<u>History – Protected Characteristics</u>

The Equality Act 2010

The Equality Act 2010 is a law in the UK that helps protect people from discrimination, ensuring everyone is treated fairly and equally. It ensures that everyone in Britain is protected from discrimination, harassment and victimisation based upon the nine protected characteristics. Through our history curriculum, we ensure that our children understand we are all different, we should celebrate our differences and that we are all equal.



The 9 Protected Characteristics are actively promoted in school through:

- Our school ethos statements, SDP, and SEF
- Our school core values
- Our school behaviour policy
- Conscious role modelling by all adults in the school community
- Active engagement and communication with parents and carers
- Assemblies

- British Values
- Discussion within curriculum
- · Promoting articulation by building appropriate language and a coherent vocabulary
- PSHE
- Religious Education (RE) lessons
- Sporting, Art and Cultural Events
- Pupil Voice
- Educational visits
- Real-life learning outside the classroom
- Guest speakers
- Extra-curricular activities, after-school clubs, charity work and work within the local community

History

Children are given the opportunity to discover and learn about a range of historical events and historians, allowing them to develop a curiosity about the world and the different societies within them.

Our history curriculum explores a wide range of cultures, communities, and environments, helping children understand and value different ways of life.

The study of different cultures and societies enables pupils to develop empathy, fairness, and a sense of social responsibility. Children are given the opportunity to compare history to modern life, allowing them to understand and celebrate how life has developed.

The teaching and learning of history is a way to demonstrate the importance of equality and mutual respect, such as the exploration of different cultures, beliefs and societies.

Through the experience of guest speakers and memorable experiences children develop an understanding of diversity and tolerance within society and the important role these play within the local community.

Understanding how other people lived can help children understand how society has developed today. This helps them to acknowledge and understand how different protected characteristics require society to adapt and accommodate diverse needs.