



Clatford Church of England Primary School

'Learn and Grow Together with Love, Respect and Belief'

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Annual Report

Through our core Christian values of Love, Respect and Belief we seek to enable our children to Learn and Grow Together to develop their 'whole' unique individual potential as a member of our Clatford Family, whilst nurturing a lifelong love of learning within a caring, environment.

At Clatford Primary School we have always believed that the education of the whole child is the most important thing we can do so that children have the right skills to go out into the world and become good citizens. Each term we take a different core value and then the children unpick it so that we can understand what actions we can take to live out that value. We link this to the teachings in the Bible so that children can develop a moral code within which to live their lives. Children get certificates if they really show our values. We follow the Hampshire syllabus of Living Differences III for Religious Education and integrate aspects of Understanding Christianity so that children may get a deeper knowledge. We ask 'Big' questions to challenge their thinking and to help them respect the world around them and those of all faiths and none. We use Philosophy 4 Children (P4C) to develop children's critical thinking, good listening and speaking skills to help them express different opinions.

We have worked hard to develop a specific language so that children can explain their Spirituality. We describe it as our relationship with ourselves (mirror moment), each other (door moments), the world around us (window moment) and beyond or our relationship with God (candle moments). Through looking at spirituality in this context and personifying it through everyday objects it means that everyone can access it at an age appropriate level and understand it, which makes it inclusive and respectful.

Children are engaged and work diligently because they enjoy the cross curricular topics that enable them to make links in their learning. We study many history topics such as the Romans and Vikings, Ancient Greece, the Stone Age and the two World Wars. We learn about our Kings and Queens and local history. Year 6 wrote some beautiful and moving accounts of experiences of people in the World Wars that were part of the World War I commemorations at All Saints Church. This year we have had a particular focus on raising awareness about how we can be more sustainable. Children are recycling at school and at home, we have visited solar/ wind farms and expanded our school garden. Gardening club produced enough vegetables for year 4 to eat for their dinner when they camped out on the school field in the summer! Children help themselves during playtimes to have the veg as snacks. It has been a real success. Through our curriculum the children are trying to be courageous advocates. They did an amazing soup kitchen to raise money for local people in need, they sold rice to support fair trade farmers, they have learnt to knit, with local community support, to provide squares to the neo natal unit and they have raised money to support penguins to name but a few. It develops in children a real sense of community.

The children of Clatford Primary School continue to grow and thrive and try their best in their learning. They continue to achieve well above national expectations in reading, writing and maths. We use a Bronze, Silver and Gold Award as an incentive for children to learn their times tables and give answers within 6 seconds to increasingly more challenging mathematical problems. The children really like it.

One of our favourite activities is our termly Family afternoon experiences when all the children are mixed up across the school. This year our Christmas experience took place in St Peters Church, supported by Rev Katrina and her team, and it was lovely that so many parents, governors and people from the local community were also able to join us to go around the differing activities.

We want our children to believe in themselves and aspire to be the best they can be and we really appreciate all the support we receive from our local community.

Angela Rice (Headteacher)

