



## **British Values Statement - History**

British values are embedded within the History curriculum across all year groups. Year 7 explore democracy by learning about the changing nature of power throughout medieval and early modern Britain. For example, the Norman Invasion, the Magna Carta, and the British Civil War teach pupils about the difference between autocratic and democratic rule.

Tolerance of those with different faiths and beliefs is a key theme throughout the History curriculum. Year 9 learn about the Holocaust, the Cambodian genocide and the Rwandan genocide which serve as an important reminder of the dangers of not accepting diversity. By looking at the treatment of Native Americans in the USA, Year 10 deepen their understanding of the importance of tolerance and mutual respect.

The History curriculum also ensures that pupils have an understanding of Britain's role in shaping world history. For example, Year 8 cover British Empire and the Slave Trade. Furthermore, Year 9 explore the brutality of warfare during WW2, including the bombing of Dresden. This allows pupils to appreciate the dangers of empire and nationalism, and develop an understanding that Britain did not always promote democracy, tolerance and mutual respect. Pupils can use this knowledge to develop a deeper appreciation of these modern British values.

Finally, the rule of law is explored within Crime and Punishment schemes of learning in both Y7 and Y10. Students explore the changing nature of law within Britain, and assess the morality of punishments from the year 1000 to the present day.