



Our Christian Values

God teaches us to forgive and always accept forgiveness

We receive the Christian way of life as a gift from God

We believe and trust in God who loves each one of us

We are all unique children of God

Whatever you wish that men would do to you do to them

We are all equally precious and loved by God

COMMUNITY COHESION POLICY

Definition

The Department for Children Schools and Families Guidance on the duty to promote community Cohesion (July 2007) states:

‘By community cohesion we mean working towards a society in which:

- There is a common vision and sense of belonging by all communities
- The diversity of people’s backgrounds and circumstances is appreciated and valued
- Similar life opportunities are available to all and
- Strong positive relationships exist and continue to be developed in the workplace, in schools and in the wider community’

As a school we are committed to promoting community cohesion through our teaching, learning and curriculum. We ensure that there are equal opportunities for all; strive to remove barriers and eliminate gaps in success for vulnerable groups, develop links with provisions, in order to promote extended services.

At Burham CE Primary we value our staff, pupils, their families and the wider community as part of our whole school Christian community. As a school we feel it is important to include and support both pupils and adults. We have many ways in which both pupils and their families can communicate or be heard.

Meeting the Four Dimensions of Community

The School as a community

- School Meeting (Reflective Worship)

- School Pupil Council
- AEN Leader
- Family Liaison Officers
- Newsletters (Headteacher.)
- Coffee mornings
- Exhibition of pupils' work at end of enrichment weeks

The Community within which the school is located

Our school is committed to working with outside groups and agencies

- School Nurse
- Surestart
- Social Services
- PCSO
- Attendance Officer

Burham is also committed to working with supporting our local community

- Transition points for pupils
- Clubs
- Volunteers
- Working with local community officers
- Working with other local schools
- Working with other Church schools
- Attendance at local Church services with our families
- Attendance at Church festivals in the Diocese

The United Kingdom and Global Community

We have also forged links with the wider community by supporting Charities both local and further afield.

For example

- Demelza House and chYps (Local children's hospices.)
- Surestart. (Volunteer service for parent support of pre school children.)
- Red Nose Day. (All good causes.)
- Salvation Army
- Children in Need
- Christian Hope International
- Macmillan Breast Cancer Awareness

Burham has also made a link with an Anglican school in another locality that has a much higher ethnic minority mix.

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