

Inspiring everyone to shine

Small schools - big aspirations. Branching out for learning.

Vision and Values development

Current Thinking (From CofE Vision):

'life in all its fullness' (John 10:10). physical and intellectual development united with spiritual, moral, social and cultural development.

worship in schools promotes **theological and religious literacy** and liberates participants to an imagining of a different order of justice, mercy and hope.

meaning, trust, generosity, compassion and hope are more fundamental than meaninglessness, suspicion, selfishness, hard heartedness and despair.

Clear Theology:

The God of all creation is concerned with everything related to education – wisdom, truth and knowledge; the learning and teaching of understanding, virtues and habits that shape individuals, families and communities; the worth of each person; what is passed on from one generation to another; in whom and what people trust; what people hope for; and more. All things and all people are intrinsically related to Jesus Christ, and that sets the horizon within which he is to be understood and followed.

To model a good teacher is to model Christ

Christian Narrative:

God created the world and declared at each stage that it was good. Through the prophets of the Old Testament, and fulfilled in Jesus, He shows ongoing care for His creation. We therefore believe that the world is fundamentally a place of goodness and hope.

Through Jesus God showed that we are all His children and called us to go out into the world to teach and make disciples, and to demonstrate self-sacrificial love. Through the forgiveness of sins we are given the love and safety we need to freely love and teach others.

Vision:

Jesus said 'I am the vine and you are the branches. if you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit' (John 15:5).

We believe in a **creative** and loving God who made the world to be a place of beauty and **wonder**, and through Jesus, has adopted us as his **beloved children**. **Rooted** in this love and fueled by His Spirit, we can work to help every person fulfill their **unique potential**. Individuals will shine with self-belief and go into the world with the **determination and resilience** to follow their dreams.