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Principles and Implementation Agreed by governors: September 2022 Implementation date: September 2022 Review date: September 2025

Vision, Ethos and Values



Background

Our Ethos and Values Statement is an easy to understand model of religious education in St Oswald's. Children in our school know that love is the most important value of all, in line with the new command that Jesus gave us to love one another, which is why this is placed above all in our statement.

Mission Statement

Sitting below love lies our school's mission statement: *Aspire, Believe, Connect.* As easy as A, B, C, this statement is easy to remember and most importantly represents what we want our children to do in every aspect of their education and lives.

Core Christian Values

The mission statement is underpinned by six core Christian values that each link to one aspect of *Aspire, Believe, Connect.* As children aspire to be the best they can be in every way, they will grow in wisdom. In order to believe in themselves and develop their own beliefs about the world around them, our children are taught about the importance of trust and strength on their journey. We also believe in the values of peace and friendship in helping us to connect with those around us.

At St Oswald's CE VA Primary School, we acknowledge the importance of sun protection and want staff and children to enjoy the sun safely. We will work with staff and parents to achieve this through:

EDUCATION - the following measures will be undertaken by all staff:

- All children will have a lesson on keeping safe in the sun at the start of the Summer term.
- Parents and carers will be sent a letter explaining what we are doing about sun protection and how they can help at the beginning of the summer term and during summer holidays.
- Information on sun safety will be made available on the school website

<u>PROTECTION</u> - this is more of an ongoing process.

Shade:

- When the sun is strong we will encourage children to sit/play in the shade where it is available.
- The outdoor wooded area and outdoor classroom will be open for children to access during playtimes and lunchtimes on sunny days and the outside classroom to provide additional shaded areas.

Timetabling:

• Children will spend more time playing outside before 11am and after 3pm, and less time outside over lunch on particularly sunny days.

Clothing:

- Children are required to wear hats that cover the ears, face and neck between 11am and 3pm.
- Children who do not have a hat will be provided with one from school.
- All staff will be encouraged to wear hats when outside to encourage safety in the sun.

Sunscreen:

- We will send letters home asking for permission for staff to supervise children to apply sunscreen on days when the sun is strong.
- Parents and carers are strongly advised to bring in their own clearly labelled bottle of sunscreen for their child, at least factor SPF 15+.