St John and St Nicolas Schools Federation

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At St John and St Nicolas Schools Federation, our vision is 'For the good of all – through curiosity, creativity and love.' This vision inspires everything that the federation does. It applies equally to all the federation's policies with the intention that our policies impact as fairly and positively as possible to meet the needs of all members of our schools' community.

All schools have a duty to promote the fundamental British values of democracy, the rule of law, individual liberty, mutual respect and tolerance of those with different faiths and beliefs. In our federation, we take this duty very seriously and our school vision is very much aligned with these key British values.

1: Our Vision
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In our federation, we ensure that through our school vision, our values, our curriculum and our teaching and learning that we promote British values.

2: Democracy
Democracy is an important value within our schools. We teach the importance of democracy through our PSHE lessons, but also demonstrate democracy through our approach to gathering children's, parents' and staff views. We provide democratic opportunities for children's involvement through school council and team captain elections and our governing board are keen to take into account the views of others.

3: The Rule of Law
Our federation behaviour policy and Home School Agreement represent a clear approach to good behaviour that is in line with the rule of law. We have high expectations of children's

behaviour and children are taught the value and reasons for our expectations and that they are there to protect us and others (for the good of all). We teach that there are consequences for difficult and dangerous behaviour and strive to be consistent and fair, providing equity.

4: Individual Liberty
Within school, pupils are actively encouraged to make choices, knowing that they are in a safe and supportive environment. In our federation, we educate and provide boundaries for children to make choices safely, through the provision of a safe environment and empowering education. Children are encouraged to know, understand and exercise their rights and are advised how to exercise these safely, for example through safe internet use and through our PSHE lessons.

5: Mutual Respect
Children are encouraged through collective worship and class learning to respect others and to treat others as they would want to be treated themselves (for the good of all). Children are taught about difference and diversity and the need to treat every person with respect.

6: Tolerance of those of different faiths and beliefs
In our federation, we believe firmly that we serve the full community and there is a clear commitment to ensuring that children are educated about people's different faiths and beliefs. Our high quality R.E. provision includes regular lessons learning about and from a variety of world religions and also includes visits to a variety of different places of worship. Our PSHE lessons encourage tolerance of others.