

Living, Loving, and Growing through CARE

Vision Intent

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“Passion for Learning Passion for life”

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To provide our children with a wide variety of engaging and challenging opportunities, enabling them to live life to the full.

Developing a growth mind-set believing that with God everything is possible. To show love, trust, wisdom and respect, becoming exemplary role models in our community and the wider world

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Matthew 19:26: “With God all things are possible.”

This verse teaches us that even the seemingly impossible can be achieved with God's help. At Singleton School, we believe in every child's potential. Our supportive environment and growth mindset philosophy encourage pupils to overcome challenges and strive for their best, knowing that with effort and faith, they can achieve remarkable things. This belief extends to all areas of school life, from academic excellence to physical, behavioural, and social-emotional development.

John 10:10: “I have come so that they may have life and have it to the full.”

This verse highlights Jesus' mission to provide a rich and fulfilling life. Our curriculum offers a holistic education that nurtures spiritual, emotional, physical, and

behavioural well-being. We provide enriching opportunities that allow pupils to explore their interests and talents, ensuring they enjoy a life filled with joy, love, and purpose. By appreciating and enjoying God's gifts, our pupils learn to live life to the full, reflecting the holistic care of the Good Shepherd.

Singleton's strapline is "Passion for Learning Passion for life." Learning together with 'God' is underpinned by our theology that is deeply rooted within our vision.

A Journey of Love and Growth:

At Singleton School, our vision is not just a statement; it's a lived experience that shapes every child's journey through our school. From the moment they step through our doors, children are embraced by a community that values love, support, and holistic development.

Love at the Heart of Everything:

Welcoming Environment:

Each morning, children are greeted with warm smiles and kind words, creating a sense of belonging and safety. Our teachers and staff know every child by name, fostering a family-like atmosphere where everyone feels valued.

Pastoral Care:

Our pastoral care system ensures that every child receives the emotional and spiritual support they need. Whether it's through one-on-one conversations, group activities, or simply being there to listen, our staff are dedicated to nurturing each child's well-being.

Learning:

We aim for every child to develop a passion and a curiosity for learning and celebrate achievement in all its forms and the effort that goes into making progress. The concept of flourishing and having a 'passion' for life is linked to 'I have come so that they may have life and have it to the full' John 10:10. For us, this is rooted in our belief that we all inhabit God's world, which he gave us to explore and cherish. Therefore, we embrace the full breadth of the curriculum and move beyond providing exceptional enrichment opportunities so that our children flourish spiritually, socially, emotionally, and academically. As pioneers, children develop a passion for learning, grow confidently without fear of failure, and inspire the adults around them.

Classroom Activities:

In the classroom, our teachers integrate our vision into their lessons. For example, during a science lesson, students might explore the wonders of God's creation, fostering a sense of awe and appreciation for the world around them.

Flourish and thrive:

We dedicate ourselves to offering opportunities for children to thrive in every aspect - academically, physically, socially, and emotionally in a stimulating and enjoyable learning environment. We also aim for the entire community to flourish. To attain the highest possible standards, we encourage everyone to strive for excellence. There are endless possibilities for our children. We seek to inspire each other to learn to value difference, greatness, ambition, and achievement of all kinds. Each of us aspires to reach a potential that is not limited but supported through our ambitious curriculum and our Christian Values, which will truly enable us to embrace living our lives without limits. We believe with God's love and support; we can achieve beyond our wildest dreams.

Relationships:

Strength in our relationships between the school and our families, staff to staff, children to children, and with our local community. This 'special feeling' is commented on as people move around our school environment.

Buddy System:

Our buddy system pairs older students with younger ones, providing mentorship and fostering a sense of responsibility and care. This program helps younger children feel supported and allows older students to develop leadership skills.

Community Service:

Through community service projects, students learn the value of giving back and helping others. Whether it's organizing a charity event like Children in Need, giving to the local food bank, or writing to local care home residents, these activities teach children that love extends beyond the school gates.

Enrichment Opportunities:

We offer a variety of enrichment activities, from music and art to sports and drama, allowing students to explore their interests and develop new talents. These activities are designed to help children discover their passions and live life to the fullest, in line with John 10:10

Recognition and Rewards:

We celebrate both big and small achievements, recognizing the effort and progress each child makes. Whether it's through certificates, assemblies, or a simple word of praise, we ensure that every child feels proud of their accomplishments.

Inclusive Celebrations:

Our school community comes together to celebrate important events and milestones, fostering a sense of unity and shared joy. From Christmas plays to sports day, these events are opportunities to reflect on our values and the love that binds us together.

Family Involvement: We actively involve families in school life, inviting them to participate in events, workshops, and meetings. This partnership ensures that children receive consistent support both at school and at home.

Open Communication: We maintain open lines of communication with parents and carers, providing regular updates on their child's progress and well-being. This transparency builds trust and reinforces a sense of community.

Trust in God: Emphasize that our vision encourages students to rely on God for strength and help, especially in difficult times.

Beyond Human Limits: Highlight that with God, even the hardest things can be achieved, encouraging students to push beyond their perceived limits.

Life to the Full: Stress that our curriculum and school environment aims to provide a life filled with joy, love, and purpose, reflecting Jesus' mission to offer abundant life.

Values

Our Christian Values

Autumn Term

Respect

Friendship

Spring Term

Trust

Endurance

Summer term

Wisdom

Love

Our Christian Values at Singleton School

At Singleton, we have six core values that underpin everything we do. These values are lived out daily by every member of our school community.

Our children learn about our school values, which support our school vision. These values are a termly focus within collective worship and are integrated throughout our curriculum. They explicitly teach us how to become the best possible versions of ourselves. All adults model this behaviour, and we expect everyone to demonstrate their daily commitment to our school vision through their interactions, work, teaching, and responses to one another.

At Singleton, we work together as one to create an inclusive, loving environment where all staff and pupils can grow and flourish. We strive to cultivate a positive culture with relationships at the heart of everything we do. We value and treasure every individual and take great pride in watching one another grow.

Our school values, based on Christian principles, are embedded and reflected in all that we do. These values have been chosen by the school community as a set of moral standards we should understand and strive to live by. They align with the fundamental British values of democracy, the rule of law, individual liberty, and mutual respect and tolerance of those with different faiths and beliefs.

Collective Worship Arrangements

All our collective worships are underpinned by our Christian values. We aim for pupils to leave our school with a rich experience and understanding of Christianity. We are committed to offering them an encounter with Jesus Christ and with Christian faith and practice in a way that enhances their lives. Our collective worship includes prayer, reading and reflecting on the Bible, liturgy, sacrament, and experiencing the musical and other imaginative riches of Christianity.