



**How do our school vision and values impact on your child?**

“The school’s values are an essential crucible for an all round development”

“I think it motivates children to be the best version of themselves. It also helps them to think of their actions in terms of the greater good. I think it raises kind, self motivated children”

“My older child often refers to the school values and encourages the rest of the family to demonstrate them too.”

“My child uses these values in life outside of school and will often say I've just shown \*insert value\* just like we are doing at school.”

“In Stewardship, for example, our children can see how we should think of others, look out for those less well off than ourselves and do acts of kindness for others - just as Jesus did in his daily walks of life.”

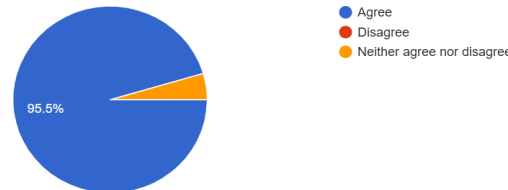
“My daughter is in year 1 and whenever she faces a challenge she reminds herself of one of the values to help encourage her to keep on going. I absolutely love the fact that she confidently uses these words.”

“Holistic development. The values are a foundation for growth mindset. Attitude to life! The ethos that is bought into by all staff creates a coherent learning environment which is embodied by Senior Leadership who are positive role models”

“She is learning the same values she learns at home and in church - therefore school reinforces these values and allows her to grow in confidence of the truth of God’s principles and ways. This means she is developing in becoming more Christ-like - and for this to be normal in her school environment is very encouraging for her, and gives her the space to truly embrace Gods values and ways - as she can see everyone being taught to apply them and it helps her use them in challenges with friends and any day to day life situations.”

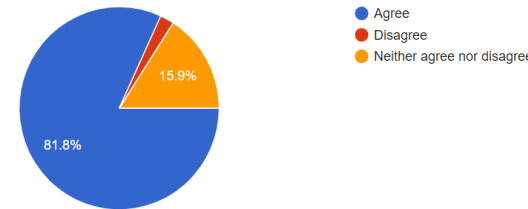
The school's core Christian Values of Identity, Drive, Excellence, Character, Teamwork and Stewardship impact on my child and enable them to flourish as an individual.

44 responses



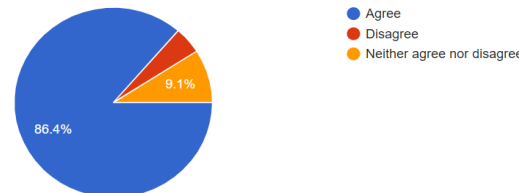
It is important to us as a family that our child attends a church school.

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As a parent I feel able to enjoy and participate in the Christian Ethos of the School. I have participated in the Easter Service, Harvest Festival, sharing assemblies etc...

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**What do you like about the school as a church school?**

“Gives children the right groundings as to what is right and what is wrong from a Biblical perspective, and from this platform, how to influence others through Godly love and wisdom.”

“That the worship to Jesus is a key part of school life”  
“It has such a community feel. It's not just a school for the children but the whole family.”

“Encourages good morals for life. The ethos, the displays.”

“As a Christian, it is very important to me that my child’s school encourages that side of his life and invests into his moral and spiritual development. My experience of that at St John’s has been extremely positive.”

“Whether or not you believe in the spiritual aspects of the school's ethos, the values that it is run are undeniably positive - helping children's holistic development not just in areas of traditional learning. We as a family do not identify with religious beliefs but it is nice that children learn about it”

“I like how the school values are linked with biblical principles and the impact its making in our children's lives within school and beyond”

“It is grounded in more than just SATs. It forces the school to look beyond its own boundaries and out into both the community and the spiritual world.”

“Prayers, worship, Christian festivals celebrated, Christian nativities, bible readings. It gives an integral approach to our faith, being a Christian is just normal life.. school, work, church, we take Jesus everywhere we go.. It is the most valuable part of our existence so having it in our school life for our children is so important but also just should be a normal overflow of life.”

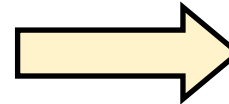


***We've listened to your next steps and ideas for further development. This is what we've done already...***

**You said...**

You would like more explanations of the Bible scripture within our daily practise...

**So we...**

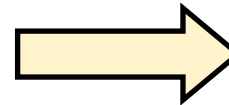


...will share with you what we do already. We spend quality time unpicking the scriptures as part of our Learning Forums as well as during Monday worship sessions, led by Mr Watson. Mr Watson will share the new focus each week during Celebration worship.

**You said...**

You would like to know more about what your child is learning about in R.E. including the main world religions and how they are taught.

**So we...**

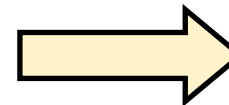


...have created an R.E. newsletter which will be distributed to you via email and through a paper copy each half term. This will include the religions they are learning about and the key question they will be studying.  
We are also busy behind the scenes creating a new 'St. John's Newspaper'. This will be written by child reporters and sent home monthly. They will share news from around the school, with a particular focus on learning in the classroom as well as all aspects of child leadership from across the school.

**You said...**

You would like for there to be more opportunities for children to explore and study prayers and worship

**So we...**



...will share with you what we do already.  
-PAIS and Spotlight Worship team work together to write prayers alongside children in the school.  
-Facilitated by Miss Smalldon, the Prayer Garden team plan, teach and evaluate activities daily. The activities include: prayer, bible stories and the creative arts (such as Dance, Drama and Art)  
-Each class spends at least 5minutes daily, focussing on prayer as well as whole school daily worship– through words and songs