snack and becoming independent for example putting on their own coats and carrying their own belongings etc.
- Our children are actively encouraged to make independent choices; with the knowledge the staff are there to support their choices.
- As a club we encourage free flow play, allowing the children to make their own choices on where and what they would like to play with.
- As a club we educate and set boundaries for our children to enable them to make choices safely and know their rights and personal freedoms and how these can be fulfilled safely within our club.
- As a club our staff promote, PARS in play. PARS empowers adults to enable children make their own choices about how they spend their free time. Research has found PARS practitioners are less likely to intervene in children's self-directed activities and are more open to children's risk taking behaviours, which increases children's social and emotional development and resilience (Chan et al, 2020)



Mutual respect for and Tolerance of those with different faiths and beliefs and for those without faith:

- Ecclesall Kids Club values all children and families. We celebrate rich culture and religious diversity and promote mutual respect.
- Our children are encouraged to understand that other people having different faiths and/or beliefs should be accepted and tolerated and should not cause prejudice or discriminatory behaviour.
- Our children learn that their behaviour has an effect on their own rights and those of others.
- Our children and staff know what is expected and that respect is shown to everyone, including visitors, regardless of our differences.
- We are polite and courteous in our behaviours towards others.
- Our staff help our children to understand how their behaviours and words can affect others.
- All children and staff, regardless of their additional needs, are valued for their individuality and supported to achieve their best.
- Our Children are taught life is not the same for everyone around the world and we support charities such as Children in Need and Red Nose Day.
- We celebrate national celebrations from around the world and other historical events, this enables us to actively promote diversity within our club and enhances the children's understanding through fun activities.
- We ensure our posters, displays and messages of welcome reflect the wide range of languages and cultures that we are fortunate to have in our club.
- We monitor all forms of bullying and harassment and actively promote courtesy and good manners towards all.

Extremism

Ecclesall Kids Club is aware of the need to become vigilant when it comes to extreme attitudes or behaviour of any kind and appropriate actions will be taken accordingly. All staff are aware of the need to alert the Designated Safeguarding Lead if they have any concerns of this nature.

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