British Values at Warden Hill

How do British Values make me, me? British Values shape our lives and make us who we are. They help us recognise who we want to be and what we want to do. Democracy, Rule of Law, Mutual Respect and Tolerance and Individual Liberty: they all help us in life.

Democracy is an essential part of our British Values. It makes sure everyone has a say on what goes on in their lives. Warden Hill is no different as we vote for our: House, Vice and Sports Captains along with School Council and Eco Council. The whole house come together to vote on their House, Vice or Sports captain: picking out the year 6 (someone like me) who they think will do a great job. Therefore it prepares us for later life: like voting for a new Prime Minister.

The Rule of Law is often regarded as something that stops us doing what we want to but it takes care of our well-being: physically and mentally. The Rule of Law keeps us safe from dangerous criminals and makes sure we don’t do anything careless. At my school we have Golden Rules that help us to know what’s right and what’s wrong.

Mutual Respect and Tolerance is very important as it symbolises diversity which means everyone is different but they should be treated the same. Warden Hill is very firm about this: there is no racism or sexism at this school and there never will be. In our RE lessons we talk about other religions and accept their beliefs. In every class, there is an owl which we pass around so we can share our beliefs, which helps us respect each other.

Individual Liberty is the freedom to make individual choices. I have the individual liberty at school to write what I would like to on a topic and I have the freedom to choose which clubs I would like to do. A great example of individual liberty happened recently when we had the year 6 play auditions. We could put yourself forward for any role. I went for Robin Hood and I got my part all because I had the freedom of choice.

British Values make us, us. I intend to continue in life with these values, keeping me and others healthy: physically and mentally. They give us confidence to make our own choices; they give us a voice; they provide us with diversity and they keep us safe. They make us who we are.

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