

**Celebrating our  
Christian Distinctiveness:  
A Parents' Guide**



Queen  
Elizabeth's  
— ACADEMY —

Learning and Loving Together  
Forever

Inspired by Luke 10: 29-37 we give our all to all in appreciation to God who gave his all in Jesus, offering learning without boundaries and care without limits so that all our students can experience life in all its fullness.

We give our all, to all, through our 9 Core Values. Our students aspire to embody these values and reflect on their journey through their PIP's (Personal Improvement Plan). We value the contribution that our students make to the Academy and the wider local community and encourage our core values regardless of background, culture or faith. These values develop the whole child as a valid member of our Queen Elizabeth's family. Motivated by John 15:1-11, Queen Elizabeth's is the vine, growing global citizens of the future.

**Empathy-** "This is my commandment, Love one another as I have loved you" John 12:12. Our students strive to show empathy for one another, considering the thoughts and feelings of their peers and being aware of the needs of others.

**Forgiveness and reconciliation-** "Bear with each other and forgive one another, if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you" Colossians 3:13. Our students take the time to reflect when things go wrong, let go of bad feeling and move forward with positivity committing to learn from their mistakes.

**Good manners-** "Do good, lend and expect nothing in return and your reward will be great" Luke 6:35. Our students commit to the "QEA Way" of life, demonstrating an innate polite and respectful manner towards each other, staff and visitors alike.

**Joy matters to us-** "A joyful heart is good medicine" Proverbs 17:22. Being grateful for and taking joy from their surroundings, our students acknowledge, celebrate and flourish in their achievements and the achievements of others.

**Justice and equality-** "Learn to do right, seek justice and defend the oppressed" Isaiah 1:17. Our students develop a keen sense of justice and seek fairness for all. We are a very giving community and take pride in our charitable connections.

**Nurture-** “Peter said to Jesus “Lord you know all things. You know that I love you”, Jesus said “Tend my sheep” John 21:17. We encourage our students to take a nurturing attitude both inside the Academy and out and subscribe to the view that it is our duty to love and look after one another.

**Togetherness-** “Let each of you look out not only for his own interests, but also for the interests of others.” Philippians 2:1-4. Our students take time to develop close bonds with one another, sharing values, ideas and dreams and helping each other to succeed. We respect that we are all unique and that those differences make us precious, whilst also acknowledging that we share a commonality as human beings and Disciples of Christ.

**Truthfulness-** “Walk with integrity, be righteous, Speak with truth” Psalm 15:2. Our students are true to themselves, are responsible and reliable members of the Academy family.

**Knowledge and wisdom-** “If you listen to me you will know right, just and fair. You will know what to do. You will become wise and your knowledge will give you pleasure” Proverbs 10:9-10. Our students love to learn and embark on a continual journey of knowledge acquisition, which continues throughout their time with us and beyond. “Loving and Learning Together Forever.”

### **Collective Worship**

Our collective worship follows the pathway of the 9 core values. Launched by the Principal at the start of each week, one value with connecting scripture is discussed with the children. What does that value mean to us in today’s society? How can we embody that value- to live it and be it? The Chaplain continues with the same value in his collective worship gatherings in the hall and chapel, and our tutors provide opportunities to discuss, share ideas and reflect on personal development in tutor time.

We invite our parents to share in our collective worship by opening the documents on the “Worship with Us” section of the parents’ page and continuing the spiritual discussion in the home environment.

### **The Academy Prayer**

Lord,

This is our Academy.

Let peace dwell here.

Let the place be full of happiness.

Let love live here.

Love for one another and for God.

Let joy be embedded in our learning and our friendships.

Let us remember that people make a community and many hearts make a school.

Amen.

