

Month	Value
September	<p>Positivity</p> <p>After everything that has happened in the last few months, focusing on positivity is an ideal way to begin a new school year. There is no denying that recent months have been confusing and distressing in many ways and focusing on the positive will help ensure we all settle back into school life with the best mind-set possible!</p>
October	<p>Respect</p> <p>This is a value that is at the core of everything we do in school. It underpins learning through behaviour and one's attitude to the people and the world around them. We want our whole school community to respect each other. One of the most important things we can teach our children and each other is respect. The best way to teach respect is to show respect. When a child experiences respect, they know what it feels like and begin to understand how important it is.</p>
November	<p>Peace</p> <p>November is traditionally a time of remembrance and appreciating the peaceful times we now live in. This month's value gives chance to take part in remembrance but also to think about what 'peace' means to us, learning of ways to find inner peace and work in harmony with others.</p>
December	<p>Love & Forgiveness</p> <p>As Christmas draws closer, it is the perfect time to think about and spend time with those we love. It is also a good time to think about what is most important to us as well how we treat those around us. At a time of celebration, it is an ideal time to think about how we can spread and show love, not just with those who are closest to us but within the community around us as well.</p>
January	<p>Hope</p> <p>A new year is often a hopeful time for many and therefore this month's value gives the children a chance to refocus their hopes and dreams for the coming year and set goals they want to achieve. We will discuss the positive effect hope can have on us as well as looking at the ways we can help achieve our goals and ambitions.</p>
February	<p>Perseverance</p> <p>Being able to be persevere through a challenge is a skill that many find difficult, yet is essential to being successful in many areas of school life. We learn of ways to maintain determination to overcome a challenge and come out smiling the other side. This value complements January's value of 'hope,' as being able to persevere will ensure the children realise their goals and ambitions.</p>
March	<p>Co-operation</p> <p>In the school environment, co-operation is an important part of our daily life, but it doesn't mean that it always happens easily. During this month, we focus on working together as a team. We think of people working on tasks together and helping each other out. When we are united and co-operate well, we join together to do something, and achieve more than we do alone.</p>
April	<p>Courage</p> <p>I'm sure all the children could name a hero of theirs who is courageous and brave! At school, we do consider physical courage but we also teach</p>

	<p>the children about being courageous in everyday life (facing academic challenges, starting new schools, standing up for what you believe in), which we hope will teach the children to be resilient as they face challenges in their lives.</p>
May	<p>Tolerance and Understanding During this month, we discuss how each person should be valued and appreciated for who they are. We think of people working in harmony with one another and accepting and appreciating each other. We celebrate that we are all unique and have different skills and personalities that need to be shared, understood and celebrated.</p>
June	<p>Friendship Friendship is explored constantly in all areas of school life. Children (and adults) are at their happiest and most confident when amongst friends. Unhappy times at school are usually as a result of children having minor 'fall outs' or disagreements with each other. Staff are sensitive in dealing with these issues and children are very clear about what makes a good friend.</p>
July	<p>Appreciation The end of the academic year is a perfect time to show others your appreciation. It's time to acknowledge how hard others have worked and that we want the best for them. Taking the time to say 'thank you'. Thinking about manners and being polite to others. Taking the time to listen.</p>