



Statement on the promotion and teaching of modern British values at Millbank Academy

The Trust's ethos

Knowledge is at the heart of everything we do at Millbank Academy, and we have the very highest expectations of our pupils and what they can achieve.

Millbank Academy is part of Future Academies and the Trust's motto is *Libertas per cultum* (Freedom through education). We strive to instil in our pupils:

- Freedom to choose, to be knowledgeable enough to make good choices in life.
- Freedom to think well – we think with words, therefore depth and breadth of knowledge are vital tools in life.
- Freedom from ignorance and prejudice through knowledge and conceptual understanding of the world.
- Freedom to lead a purposeful and fulfilling life.

These goals are fully in line with British values and they are a constant theme in everything we do at Millbank Academy.

Assemblies

As well as embedding the Trust's ethos, the Headteacher and senior leaders deliver assemblies covering themes aligned with modern British values. For example, assemblies cover topics such as the general election and key events in British history which have shaped our democracy.

The curriculum

Millbank Academy teaches a knowledge-led curriculum so that children are given a firm foundation at primary school. The History curriculum at Millbank is fully aligned with modern British values and it teaches about the birth of democracy in Ancient Greece as well as the history of the British Isles and the development of the United Kingdom.

The Geography curriculum teaches about democracy across the world and which countries are democracies.

The Religious Education curriculum teaches children about the religions that are prevalent within the United Kingdom in order to promote tolerance, respect and understanding. The school receives guest speakers from the different faiths to talk about the religions that are practised in the United Kingdom. The school also organises visits to places of worship.

School Council

Each class elects two representatives to sit on the School Council. This is an excellent opportunity for the children to learn about elections and democracy. The School Council meets regularly to discuss ways to improve Millbank Academy.



Millbank Academy School Council with the Member of Parliament for the Cities of London & Westminster, Rt Hon. Mark Field.

Trips

School trips are a valuable experience for our pupils at Millbank Academy. Teachers are encouraged to organise trips to all the nearby sites, places of worship, museums and art galleries that central London has to offer. For example, Year 1 go to the British Museum and Year 4 go to the Science Museum. Trips are also organised to the nearby Houses of Parliament so that pupils can see democracy in action and how laws are made. These trips promote learning about the history and culture of the United Kingdom.



Year 5 pupils visiting Lord Nash at the Houses of Parliament