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## Broomhall and Grace Owen Nursery Schools

How does the Broomhall and Grace Owen ethos support the development of Fundamental British Values?

As part of their teaching of spiritual, moral, social and cultural development, schools, including maintained nurseries, should be promoting the **fundamental British values** of:

- Democracy
- The rule of law
- Individual liberty
- Mutual respect
- Tolerance of those with different faiths and beliefs

This sits alongside our duty to promote equality and challenge discrimination under the Equality Act (2010) which we welcome.

### **At Broomhall and Grace Owen our vision is:**

“We strive to be a happy, inclusive and exciting haven at the heart of our diverse community, where everyone has the opportunity to be known, valued and accepted. We actively encourage a growing sense of self, independence, curiosity and friendships as children are fully immersed and challenged in their learning every day. We cherish partnerships with families, our community and a wide range of learning partners. We seek to develop our knowledge and evolve our practice continually, including working with latest innovative thinking from local universities, in order to provide a broad, balanced and irresistible curriculum which we continue to be passionate about and proud of in an ever-changing world.”

### **Our Ethos and Values at Broomhall and Grace Owen are:**

“Our children and their families are at the heart of what we do at Grace Owen Nursery School. We recognise all our children as individuals and encourage them to follow their developing interests and passions, to engage their curiosity and imagination, and to be comfortable solving problems and questioning the world around them. We encourage a love of learning through offering rich and diverse experiences and provide opportunities and motivation for children to be physically active; to move and dance and to challenge themselves physically and intellectually within a safe space.

We provide a welcoming, warm and nurturing environment; and our experienced and knowledgeable staff aim to enable children to thrive, be confident and self-assured with high self-esteem. We help our children build caring friendships and be able to communicate with others. We support them to understand and self-regulate their feelings and safeguard their well-being.

We welcome children from diverse backgrounds and experiences and endeavour to enable them to learn through play and exploration as well as through adult-led learning; we work in partnership with families

and the agencies supporting them. We are aspirational for all our children, helping them to be ready to start school able to fulfil their potential.”

Through our teaching and learning and our ethos, represented in our vision and values, we support the promotion of fundamental British values with an age-appropriate emphasis.

For example;

- For **democracy** we encourage group decision-making around activities, ensuring that all children have an opportunity to contribute.
- For **rule of law** we teach children about the importance of following simple nursery rules for the wellbeing of everyone.
- For **individual liberty** we encourage children to make choices and to express themselves.
- For **mutual respect** we model and teach polite and considerate behaviour towards others.
- For **tolerance of diversity** we celebrate cultural events and traditions from various backgrounds.

Guidance:

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