

# Singleton Church of England Primary School



#### **MISSION STATEMENT**

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## Ethos and Aims



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To provide the 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.



Love

## **Singleton School Ethos Overview**

At Singleton School, we strive to provide a well-rounded education for our children within a stimulating, fun learning environment. We believe that all children who become pupils at our school deserve the best 'Christian Education', and as such, we have the highest expectations of pupil attainment, teacher performance, governor performance, support staff performance and parental involvement. We believe that every child should be given opportunities to thrive spiritually, socially, emotionally, academically and physically. We encourage everyone to strive for excellence and to achieve the highest possible standards. We believe that 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.

Our vision and values have been further developed into our **C A R E** ethos that encourages all of us (adults and children) to make the right choices, aspire highly, and reflect and engage in their academic and spiritual learning as well as in their character development so that they can achieve success in all areas of their lives. Our Care Ethos is rooted theologically and practically in our shared commitment to seeing every child as beloved and made in the image of God. Thus, enabling them to flourish and live life in all its fullness.

The **C A R E** ethos for our school links to our Vision and Values and is about creating the right culture with positive relationships at the heart of everything that we do. We value and treasure every individual and we take great pride in watching one another grow.

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- A Aspiration Cultural Respect Empowerment
- **R Reflection Spiritual Love Service**
- E Engagement Social Friendship & Trust Community

### Living, Loving and Growing Through C A R E

At Singleton School, we have a **CARE-ing** culture, built on our Christian Values and our **C A R E** ethos. In school, all adults act as positive role models, actively teaching the children our six school values (Respect, Friendship, Trust, Endurance, Wisdom, and Love) and how we can live by these.

We have developed **C A R E** as a vehicle through which we explicitly teach these Values. Our **C A R E** principles guide our behaviours and actions in school, drive our curriculum and underpin every policy and decision that is taken within the school. Every member of our school community lives our values and ethos, and they are also explicitly taught to our pupils through our CARE Cultural Curriculum

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**C A R E** ensures that all of our children grow to become the best they can be in a loving place where we all care, learn, and grow together. Through our **C A R E Curriculum**, we create regular, well-thought-out opportunities that encourage our children to make good choices, appreciate themselves, each other, and the world in which they live, reflect on their learning experiences and events, and engage with each other, their learning, and opportunities. Our Care Curriculum is designed so that it enables all children to **C A R E**, learn, and grow within our Christian community so that they are ready to make a positive contribution to the wider world and are fully prepared for the next stage of their education and development.

### **School Aims**

As a school, we aim to prepare our children for living and learning responsibly in British society. Our school aims are derived from our school vision and values and whilst the school vision and values underpin what and how we do things within school, our school aims identify our end goal.

#### As a school community, we are working together to achieve the following:

- To strive for the highest standards of pupil attainment and progress for all children not accepting underperformance by pupils or staff.
- To enable each child to progress towards the realisation of his/her full potential, regardless of age, cultural background, disability, gender, race or religious beliefs.
- To Foster a 'Passion for learning,' developing an ability to question and think rationally, to show initiative, rise to a challenge and apply themselves to all tasks conscientiously.
- To deliver an innovative curriculum, that is broad and balanced, promotes a love of God, and British values with an emphasis on; Literacy and Numeracy skills, creativity, enrichment, challenge, enquiry, investigation and FUN!
- Effectively planned learning opportunities for all pupils to achieve in line with, or exceed expectations within EYFS, KS1 and KS2 statutory assessments.
- To provide effective staff development opportunities for all staff which recognise and utilise their skills and expertise efficiently within school.
- To provide appraisal for staff that, supports performance improvements, and professional development and promotes accountability and responsibility for the children in their care.
- To develop a 'Passion for Life' through building; self-esteem, confidence, resilience and encouraging our children to take pride in themselves.
- To ensure children learn how to be healthy, stay safe, have a happy disposition and have a measured approach towards life and decision-making.
- Promote British Values of respect, tolerance and understanding of the cultural and religious principles of others, particularly those within our own community.
- To ensure as a Christian School the highest expectations for behaviour by showing courtesy, good manners, consideration for the needs of others and respect for the Christian Values of the school within a framework of love, reconciliation and forgiveness.
- To ensure that parents are recognised as prime educators, and encouraged to develop a close partnership between home and school.
- Rigorous monitoring and evaluation of performance to raise standards further.
- To develop partnerships with the church, local community, Singleton Trust, local schools and industry to deepen our understanding of the wider world.

- Provide opportunities for extended learning through the provision of a wide range of extra-curricular opportunities.
- Develop the pupil voice and the roles and responsibilities of our pupils, enabling them to take a proactive role and remain at the centre of the development of our school.

