

Vine Schools – Vision Statement Proposal

Growing together in belief, knowledge and wisdom.

John 15:1 - I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine-grower.

Our vision at the Vine Schools, is for all of our children to be given the opportunity to grow (whether that be spiritually, intellectually or personally) through our nurturing school community, a network of students, teachers, parents and the wider local communities of which the schools are part.

1 Thessalonians 5:11 – Therefore encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing.

We will foster **belief**:

In ourselves; that we can fulfil our potential

In each other; that every voice is important

In the wider world; that hope must run through everything we do

Jeremiah 29:11 -"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."

We will foster **knowledge**:

In all its fullness, valuing every facet of life

Through teaching the tools and behaviours needed to learn

By stretching and challenging everyone to achieve

Proverbs 27:17 – As iron sharpens iron, so one person sharpens another.

We will foster **wisdom**:

To develop personal integrity and a strong moral compass

Through expressing curiosity and passion about the world around us

By demonstrating the values needed to be a citizen of our local and global communities

James 3:13 – Who is wise and understanding among you? Let them show it by their good life, by deeds done in the humility that comes from wisdom.

Our daily life at the Vine Schools is underpinned by 5 core Christian values. We refer to these as our 'grape' values, as below:

G – Generosity: Deuteronomy 15:7–8

If among you, one of your brothers should become poor, in any of your towns within your land that the Lord your God is giving you, you shall not harden your heart or shut your hand against your poor brother, but you shall open your hand to him and lend him sufficient for his need, whatever it may be.

R – Respect: Matthew 7:12

So whatever you wish that others would do to you, do also to them, for this is the Law and the Prophets.

A- Acceptance: Luke 6:37–38

Judge not, and you will not be judged; condemn not, and you will not be condemned; forgive, and you will be forgiven; give, and it will be given to you. Good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap. For with the measure you use it will be measured back to you.

P – Perseverance: Romans 5:3-5:

More than that, we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope.

E- Empathy: Colossians 2:4

So, as those who have been chosen of God, holy and beloved, put on a heart of compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience.

S- Selflessness: Philippians 2:3-4

Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves, not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others.