



Queen's Croft High School

BRITISH VALUES STATEMENT

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At Queen's Croft High School, we actively promote positive, inclusive values. These include democracy, the rule of law, individual liberty, and mutual respect for and tolerance of those of different faiths and beliefs. We believe British values are those values expected of anyone living in Britain, regardless of their nationality, culture or religious belief.

Our ethos reflects these values. We place great emphasis on building positive relationships in school, amongst the students themselves and between staff and students. We strongly believe students should not merely be taught such values but that they are embedded into school life and how we do things.

We strive to support our students to develop into confident, happy, successful young adults who have empathy towards and an understanding of those less fortunate than themselves.

The school works to promote British values through a broad and balanced curriculum, and through social, moral, cultural and spiritual development. This happens in dedicated Personal, Social and Health Education lessons but also across the whole curriculum where tolerance is promoted and disrespect of others is challenged. This is in line with the 2008 *National Curriculum* which states that:

The school curriculum should contribute to the development of pupils' sense of identity through knowledge and understanding of the spiritual, moral, social and cultural heritages of Britain's diverse society and of the local, national, European, Commonwealth and global dimensions of their lives.

Teachers at Queen's Croft High School have a professional obligation to promote British values as set out in the Teacher Standards 2011:

Teachers uphold public trust in the profession and maintain high standards of ethics and behaviour, within and outside school, by not undermining fundamental British values, including democracy, the rule of law, individual liberty and mutual respect, and tolerance of those with different faiths and beliefs