

## VISION AND VALUES

Breakspeare School's mission statement 'Opportunity with Dignity' emphasises our commitment to providing each child and young person with a unique person centred learning experience. We are dedicated to enable all students to discover their potential for learning. Our students, regardless of their background, are at the centre of our school community and they learn about the importance of respect and tolerance throughout their school life.

We promote the basic British values of democracy, the rule of law, individual liberty, and mutual respect and tolerance for those of different faiths and beliefs. Therefore we build our teaching and learning on equal opportunities and access to practise skills that are needed for life in modern Britain.

We have an age appropriate and rich curriculum that ensures that our students learn about other cultures, religions and ethnic backgrounds. We provide our students with opportunities to experience differences and similarities through celebrations and festivals from round the world. It is important for us that our students' voice is listened to and they have many opportunities to make choices and express themselves. Our students have a safe environment in which they can experience boundaries and learn about responsibilities that further develop their understanding of themselves in relation to other people.

Our school is strongly linked to the local community and our well established links with schools from the same village are an extremely important part of our curriculum. These especially occur through Art and PE our students have many opportunities to visit different venues and other schools participating in competitions, tournaments and celebrations. Our international links provide our students with opportunities to make friends, visit other countries and learn from different cultures.

The safety and wellbeing of our student is of paramount of importance. Therefore we work closely with parents, social work teams and our medical team with regards to any concerns about health and safety of our students. The school has responsibility to report safeguarding concerns to Social Services.

- Ms Merja Paakkonen and Mrs Caroline Day Lewis are Designated Senior Persons (DSP) at school
- Mrs Olga Sooby is our Safeguarding governor
- Mr Michael Wheeler is our Health and Safety governor

Our School has a Health and Safety Committee that meets regularly to monitor health and safety issues at school. Our Child Protection Policy and Health and Safety Policy are available in our 'Documents' section. All our staff have been DBS checked and they participate annually in safeguarding and WRAP training.

Our staff shares a commitment to achieve the highest standards in teaching and learning as well as in the health and safety of our vulnerable children and young people.