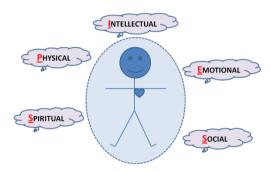






# Why VALUES EDUCATION is GAINING SUCH IMPORTANCE for CHILDREN











### Enables each child to be the best he or she can be

Teaching children about values adds relevance to their learning and gives them a meaningful, well-considered base of standards, principles and a moral compass that they can use with increasing confidence to guide their:

- thinking
- decision-making & choices
- behaviour & actions

so that they feel good about themselves, are ambitious and can realise their true potential.

#### **Reinforces school values**

Values Education not only reinforces and builds on the school's values but it also enhances:

- its ethos, culture & standards
- its vision for the school & each of its pupils
- its curriculum
- relationships between teachers, pupils & parents
- the quality of teaching & learning

leading to improvements in attainment & the personal wellbeing of *everyone* in the school community.

## Meets a need

Values Education is holistic, transformative, experiential learning that progressively enables participants to develop a broad set of essential character strengths, competencies and rewarding habits, which together:

- cultivate children's intellectual minds
- nurture their emotional & social skills
- nourish physical health & mental wellbeing so that the children can flourish, whatever their social backgrounds, and shape their lives as they would wish.

## Prepares children well for life in our changing world

Explicit, systematic Values Education promotes:

- happiness, meaning, mindfulness, fulfilment, joy, purpose, positive emotions, health, enthusiasm, courage, perseverance, trust, resilience, empathy, compassion, teamworking and quality relationships
- a deeper understanding of the fundamental British values that schools must promote
- civic-minded, aspirational young people who can use their energy and talents to engage effectively with the global community.

<u>The outcome</u> Children gradually get to know themselves, others & the wider world better & feel increasingly empowered with personal qualities, skills & knowledge that enable them to be happy, thrive & succeed throughout their school & subsequent careers.

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