

# PREVENT and British Values at Rokesly

The **Counter Terrorism and Security Act 2015** places a legal duty on public bodies including schools,

*"to have due regard to the need to prevent people from being drawn into terrorism"*

The government set out its expectations of schools to teach a broad and balanced curriculum, **promote British values**, assess the risk of pupils being drawn into terrorism, protect children from terrorist and extremist material at school and ensure robust safeguarding policies are in place.

At Rokesly Junior School fundamental values are reinforced regularly and in the following ways:

## **Democracy:**

At Rokesly Juniors, all pupils have the opportunity to have their voices heard through our School Council and Pupil Surveys. Elections for School Council representatives take place every year in each class. Children are always able to voice their opinions and we foster an environment where children feel safe to disagree with each other.

## **The Rule of Law:**

The importance of rules that keep us safe and ensure we have the best environment for learning, in the classroom, the school, or the country, are consistently reinforced through our positive behaviour policy. Children learn about rules that are fair and equal through school assemblies and the PSHCE curriculum. Pupils are taught the value and reasons behind laws, that they govern and protect us, the responsibilities that this involves and the consequences when laws are broken. Visits from authorities such as the Police; Fire Service; etc. help reinforce this message.

## **Individual Liberty:**

Within school, pupils are actively encouraged to make choices, knowing that they are in a safe and supportive environment. As a school we educate and provide boundaries for young pupils to make choices safely, through the provision of a safe environment and empowering education. Pupils are

encouraged to know, understand and exercise their rights and personal freedoms and advised how to exercise these safely, for example through our E-Safety and PSHCE lessons. Whether it be through choice of challenge in lessons or through participation in our numerous extra-curricular clubs and opportunities, pupils are given the freedom to make choices.

### **Mutual Respect:**

Part of our school ethos and behaviour policy has revolved around our Values such as 'Respect', and pupils have been part of discussions and assemblies related to what this means and how it is shown. The school promotes respect for others and this is reiterated through our classroom and learning rules, as well as our positive behaviour policy. Children are actively involved with contributing to the wider community as volunteers, through collecting for charities and making contributions to our Food Bank Scheme.

### **Tolerance of those of Different Faiths and Beliefs:**

At Rokesly Junior School we actively discuss and celebrate our differences as well as our similarities as we feel that the diversity of our school community reflects the global community that we are part of. Through our assemblies, the taught curriculum, discussions, visits and visitors awareness of prejudice-based bullying has been raised. Members of different faiths or religions are encouraged to share their knowledge to enhance learning within classes and the school.