

# St Alban's School Vision and Values

**Inspiration** + **Love** + **Excellence**

*Inspired to make a difference in God's world with excellence and love.*



St Alban's is a Church of England school in which children are educated in a caring Christian environment. Governors and staff value working in partnership with parents to prepare children for the challenges and many opportunities they will meet as citizens of tomorrow. The three core principles that guide our work are inspiration, love and excellence:

**Inspiration** Through all aspects of our curriculum we aim to inspire in children a love of learning, awe and wonder at the world around them, and a genuine desire to develop and use their talents for the benefit of society.

**Love** We aim for all children to know they are unconditionally loved by God and valued by the whole community as unique and special individuals. We teach children how to love others by following in the footsteps of Jesus and how to love God's world as responsible stewards.

**Excellence** We have high expectations of all learners, providing opportunities and removing barriers to ensure all children can achieve more than they ever thought possible. We will enable children to develop the resilience, perseverance and motivation needed to aim for excellence in all aspects of life, including attitudes and conduct.



As a Church school we have a distinctive character where Christian values underpin all aspects of school life. The key Christian values that we will promote in all that we do are:

- **Love:** respect, affection, good-will and selfless concern, putting others first before oneself.
- **Thankfulness:** praise to God for providing all that sustains our life today, recognition that the things around us are a gift from God not a right.
- **Compassion:** having sympathy and concern for others and actually doing something about making their life or situation better.
- **Hope:** knowing that God can be relied on.

British values: in all aspects of our work we will promote the British values that are rooted in the five key principles of: democracy; the rule of law; individual liberty; mutual respect; tolerance of those of different faiths and beliefs. We are committed to doing all that we can to prevent attitudes of prejudice and intolerance and will challenge these negative traits wherever we may encounter them.

## Our Vision for all Learners



We aim to provide a first class education for all learners founded on Christian values so that, during their time at our school, all children can:

- develop a personal faith and spirituality
- know that they are unique and precious, loved by God
- be respectful of others and God's world, being tolerant, accepting and open minded
- be prepared for the modern world, knowing how to stay safe and be healthy
- become independent and self-motivated with high aspirations
- be knowledgeable and academically successful with a love of learning and curiosity
- develop confidence and resilience and a strong sense of self worth
- become morally principled, able to challenge and stand up for what is right and know when to compromise
- develop compassion and the ability to forgive
- develop creativity
- become emotionally intelligent, skilled in teamwork and building relationships

