## RYDES HILL PREPARATORY SCHOOL & NURSERY

# P(a) – ETHOS AND AIMS INCLUDING EYFS / EARLY YEARS CHILDREN



#### **MISSION STATEMENT**

- Rydes Hill Preparatory School and Nursery is a Catholic School where children learn how to live in loving relationship with God and each other.
- Christian virtues of love and justice, faith and courage, hope and perseverance are fostered.
- Pupils and staff comprise individuals of different faiths and beliefs but the Rydes Hill community aspires to unity within the life of the School based on shared moral values.
- The importance placed on the development of individual talents is at the heart of what School stands for and all are encouraged and challenged to be the best they can be.

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# **Revision History**

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# Abbreviations, Acronyms and Definitions

Abbreviation / Acronym	Definition
EYFS	Early Years Foundation Stage

## Aim / Objective / Statement of Intent

This policy applies to the whole school including EYFS.

1. The objective of this policy is to ensure a clear understanding of the School's Aims and Ethos across the entire school community.

### **Ethos/Mission Statement**

2. Rydes Hill Preparatory School & Nursery is a Catholic school where children learn how to live in a loving relationship with God and each other. Christian virtues of love and justice, faith and courage, hope and perseverance are fostered. Pupils and staff comprise individuals of different faiths and beliefs but the Rydes Hill community aspires to unity within the life of the school based on shared moral values. The importance placed on the development of individual talents is at the heart of what the school stands for and all are encouraged and challenged to be the best they can be.

#### **Aims**

#### 3. We aim to:

- Promote excellence in all areas, and to develop each pupil's abilities and character to the full.
- Provide academic teaching and to foster learning and scholarship of the highest quality together with a wide range of cultural, sporting and extra-curricular activities.
- Promote a purposeful and disciplined atmosphere, in which children are encouraged to achieve their full potential, staff can find vocational fulfilment in their career, parents, Governors and all can use their talents for the greater good of our community and for society as a whole.
- Prepare children so that they are equipped to adapt to a changing and diverse world.
- Build resilience, nurture an awareness of spiritual and moral values and uphold our kindness code.
- Recognise each member of the School community as unique, with talents to develop and a contribution to make and that equal opportunities are available to all.
- Encourage pupils from a variety of backgrounds who have a range of qualities, abilities
  and talents, pupils who will make a real contribution to the success of the School in
  many different ways.

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