

Our Vision

We are an aspirational school serving our community. We seek to know, understand and celebrate every child, nurturing their individual strengths and talents. We prepare our children to become confident, responsible global citizens in an ever-changing world, guided by our core values of love, courage and friendship.

Through **Love**, we show kindness, compassion and generosity, building a community where everyone feels safe, welcomed and valued. Through **Courage**, we persevere, meet challenge with confidence, and stand up for what is right with honesty and grace. Through **Friendship**, we grow together — encouraging one another, celebrating each other's gifts, and looking to the future with hope and aspiration.

We live out these values by:

- Being a caring, welcoming and inclusive Christian community where staff, pupils, parents and governors work together in a safe and supportive environment, inspired by "Above all, love each other deeply" (1 Peter 4:8)
- Promoting the welfare and dignity of every child, safeguarding them from harm — including physical, sexual and emotional abuse, neglect and bullying — in accordance with statutory guidance in *Keeping Children Safe in Education* (Department for Education)
- Providing a rich, engaging curriculum that equips children with the knowledge, skills and character to become lifelong learners and responsible citizens, reflecting Christian teachings and British Values
- Building strong, positive partnerships with parents, the church and the wider community, and encouraging participation in local, national and global initiatives
- Fostering our Learning Behaviours of Resilience, Focus, Independence, Self-Regulation, Respect and Boundaries, encouraging children to act with integrity, perseverance and kindness in all they do

At Newtown, we want every child to know they belong, are cherished, and are capable of great things. Through **Love, Courage and Friendship**, we grow minds, shape futures and journey together in hope.

RE Curriculum

To develop a knowledge and understanding of the Christian faith.

To have an awareness of the central beliefs of Christianity.

Recognising and exploring religious experience.

Exploring key stories and becoming familiar with the Bible.

Understanding the central importance of Jesus to the Christian faith..

Developing an understanding that we are all unique in the eyes of God.

Encouraging children to develop self-respect, respect for others and God's creation.

To encouraging the search for meaning and purpose in life promoting self-esteem.

To develop the ability to make reasoned and informed judgements about religious and moral issues.

Developing attitudes of respect and sensitivity for other's beliefs, respecting the right to hold other beliefs in a society of diverse religions.

Developing an understanding of the influence of beliefs, values and traditions in a range of faiths, societies and cultures.

Providing learning opportunities which will encourage spiritual development, e.g. stillness, wonder, action, charities. Developing a caring attitude towards all mankind, creation and the environment, appreciating natural beauty.

Reflecting on other beliefs, values and experiences

Our Christian Ethos Values

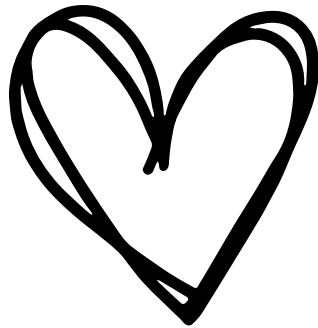
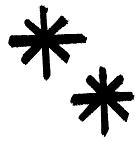


Newtown C of E Primary School

At Newtown C of E Primary School, our motto is enriched and sustained by our Christian values of **Love, Courage and Friendship**, rooted in the teachings of the Bible. We are guided by the call to "love one another as I have loved you" (John 13:34), "be strong and courageous... for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go" (Joshua 1:9), and "a friend loves at all times" (Proverbs 17:17).

As a school at the heart of an evolving community, we warmly welcome children and families from a wide range of backgrounds and experiences. We are enriched by the unique qualities each child brings and value the talents and perspectives that help us grow together.

Love



Love is an ethos value for our church school because God is love. This means the putting of others before ourselves - a kind of love in action.



This is reflected in the story of the Prodigal Son in Luke 15:11-31 where the father shows forgiveness and unconditional love towards his son. This unconditional love is also shown through the birth of Jesus.

Courage



Courage is an ethos value for our church school because God tells people in the book of Joshua to be strong and courageous and not to be frightened.

This is reflected in the story of Daniel and the Lions' Den in Daniel 6:16-23. Daniel's faith and trust in God reminds us that courage and loyalty are important, even when facing danger or difficult situations.

Friendship



Friendship is an ethos value for our church school because the stories of Jesus show us that we must offer a generous welcome to others, regardless of differences.

This is reflected in the story of the Good Samaritan in Luke 10:30-37 and its application to Christian love and compassion. Treat others as you would like to be treated.

As a Church school we are aware of our deeply Christian character, and although we acknowledge that these values can be seen as Christian, they are not exclusively so, and we believe are accepted by people of all faiths or no faith at all.

