

Appleton Wiske Community Primary School
Community Cohesion Policy

At Appleton Wiske Community Primary School we believe in a shared future and a cohesive community with our school at its heart. By Community Cohesion we mean working towards a society in which there is a common vision and a sense of belonging by all communities; a society in which the diversity of people's backgrounds and circumstances are appreciated and valued; a society in which similar life opportunities are available to all; and a society in which strong and positive relationships exist and continue to be developed in the workplace, in schools and in the wider community. The aim of this policy is to outline how pupils at our school can become effective and successful members of the community: locally, nationally and globally.

Purpose:

To provide opportunities for pupils at our school to be successful members of the communities they live in and beyond.

Aims and Objectives:

- To develop common values of citizenship based on dialogue, mutual respect and an understanding of diversity
- To contribute to building good community relations and challenge all types of discrimination and inequality
- To remove any barriers to access, participation, progression, attainment and achievement

Organisation and Planning:

Through the curriculum that we teach both formally and informally, we are preparing the children of our school to take up the vast and varied roles within both their own community and beyond. We aim to achieve this through the teaching and learning experiences we create across the curriculum in subjects such as PSHE & C, history, geography and RE. These subjects are timetabled into the weekly curriculum. The skills which the children learn are taken with them through their time at our school and into their adult life. We are committed to developing the global dimension within our school. We aim to achieve this through teaching about the global community when opportunities arise through the curriculum.

The Curriculum:

We promote the spiritual, moral, cultural, mental and physical development of all pupils at the school and prepare them for the opportunities, responsibilities and experiences of later life. The main area we use to promote community cohesion is through PSHE & C/SEAL. Through these subjects, we promote an awareness of local, national and global communities. We look at how we can develop the citizens of tomorrow through the teaching and learning experiences that we offer the children in our care.

Assessment:

The promotion and success of this policy can be judged by the development of the child in our care who goes on to be a fully rounded individual with an understanding and empathy of those around him/her locally, nationally and globally.

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