



ORCHARD VALE COMMUNITY SCHOOL AIMS AND VALUES

At Orchard Vale Community School we want all of our pupils to have the best possible start in life and gain the knowledge and skills they need to lead happy, healthy and fulfilling lives.

We are fully committed to the principles of sustainability and working with our community to promote learning for life.

We will support parents, families and carers in helping children and young people to: -

- Stay fit and healthy in mind and body
- Stay safe from harm and protected from abuse and neglect
- To enjoy learning and aim for excellence, and achieve to the best of their ability
- To be valued members of the community who contribute positively
- Find a good job and provide for themselves

We believe that the key to academic success is the achievement of high standards through a varied, rich and diverse curriculum that is a powerful mix of excellent teaching, high expectations and enjoyment which excites, engages and challenges children.

We are fully committed to educating, encouraging and nurturing every child that is a member of our school, because they are our future.

To stay fit and healthy in mind and body	How we support this at Orchard Vale:	What the children say: -
<p>At Orchard Vale School, we believe that all children should be physically and emotionally healthy, and be encouraged to live a healthy lifestyle.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Healthy Schools Award • PSME Curriculum • Healthy school lunches • PEDPASS and Take 10 schemes • Regular circle times • Family times • Regular walks into the local environment • Positive play at lunchtimes and the play leader schemes • Five-a-day fruit scheme • Eco-school recycling • School Councillor • Nurture groups • Use of whole school behaviour policy • Positive rewards • Liaison with agencies such as CASP • School lunch questionnaire 	<p>“We do Take Ten and get healthy dinners”.</p> <p>“Play at lunchtimes has lots of activities, like football and skipping”.</p> <p>“We get playtimes and Take Ten”.</p> <p>“Treasure box encourages people to come to school”.</p> <p>“Lots of people who welcome you. Children and adults help if you are upset”.</p>

Stay safe from harm and protected from abuse and neglect	How we support this at Orchard Vale:	What the children say: -
<p>At Orchard Vale School, we believe that all children should be kept safe from neglect, violence and discrimination and be cared for in a secure, stable and caring environment.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Healthy Schools Award • PSME Curriculum • Circle times • School Councillor • Staff trained in Child Protection • Regular PAT testing of equipment • All staff Health and Safety trained • Inclusive school policy • Open classroom policy • Charity links across the world • Anti-bullying policy • School behaviour policy • Positive rewards • Pupil questionnaire • Platinum school travel plan • Governor support • School Council • CRB checks for staff and parents 	<p>“When you hurt yourself you go to first aid”.</p> <p>“The teachers look after me”.</p> <p>“I like being safe with my teacher”.</p> <p>“I liked raising money in the carrot for Nepal”.</p> <p>“You are all special to teachers and you be naughty, they still like you”.</p> <p>“School is always there for us”.</p> <p>“I like going to school”.</p> <p>“In school the teachers count us all as being special”.</p> <p>“Mrs Moore keeps me safe by strapping me in my wheelchair”.</p> <p>“Teachers help us everywhere we go”.</p> <p>“When we play football we stick to the rules”.</p> <p>“Teachers look after us by helping us, and when we hurt ourselves a teacher will look at us and make sure that we are ok”.</p> <p>“I like school because it is fun”.</p>

<p>To enjoy learning and aim for excellence, and achieve to the best of their ability</p>	<p>How we support this at Orchard Vale:</p>	<p>What the children say: -</p>
<p>At Orchard Vale School, we believe that all children should enjoy school and achieve the highest personal, social and educational standards that they can – in a community that encourages lifelong learning.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Creative curriculum • Arts Mark Gold • Healthy Schools Award • Behaviour Policy • Inclusive policy and personal learning • SEN Policy • After School Club • School Clubs • Whole School Productions • Workshops, visitors, experts and performances to enhance curriculum • CPD and appraisals for all staff • Pupil and parental questionnaires • Reports • Governors’ Report to parents • Employment of well-qualified staff • School Council and Eco-School • Learning together parent workshops • Use of the local environment and support of the woodland trust • Work with secondary schools and nurseries to ease transitions • Residential trips 	<p>“Lots of adults to help if you don’t understand”.</p> <p>“We practise an activity before we do our work”.</p> <p>“Lots of dictionaries to help us with spelling”.</p> <p>“Teachers encourage us”.</p> <p>“Teachers award work and happy points”.</p> <p>“Playtimes give you time to re-charge your brain”.</p> <p>“Lots of equipment”.</p> <p>“Lots of P.E activities”.</p> <p>“The library helps you to learn to read”.</p> <p>“We go to family group and we learn to share”.</p> <p>“We get homework”.</p>

To be valued members of the community who contribute positively	How we support this at Orchard Vale:	What the children say: -
<p>At Orchard Vale School, we believe that all children should make a positive contribution to society by building community and world links, self-confidence and positive relationships throughout their time at school.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Links with the local community • Teacher exchanges • Charity events • Workshops and special events • Happy assemblies • Positive rewards • Positive play at lunchtimes • Behaviour policy • School council • Eco-school • Recycling • Healthy Schools Award • PSME and RE Curriculum • Sports teams, clubs and events • Family groups • Play leaders • Listening and approachable adults • School councillor • Role models 	<p>“Raising money for Nepal”.</p> <p>“I recycle rubbish so it can be used again”.</p> <p>“I love my Mum and Dad as they are generous”.</p> <p>“Me and Kieran playing together in the playground”.</p> <p>“I help my friends”.</p> <p>“People joining in with your games”.</p> <p>“The man who came from Nepal showed us how to play drums”.</p> <p>“I like helping people”.</p> <p>“It’s nice to raise money”.</p> <p>“We send money to help other people”.</p> <p>“Working in a team”.</p> <p>“When people come in for lunch”.</p>

Find a good job and provide for themselves	How we support this at Orchard Vale:	What the children say: -
<p>At Orchard Vale School, we believe that all children have a right to achieve economic wellbeing and stability through fostering lifelong learning and promoting sustainable lifestyles.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Employment of well-qualified staff • Visitors from outside agencies • Eco-school • School Council • Value for money • The best resources possible • Projects • Transition projects with secondary schools • Playleaders • Understanding of actions and consequences • Role models to inspire and aspire to 	<p>“We talk about subjects that children don’t really talk about, like smoking”.</p> <p>“We talk about how we can stay healthy and not smoke or take drugs”.</p> <p>“We get grades like Park School, to let us know how we are doing”.</p> <p>“We get ready for tests to make sure we are comfortable with them”.</p> <p>“We get advice about smoking and drugs”.</p>