



Blessed Robert Widmerpool Catholic Voluntary Academy

Statement of Values and Ethos

Blessed Robert Widmerpool Catholic Voluntary Academy is a Catholic school where Christian values underpin every aspect of school life. The school's Mission Statement outlines how these values influence our aims and guide our work together. Our Mission Statement is: ***"We walk kindly in the footsteps of Jesus Christ as we live and learn."***

Blessed Robert Widmerpool promotes its Catholic ethos through stimulating and creative liturgical worship. We celebrate our faith through Mass, Collective Worship, personal prayer and taking part in the preparation for the Holy Sacraments. We welcome our school and parish community to share all forms of prayer and worship with us, ensuring it is a relevant and meaningful experience for all.

The curriculum of the school, underpinned and inspired by the teachings of the Catholic Church, recognises that each child is a unique and valued individual. All children are offered the opportunity to develop fully irrespective of ethnicity, faith, social background or gender.

The school aims to create a happy and secure environment where all children can reach their potential – spiritually, morally, culturally, physically and academically. Children are encouraged to be responsible for their own actions and a culture of independence and respect is promoted through our core values.

The school's core values, which have been generated by children and staff, assist children to build their learning power. They enable children in developing the knowledge, attributes, skills and attitudes that will support them throughout their lives and help them to reach their full potential and flourish in our ever-changing society. The way that the school teaches these behaviours is through the **5Rs** which include:

- Responsibility
- Resilience
- Resourcefulness
- Relationships
- Reflectiveness

At Blessed Robert Widmerpool, we have high expectations for all. Staff and children lead by example, encouraging pupils to develop self-respect, confidence, independence, personal aspirations and to set themselves high standards.

As a school, we encourage a positive partnership between home, school and the parish, respecting all cultural and faith backgrounds and practices. We work and worship collaboratively with all the schools in Our Lady of Lourdes Trust to deliver the best Catholic education for all our pupils.