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### Catholic Values Individual Values British Values

Week 2

'With Christ in our hearts, together we grow'

#### The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in Heaven, hallowed be thy name: thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil Amen.



# Last week we talked about personal values. Today we will think about British Values.

- democracy
- the rule of law
- individual liberty
- mutual respect
- tolerance of those of different faiths and beliefs

These are ideas we will be learning about in class and in assemblies.

Democracy

Britain is a democracy - this means that the people in Britain vote for the people who make the laws and decide how the country is run. If we didn't have a democracy, just one person might be able to make all the laws and that would not be fair.

We are going to be learning about British values • The rule of the law In Britain we have a police force who make sure people do not do the wrong thing and break the law - this means that we are safe.

#### What Does Democracy Mean?

In the United Kingdom, we hold an **election** to choose someone to **represent** us.

Most **candidates** who 'stand' for election belong to a political party – a group of people who share similar beliefs.

Together, people who belong to the party agree on changes they will make if they are elected. These are called **policies**.

The leaders of the political parties share their main policies with members of the public.



We are going to be learning about British values Individual Liberty In Britain, as long as we do not break the law, we can live as we choose to and have our own opinions about things.

#### In Our Democracy, Every Citizen Has Certain Basic Rights.

No one can tell you what you must think, believe, say or not say.

Everyone is free to choose their own religion and to worship and practice their religion as they want to.

Every individual has the right to enjoy their own culture, along with other members of their group, even if their group is a minority.

However everyone must exercise these rights peacefully, with respect for the law and the rights of others.



## Mutual Respect

We might not always agree with other people, but we try to show respect for their thoughts and feelings.

We can give respect to others and we can expect other people to show us respect.

 Tolerance of those of different faiths and beliefs

In Britain we accept that other people might have different beliefs than ours and they may believe in different religions.

#### Let's look at that list of British Values again:

- democracy
- the rule of law
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Take a moment to think about how lucky we are to live in Britain, a country with such strong values.