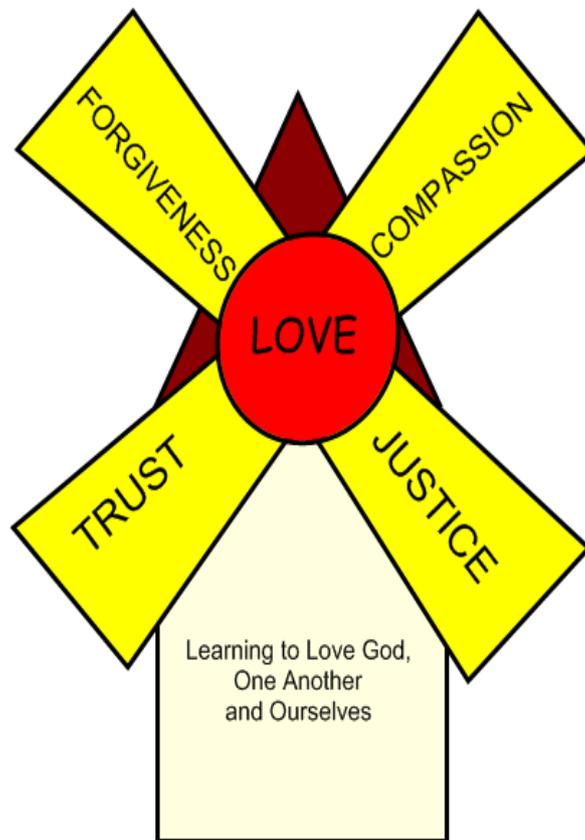


Bembridge CE Primary School

‘Learning to Love God, One Another and Ourselves’



Our Christian Values

Love

"God is Love" *(1 John 4:16)*

Love is a Core Christian Value for our school because God is at the heart of what it is to be a Christian. We put others before ourselves and are motivated to help others by showing kindness and display gratitude when others serve us. We give love and respect all others.

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Our statement puts this central element of Christian behaviour at the heart of the life of the school.

Children will:

- Aspire to achieve their best
- Have a sense of responsibility
- Choose to help others
- Show kindness towards others
- Be thankful
- Contribute to the well-being of others
- Celebrate progress, achievement and effort of all including themselves

Forgiveness

*Jesus said: "Forgive, seventy times seven"
(Matthew 18:21).*

Forgiveness is a Core Christian Value for our school because we aim to forgive others if they do wrong and keep on forgiving but only if that person asks to be forgiven and means it. It is easy to say sorry and think everything is okay but to be truly sorry means we know what we have done wrong and try our hardest not to do it again.

Children will:

- Enable others to make a new start
- Ask for forgiveness – putting themselves in the hands of God and others
- Offer forgiveness – taking the risk that someone will continue to let them down
- Say sorry as a good starting point

We learn of **Forgiveness** through stories in the Bible.

The Bible:

Jacob and Esau : Genesis 25, 27, 32, 33

The Two Prayers : Matthew 6 Luke 7

Joseph – forgiveness among brothers: Genesis 37-50

The Prodigal Son: Luke 15:11-32

Zaccheus

The Parable of the Unforgiving Servant: Matthew 18:21-35

Crucifixion of Jesus: Luke 23:33-34, 46

The Parable of the Lost Sheep

Peter

Justice

*"The righteous care about justice for the poor"
(Proverbs 29:7)*

Justice is a Core Christian Value for our school because we are a community where we want everyone to be treated fairly.

Children will:

- Aspire to achieve so that they can support others in turn
- Drive to make the world a fairer place
- Take responsibility when they spot injustice

We learn of **Justice** through stories in the Bible.

The Bible:

Jesus in the Temple Courtyard: Matthew 21:12-13

The Parable of the sheep and the goats: Matthew 25:31-45

The Parable of the rich man and Lazarus: Luke 16:19-31

Naboth's vineyard: 1 Kings 21

The Parable of the Persistent Widow: Luke 18:3

Moses and the Pharaoh: Exodus 4-6

Trust

"Trust in the Lord" (central theme to Psalms)

Trust is a Core Christian Value for our school because it is essential to human life and lies at the heart of all relationships. We trust in God so that we will be led on the right path. We trust in others in the hope that they will not let us down. We trust each other so we can work together to make our school a better place.

Children will:

- Look for the best in others
- Trust their own judgements – putting their trust in the right things
- Be dependable and not let others down
- Have a strong sense of things that are truly important in life

We learn of **Trust** through stories in the Bible.

The Bible:

David and Goliath: Samuel 17:45-47

The Mustard Seed: Matthew 17:20

The Parable of the Good Samaritan

Abraham and Isaac

Jesus Calms the Storm: Matthew 8:23-26

Mary and Joseph

Compassion

"The Lord is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger rich in love" (Psalms 145:8-9)

Compassion is a Core Christian Value for our school because Jesus has inspired us to be compassionate. Compassion is central to the life of Jesus. We try to "put ourselves in others shoes". How would we feel if it happened to us? How can we help and support each other?

Children will:

- Have a deep sense of understanding
- Care about the impact of decisions on others
- Have empathy for the struggles of others

We learn of **Compassion** through stories in the Bible.

The Bible:

The Parable of the Good Samaritan: Luke 10:26-37

David and Saul: 2 Samuel 9

The Prodigal Son – father filled with compassion: Luke 15:11-32

The Vine and the branches: John 15:9-15

Zaccheus- love the unlovable: Luke 19: 1-10

Baby in the Bulrushes: Exodus 1,2

Jonah

Healing stories- Jesus heals a leper: Luke 5

