

Welcome to “Experience Values” at Haresfield

Our values are a central part of our teaching and learning in school and we would like you to be part of that, to feel that you can contribute and share in giving our children a strong Christian foundation for life.

What are “Values for Life?”

- “Values for Life” is a Diocesan resource produced for Church schools.
- It is firmly based on the teachings of Jesus and has its roots in the Bible.
- There are 18 values, of which we have selected 12 which come with suggested Bible stories and other contemporary stories and ideas for developing links with the children.

Why do we want you to be part of this?

- We know from our conversations with you that you value the opportunities that the children have to learn about Christianity and to develop an understanding of Bible stories.
- All of you have values that you want your children to grow up knowing and living.
- If we teach the children about taking responsibility but fail to take responsibility ourselves then our values are words we speak but never live.

What is this afternoon about?

- It's an opportunity to share your family values to tell us what is important to you.
- To reflect on our ethos as distinctly Christian.
- To share and engage in some of our "Value" based activities that the children really enjoy taking part in.
- To talk to us, each other and our older children about any ideas you have for developing our community and Church links.

It is not about

- Telling you how to live.
- Saying you must go to Church.
- Trying to indoctrinate your children.

Compassion

- All the activities around school are based on this terms value.
- There are people at each activity to guide you and talk to you.
- Please feel free to join in with your child or children together or individually.
- Please feel free to just watch.
- We would be grateful for your feedback both written and oral.

Our 12 Values at haresfield

- Friendship
- Responsibility
- Peace
- Compassion
- Thankfulness
- Courage
- Generosity
- Forgiveness
- Perseverance
- Respect
- Service
- Trust