

Mission Statement

Our school is a caring place in which everyone is valued. As a Church of England School, our children grow in knowledge and understanding of what it means to be a Christian. We are a friendly, welcoming community, offering equal opportunities to everyone regardless of race, colour, religion or ability. In our school, children are encouraged to grow in knowledge and self-esteem in order that they develop the skills as learners that will equip them for adult life and that will enable them to be active citizens in the 21st century.

Ethos Statement

Our school aims to serve its community by providing education of the highest quality to all within the context of Christian belief and practice. *“The core purpose of any Church school is to maximise the learning potential of every pupil within the love of God.” (Valuing All God’s children, May 2014)* We encourage and promote our core Christian values, in particular Friendship, Respect, Forgiveness, Thankfulness and Compassion through the experience we offer all of our pupils. We work to instil in our children the virtues of St Nicholas, those of generosity, thoughtfulness, humility and kindness in our thoughts, words and deeds.

Aims in Education

At St. Nicholas Church of England Voluntary Controlled Infant School we are committed to providing a Christian education that includes:

- 1. Developing Christian attitudes and values and encouraging children to grow in self-esteem, independence and respect for one another**
- 2. Creating an inclusive school where everyone is valued, where achievements are celebrated and in which everyone is able to achieve their full potential**
- 3. Raising standards through effective teaching and learning, by delivering a broad, balanced and relevant curriculum, differentiated to meet the needs of all pupils**
- 4. Promoting a healthy lifestyle and positive attitude to personal well being**
- 5. Establishing and maintaining positive partnerships with parents and the local community**
- 6. Providing a safe, secure and pleasant learning environment.**