

## St Andrew's School Values

Our school Christian values are theologically rooted in character based on The fruit of the Spirit found in Galatians 5:22-23. "The Spirit produces love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, humility and self-control

At St Andrew's we believe that all of our values permeate throughout school life and they build on our core values of [Love](#), [Respect](#) and [Responsibility](#).

	VALUE
<b>SEPTEMBER</b>	<b>RESPECT:</b> is about valuing everyone and everything and celebrating our differences. We are all God's people and we all matter. Respect involves us taking responsibility for each other and speaking and interacting with others in a courteous manner.
<b>OCTOBER</b>	<b>FAIRNESS:</b> In Exodus, the people are instructed to deal with everyone fairly and never to show partiality to one group above another (Exodus 23:2). We believe that all people have value. Fairness includes justice; for the poor or oppressed so they can have health, freedom and dignity.  In our school we consider how social justice can impact on people, especially for those who suffer the most and who are least able to protect and advocate for themselves.
<b>NOVEMBER</b>	<b>PEACE:</b> 'God blesses those who make peace. They will be called his children.' Matthew 5:9. We consider Jesus as the ultimate peacemaker who sacrificed his life to restore our relationship with God. We look for opportunities to repair our relationships if they breakdown. We are given the opportunity to experience stillness, quietness and reflection in our daily lives.
<b>DECEMBER</b>	<b>JOY:</b> The beauty and wonder of the world God created brings us joy. Joy comes from believing in God, belonging to His Kingdom, and knowing Jesus and being with one another.
<b>JANUARY</b>	<b>COMPASSION:</b> We try to put ourselves in someone else's shoes, especially when they are having a hard time. It's about trying to understand how they are feeling and then being pro-active in wanting to help. Colossians 3 v12 'Clothe yourselves with compassion'.
<b>FEBRUARY</b>	<b>RESPONSIBILITY:</b> God expects us to take responsibility for our actions. We learn to accept our mistakes and to seek forgiveness. We consider the responsibilities we have to one another and to the world God created.
<b>MARCH</b>	<b>RESILIENCE:</b> Resilience is the strength of character to keep going even when we encounter challenge. We learn from the Bible how to keep going when seeking justice or serving others, knowing that they don't have to do it alone.
<b>APRIL</b>	<b>FORGIVENESS:</b> Jesus taught us about forgiveness. We try to make a conscious effort to forgive and let go of negative feelings that come with difficult times and conflict. 'If you forgive anyone's sins, they will be forgiven' (John 20:23).
<b>MAY</b>	<b>LOVE:</b> We believe that Jesus' life and work are our best examples of love in action and we are inspired to show love and care to one another.
<b>JUNE</b>	<b>WISDOM:</b> Wisdom is not just about how clever or academic someone is. it is about how we use our knowledge to make good choices and decisions. We want to be wise with our knowledge and skills. God wants us to use our wisdom to consider the consequences of our actions.
<b>JULY</b>	<b>KINDNESS:</b> "Do to others as you would have them do to you." Luke 6:31. We try to live this in our daily lives by being friendly, helpful, supportive to one another in our work and our relationships.