

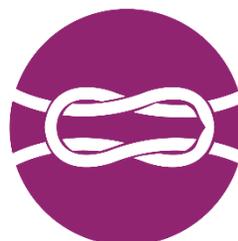
# SS Simon and Jude CE Primary School

## Our Christian Values



### PERSEVERANCE

As a school community we value and celebrate perseverance by encouraging one another to take one step at a time to achieve our goals. Sometimes we may feel discouraged, but we foster a culture that recognises that very little that is really worthwhile in life can be achieved without perseverance.



### TRUST

Trust is an important value in our school community. It is the glue that holds our relationship together. We encourage children to reflect upon why trust is so crucial in building relationships and what the consequences might be when it is broken. Children know that trust must be earned.



### COMPASSION

Compassion is about standing in someone else's shoes. As a community, we try to share one another's burdens, encouraging an attitude of empathy and understanding of others. We celebrate the rich diversity in our school and offer a welcome to all those joining our community, especially those in any kind of need.



### FRIENDSHIP

Learning to be a good friend, someone who can be trusted and is loyal, can often take a long time. At SSSJ, we compare friendships to buildings - they have to have a firm foundations of trust and encouragement. Our friends come in all different shapes and sizes, some are young, some are old, some we see all the time and some we see occasionally. We encourage children to be the best friend they can be.



### LOVE

In our community, love forms the basis of all that we do. We share a love of learning, love for one another and love for the world that God made. We show love to each other through small acts of kindness and through encouraging others with kind words, remembering that God loves us and we can love ourselves and others. We will let our love shine every day.



### JUSTICE

When we explore our value 'justice', we know it means more than just making things fair. In order for our school community to live in harmony, it is important to have rules and laws that everyone follows. We talk about these rules and the impact that not living by rules could have on our school but ultimately on the wider world.

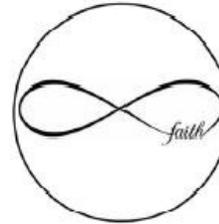
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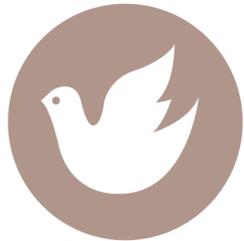
### REVERENCE

When you show reverence, you show deep respect for someone or something. We understand that we are all special, and we celebrate our differences. Reverence is a core value within our school as it is the foundation stone of relationships within our community. We learn to value ourselves, each other and the wider community through honesty, tolerance and trust where everyone has equal right to our time and attention.



### FAITH

At SSSJ, we believe that faith is our firm foundation on which everything else is built upon. We are rooted in our faith in God but also in faith, trust and confidence in ourselves, others and in the children we teach. We encourage children to develop faith in themselves and develop core beliefs to equip them as they leave our school and step out into the world.



### FORGIVENESS

When we think about forgiveness we know that it is more than just saying sorry. Everyone makes mistakes, it's part of being human but sometimes our mistakes can hurt others. Sometimes other people make mistakes and we need to forgive them. Forgiveness can be difficult but without it, a new start is impossible. This links to our good to be green system where each child is given a new start every day.



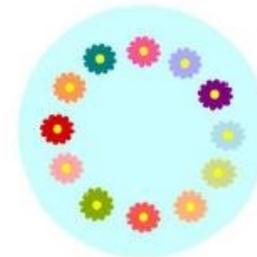
### HOPE

Hope is more than wishful thinking. We aim to raise the children's aspirations through creating a culture within school where each member of our community strives to always do their best. We challenge children in their thinking, taking them out of their comfort zone. We encourage children to question the world around them and to challenge any social injustice.



### THANKFULNESS

An attitude of thankfulness is what we aim to cultivate. We think about the old saying 'Count your blessings' as it reminds us to be thankful and not to take things for granted. A heart full of gratitude helps us to endure any difficulties we may face. Our school community uses good manners as this is one way to show that we are thankful for what we have received.



### PEACE

In school, we explore the different meanings of peace such as when it is quiet; things that make for peace of mind and the qualities of a peacemaker. We also explore how we can use peace to all live in harmony together.