

Penistone St John's CE Primary School



Our Vision

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Children are always put at the heart of all we do at Penistone St John's. We warmly welcome families of all faiths and none, to our vibrant and caring school. In the same way that John the Baptist prepared the way for Jesus, we prepare the way for children.

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This is secured by our Christian values

School Values



LOVE

"Let all that you do be done in love (1 Corinthians 16:14).



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"Let all of us speak the truth." (Ephesians 4:25)



F **A** ITHFULNESS

The Lord rewards those who are faithful and righteous (1 Samuel 26:23)



FO **R** GIVENESS

"Forgive, and you will be forgiven (Matthew 6:14)



KIND **N** ESS

"Whoever pursues righteousness and kindness will find life" (Proverbs 21:21)

These values are the practical cornerstones of our vision and are underpinned by the work of all. We use our 5 core Christian values to scaffold and support children to ***be the best version of themselves***. The 'values beads' reinforce, recognise and celebrate these.

We use parables, as Jesus did, to help children to understand their Christian gospel underpinning:

Christian Values as Firm Foundations:

Love: The Lost Sheep (Luke 15:4-7)

Honesty: Zacchaeus the Tax Collector(Luke 19:1-10)

Forgiveness: The Prodigal Son (Luke 15:11-32)

Faithfulness: Faithful Servant (Matthew 24:45-51)

Kindness: The Good Samaritan (Luke 10:25-37)

Our School Logo

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The significance and symbolism of our school logo is:

- The **tree** of knowledge (e.g. seen in St John's church)
- The **trunk** is an image of St John's Cross to symbolise our name Saint of John the Baptist
- The **figures** represent children at school and at home with both working in partnership
- The **book** represents the learning that takes place at school and the lunch box the sustenance provided at home
- The **rainbow**, which is in the shape of a book represents the richness and diversity of all who attend St John's and its shape symbolises The Bible as the source of our vision and values
- The **blue** in the rainbow signifies the River Jordan, the river in which John baptised Jesus and represents the fact that we are all washed clean and have a fresh start every day