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Statement of Vision and Values

In consultation with pupils, parents, governors, community members and staff our vision and values were generated based on our inspiration from the Parable of the Sower and how this links to our children and their journey with us.

Our School Vision:
Within our community we strive to develop deep roots, strong growth and freedom to flourish as a unique and whole child of God.

Matthew 13 - The Parable of the Sower – '… but the seed falling on good soil refers to someone who hears the word and understands it. …….produces a crop, yielding a hundred, sixty or thirty times what was sown."





Values

We decided at St James CE Primary School that Kindness and Respect are values which we feel underpin our vision and are incorporated in all we do and say – so therefore these two values will be taught alongside all the other six values we have chosen.

½ termly focus	Value
Autumn 1	Responsibility
Autumn 2	Friendship
Spring 1	Perseverance
Spring 2	Trust
Summer 1	Courage
Summer 2	Positivity

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School Cycling Policy

St. James CE Primary School recognises the many positive benefits of pupils cycling to and from school. We therefore look to encourage this form of travel behaviour in as many ways as possible.

Some of the benefits of cycling to school include:

- Improving health through physical activity.
- Establishing positive active travel behaviour.
- Promoting independence and improving safety awareness.
- Reducing congestion, noise and pollution in the community.
- Reducing environmental impact of the journey to school.

To encourage as many pupils to cycle to school as we can, the school will:

- Actively promote cycling as a positive way of travelling.
- Celebrate the achievements of those who choose to cycle to school.
- Provide cycle storage on the school site.
- Provide high quality cycle training (cycle proficiency) to pupils in years KS2 who wish to participate.

To make cycling to and from school a positive experience for everybody concerned, we expect our pupils to:

- Ride sensibly and safely and to follow the Highway Code.
- Take responsibility for checking that their bicycle is roadworthy and regularly maintained.
- Behave in a manner which shows them and the school in the best possible light and to consider the needs of others when cycling.
- Wear a cycle helmet.
- Ensure they can be seen by other road users, by using bicycle lights and wearing high-visibility clothing, as appropriate.

For the well-being of our pupils, we expect parents and carers to:

- Encourage their child to take up opportunities to develop their competence and confidence in cycling.
- Provide their child with the appropriate safety equipment such as high-visibility clothing, bicycle lights and a cycle helmet as appropriate.
- Ensure that the cycles ridden to school are roadworthy and regularly maintained.

The decision as to whether a child is competent to cycle to and from school safely rests with the parents/carer and the school has no liability for any consequences of that decision. Parents are advised to take out appropriate insurance cover as the school's insurance does not cover loss or damage to bicycles.

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