

BOURNE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Statement of our Aims and Ethos

As a school, we have a clear vision of the education we want to offer, and of the characteristics we hope to develop in each and every pupil. We aspire to be school which offers high expectations, respect and enjoyment, and which expects good behaviour, respect and a commitment to learning in return.

As a school we aim to:

- Ensure that we inspire a love of learning in all pupils;
- Give all pupils a positive experience of education;
- Offer our pupils respect and understanding;
- Equip all pupils with the skills and self-confidence necessary to lead positive lives and to develop into caring competent adults;
- To ensure that all pupils have an equal opportunity to take part in the life and work of the school;

As a school we:

- Hold firm but flexible boundaries which support learning and personal development;
- Place creativity at the heart of teaching and learning;
- Strive to make learning vivid, fun, relevant and real;
- Work to ensure all learners succeed in an environment that is welcoming, secure and stimulating;
- Recognise and celebrate success;
- Aim high and set high standards;
- Plan with thought and creativity;
- Have a commitment to equality of opportunity with appropriate support and enrichment;
- Value children as individuals, enabling them to develop a positive self-image and respect for others;
- Believe that asking questions is central to learning;
- See our assessment priority as involving children in their own assessment;
- Aim to develop learning skills across the curriculum, inside and outside the classroom;
- Value and celebrate our rich diversity;
- Believe that special events and traditions play an important role in school life;
- See the school as a learning community where everyone works hard and enjoys themselves;

We aim to develop pupils who

- Are valued, respected and celebrated
- Are willing to fail, and understand that is an essential part of successful learning;
- Have resilience and a desire to overcome challenges;
- Gain good basic skills

- Have a strong moral, cultural, emotional, spiritual and social purpose;
- Develop healthy minds and healthy bodies;
- Are rounded individuals who believe in their own potential;
- Have high standards of behaviour and tolerance by developing respect and responsibility for themselves and their community;
- Will be good citizens of the future who understand the principles of British Values;
- Take an active part in the life and work of the school and have a desire to go on learning throughout life;
- Have self-esteem, self-confidence, self-discipline and an appropriate sense of responsibility;
- Are excited by, and take pride in, their learning.