

## St John the Baptist CE VA Primary School, Pebmarsh Our Christian Values



St John the Baptist CE VA Primary School is a Church of England primary school. We offer a distinctly Christian education in an inclusive environment where we encourage all pupils to learn, enquire and grow. We believe that every child is special and that we are privileged to have them in our care for their primary education. Every pupil at St John's is treated equally, but that doesn't mean every child is treated the same, as we acknowledge that every child's needs are different and must be met in different ways.

We believe it is important to develop core values by which to live and which help to develop moral and spiritual awareness.
Christian values are reflected in everything we do at St John's. We investigate a different Christian value each half term through collective worship and activities in class. Our Christian Values are evident throughout the school. Values are the parts of our life that we



find most important and stem from many places such as family, friends and school. Every day our values have an effect on our behaviour and motives

which is important for how we are perceived as individuals.

The values chosen by the school community are Love, Friendship, Appreciation, Inclusion Trust and Honesty. (Known as Love and F.A.I.T.H.) These are the foundation of





everything that we do to provide the pupils of St John's with the very best education to prepare them academically, socially and spiritually for life.

Our entrance hall clearly displays Christian symbols that encapsulate our school, including a large cross and small holding crosses. Each classroom has a Reflection Area

and RE displays. The school hall, where we meet for Worship, has displays and artefacts which include a candle and standing cross.



The daily act of worship plays a central role in the life and work of the school. It offers important opportunities to strengthen our





sense of community, belonging and inclusiveness, and to reinforce the respect and care we have for each other. Through collective worship we make a significant contribution to the religious, spiritual, moral, social and cultural development of those present.

The school celebrates all the main Christian festivals and leads services in Pebmarsh Church to share with parents and members of the community. The school also raises money for several nominated charities each year.

Excite – Embrace – Encourage - Excel in a caring Christian community