

Promoting British Values

Blackwell Montessori Nursery has always promoted British values. Following the EYFS, the Montessori principles and other policies means that promoting British values is part of our everyday routine:

- Being polite, saying please and thank you
- Sharing and turn taking
- Making friends and friendship
- Being kind, helpful and respectful
- Teaching children to listen to each other
- Challenging stereotypes, no boys' or girls' only toys
- Table manners etc.

British Values are a set of four values introduced to keep children safe and promote their welfare.

Democracy

- Our open door policy means that parents are always welcome to talk to us and we will try our best to follow their wishes
- Children are given opportunities to make decisions about the choice of activities and resources they play with
- Children's ideas and opinions are valued and listened to

Rule of law

- we have a behavior policy in place, all staff follow the same strategies to deal with children's behavior
- we teach children right from wrong
- children are expected to follow nursery rules
- we teach children that rules exist to protect them from harm and that there are consequences when rules are broken

Individual liberty

- children are actively encouraged to make choices, knowing that they are in a safe and supportive environment
- we provide boundaries for children to make choices safely, through our provision of a safe enabling environment and effective teaching
- Children have plenty of opportunities to express their ideas and opinions

Mutual respect and tolerance of those of different faiths and beliefs

- we have an Equality and diversity policy in place
- we encourage children to treat others as you want to be treated
- children learn about respect through interactions with caring adults and by being respected
- we celebrate and mark many British traditions as well as learn about other cultures, religions and beliefs
- we promote tolerance, teach children about similarities and differences
- we have a zero tolerance on bullying