

Policy for Promoting British Values



Rationale

KBM Tutors has an obligation under section 78 of the Education Act (2002) which requires all tuitions, as part of a broad and balanced curriculum, to promote the Spiritual, Moral, Social and Cultural (SMSC) development of children at the tuition.

In June 2014, the Secretary of State for Education announced that tuitions would be required to actively promote British values from September 2014.

The DfE have recently reinforced the need *“to create and enforce a clear and rigorous expectation on all tuitions to promote the fundamental British values.”*

The government originally set out its definition of British values in their 2011 Prevent Strategy and the Prime Minister has reiterated these this year.

The British Values are defined as:

- Democracy
- The rule of law
- Individual liberty
- Mutual respect
- Tolerance of those with different faiths and beliefs

At KBM Tutors we are committed to actively promoting British values and this forms part of our wider work in tuition with children in relation to their Spiritual, Moral, Social and Cultural education (SMSC). At the heart of these values, lie good relationships in which teachers and children work together towards common goals. Much work was already in place to support and embed these values and it is our aim to ensure we effectively share this with children, staff, governors and the wider community. These values are integral to our tuition vision and ethos and are reinforced regularly in a variety of ways.

Aims and Objectives

At KBM Tutors we aim to:

- Actively promote the fundamental British values of democracy, the rule of law, individual liberty, and mutual respect and tolerance of those with different faiths and beliefs
- Encourage children to develop and demonstrate skills and attitudes that will allow them to participate fully in and contribute positively to life in modern Britain.
- Ensure that principles are actively promoted which:
- Enable children to develop their self-knowledge, self-esteem and self-confidence;
- Enable children to distinguish right from wrong and to respect the civil and criminal law of England;
- Encourage children to accept responsibility for their behaviour, show initiative and understand how they can contribute positively to the lives of those living and working in the locality in which the tuition is situated and to society more widely;
- Enable children to acquire a broad general knowledge of and respect for public institutions and services in England;
- Promote further tolerance and harmony between different cultural traditions by

- enabling children to acquire an appreciation of and respect for their own and other cultures;
- Encourage respect for other people, paying particular regard to the protected characteristics set out in the Equality Act 2010;
- Encourage respect for democracy and support for participation in the democratic process, including respect for the basis on which the law is made and applied in England.
- Prevent the promotion of partisan political views in the teaching of any subject in the tuition and take such steps as are reasonably practicable to ensure that where political issues are brought to the attention of children they are offered a balanced presentation of opposing views. This should be:
 - While they are in attendance at the tuition;
 - While they are taking part in extra-curricular activities which are provided or organised by or on behalf of the tuition;
 - In the promotion at the tuition, including through the distribution of promotional material, of extra-curricular activities taking place at the tuition or elsewhere.
- Protect children and young people against the messages of all violent extremism including but not restricted to those linked to Islam ideology, Far Right/Neo Nazi/White Supremacist ideology etc.

Roles & Responsibilities

The staff at KBM Tutors will:

- Ensure that fundamental British values are embedded as an integral part of the ethos and culture of KBM Tutors Primary Tuition;
- Challenge opinions or behaviours in tuition by children, staff, visitors, volunteers or parents that are contrary to fundamental British values, including extremist views;
- Ensure that all visitors to KBM Tutors are screened to ensure that they do not attempt to promote systems that undermine fundamental British values including extremism or radicalization;
- Ensure that our children understand that living under the rule of law protects individual citizens and is essential for their well-being and safety and that while different people may hold different views about what is 'right' and 'wrong', all people living in England are subject to its law;
- Teach our children about the democracy and the rule of English civil and criminal law and will not teach anything that undermines it;
- Ensure all children within the tuition, regardless of age, have a voice that is listened to;
- Ensure that our children understand that the freedom to choose and hold different faiths and beliefs is protected in law;
- Ensure that we develop a tolerance and understanding of different faiths, cultures and beliefs by using teaching resources from a wide variety of sources to help children understand a range of faiths;
- Enable our children to develop and demonstrate skills and attitudes that will allow them to participate fully in and contribute positively to our local community and life in modern Britain;
- Enable our children to develop and demonstrate skills and attitudes that will allow them to participate fully in the community of the tuition. E.g. supporting younger children in lessons;
- Ensure an understanding of the importance of identifying and combatting discrimination, extremism and radicalization;
- Ensure that there are effective risk assessments and screening policies and procedures in place to safeguard and promote children' welfare against the threat of extremism and radicalisation.