

# St Joseph's Catholic Primary School



## Our Mission Statement

We grow together in God's Love as we Pray, Learn and Play

*"Dyn ni'n tyfu gyda'n gilydd mewn cariad Duw wrth i ni weddio, dysgu a chwarae"*

# INTERNATIONAL LINKS & GLOBAL CITIZENSHIP POLICY

## Article 7:

*You have the right to a name and nationality*

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## Introduction

At St Joseph's we recognise that global issues are an important part of the lives of our pupils. This is true now and will be increasingly so in the future.

Children are living in a world where global economies are increasingly interdependent and global communication is a daily reality.

Our pupils have access to the internet and increased opportunity to travel, watch news stories from around the world and follow, for example, international sporting events as they happen.

## Aims and Purposes

Our main aims are:

To enable our children to know more about global issues and to:

- Celebrate the rich and diverse heritage represented in our school, local and national communities.
- Respect and value different cultures and beliefs.
- Celebrate British values in a multi-cultural 21<sup>st</sup> century Britain.
- To ensure that our curriculum is relevant to children living in a multi-cultural society.
- Enjoy contact with children and adults living in different countries.
- Promote community cohesion.
- To prepare our children for life in a diverse global society and work in a competitive global economy, understanding that decisions and actions taken individually and locally have an impact globally.

Our international work complements and contributes to our work in other key aspects of the school's work.

- Promoting equality      See Equalities Policy
- Tackling racism        See Equalities Policy
- Working sustainably    Eco-Committee
- Pupil participation     School Council (Senedd)
- Conflict resolution     See our RE curriculum and Wellbeing program of study.

A global perspective to our curriculum

**International work is embedded into the ethos of the school which is to follow the Gospel values as outlined in our mission statement. Our curriculum enhances this in the following ways:**

- Children from Nursery to Year 6 study Welsh as well as English in daily planned lessons.
- Children support their Welsh vocabulary acquisition by celebrating St. David's Day on an annual basis.
- Our Wellbeing and RE curriculum place great emphasis on respecting other cultures, faiths and races. As part of our RE Curriculum the children study Judaism/ Hinduism and Islam on an annual basis on rota.
- All Contexts for Learning from Reception to Year 6 promote where appropriate, the learning about other cultures, faiths and different perspectives and experiences from around the world.
- The children fundraise for several International charities such as CAFOD.
- Displays and images around the school portray a wide range of positive images of people of different races and cultures.
- The cultural identity of our children, families, staff, parish and local community is celebrated.
- International Fairtrade of cultures around the world is widely celebrated at Christmas and during Fairtrade Fortnight, to maintain our Fairtrade school status.

- The Eco club and School Council (Senedd) will continue to play a major role in helping the school to maintain Green Flag Status. The group looks at local, national and international issues.
- After-School clubs celebrate the diversity of our children.

## **Whole School Initiatives**

The following events are held on an annual basis. All have a global perspective and closely involve the school and local community:

- Cultural History (International) Week
- Fairtrade Fortnight
- St. David's Day
- Refugee Week
- International Day of Welcome

## **Reporting of International Initiatives**

Parents, the parish and the wider community are made aware of international initiatives through:

- The school's weekly newsletters, class pages and latest news on the school's website/Instagram
- The Parish bulletin

## **Links with other related policies**

Teaching and Learning  
School Curriculum Statement  
Religious Education  
Health and Wellbeing

**The headteacher is responsible for monitoring the policy to ensure that it is applied.**

**The policy applies equally to all pupils in the school community regardless of gender, ethnicity, social circumstances and prior attainment.**