

Promoting Fundamental British Values at Heltwate School

In accordance with The Department for Education (2014) we aim to actively promote British values to ensure young people leave school prepared for life in modern Britain.

These values are:

- Democracy
- Rule of Law
- Individual Liberty
- Mutual Respect and Tolerance of those of different faiths and beliefs, and those with no faith

The values underpin the <u>Universal Declaration of Human Rights</u>, and in accordance with this, should not be seen as British only Values, but as Universal Values. Indeed, over 100 countries have signed up to the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and have therefore given their commitment to achieving them.

Pupils are encouraged to regard people of all faiths, races and cultures with respect and tolerance and understand that while different people may hold different views about what is 'right' and 'wrong', all people living in England are subject to its law.

At Heltwate, our British Values work is embedded throughout our practice, giving our young people the opportunity to explore, understand and celebrate their own rights and identity as well as those of others.

Our work in this area also supports us also to fulfil duties such as: The Equality Act 2010 and the duty to promote Community Cohesion, Safeguarding, PREVENT, and The Public Sector Equality Duty.

Promoting Equality and Diversity at Heltwate School

The Equality Act 2010 requires us to publish information that demonstrates that we have due regard for the need to:

- Eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment, victimisation and any other conduct prohibited by the Equality Act 2010
- Advance equality of opportunity between people who share a protected characteristic and people who do not share it
- Foster good relations between people who share a protected characteristic and people who do not share it.

For more information on Equality and Diversity at Heltwate, please see our accessibility and equality policies.

We were very pleased to be awarded our Equalities Award Bronze, awarded in February 2023.