

MFL and British Values at Childwall CE Primary School

At Childwall CE Primary School we understand that the fundamental British Values are widely recognised as universal values which you would expect to find in any democratic society. Our aim in school is to address these wherever possible in the curriculum so that our children are immersed in those concepts on a daily basis.

MFL is a rich and challenging subject through which those values can be investigated by our children as they progress through their educational journey. Efforts are made to explore the cultural values and traditions of France. By gaining an appreciation of the country where the language the students are studying is spoken, they are encouraged to reflect on another culture and way of life and embrace socio-cultural differences. This ensures that they remain open to the world around them and have a better grasp of the links and connections between countries and societies. This in turn, emphasises the need for tolerance and justice. The children are aware that the concept of democracy transcends the more literal understanding of the term to include those processes which select and approve achievements in MFL by the majority, for display and award and this naturally feeds into the wider acceptance of the value of democracy in the political arena. All of this is underpinned by the implementation of school rules which make these choices by the individual or group a safe and non-threatening process for all.