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## Promoting British Values at Manchester Settlement School

Manchester Settlement School is committed to reinforcing key 'British Values' and promoting the community of East Manchester. Manchester Settlement School recognises the multi-cultural and multi-faith nature of contemporary life in the United Kingdom and aims to educate students on the diverse nature of our society. The School understands the vital role it has in ensuring that groups or individuals within the school are not subjected to intimidation or radicalisation. It follows equal opportunities guidance which guarantees that there will be no discrimination against any individual or group, regardless of: faith; ethnicity; gender; sexuality and political or financial status. The government emphasises that schools are required to ensure that key 'British Values' are taught in all UK schools and has set out its definition of British values in the 2011 Prevent Strategy.

The five British Values are:

- Democracy
- The rule of law
- Individual liberty
- Mutual respect
- Tolerance of those of different faiths and beliefs

The examples that follow are an indication of some of the ways we embed British Values at Manchester Settlement School and should be seen as an indication of our approach rather than an exhaustive list.

### **Democracy**

Manchester Settlement School pupils have a voice, this is exercised in every lesson and through regular pupil voice activities.

**The Rule of Law**

Manchester Settlement School consistently reinforces the importance of laws and rules, whether they govern a class, the school or the country. Laws and rules are also reinforced through year assemblies. Students are taught the values of laws and rules, the reasons behind them and the consequences that apply when they are broken.

**Individual Liberty**

Students are actively encouraged to think about and make good and right choices in their daily lives in and out of school. We provide students with a safe and secure environment that supports them in making the right choices via a balanced curriculum and exceptional behaviour policy. Students and staff work together for a large number of charitable causes throughout the year.

**Mutual Respect**

Respect is at the core of our school ethos and is modelled by students and staff alike. The school promotes respect for others and this is reiterated through our classroom and learning environments. The relationship between students and staff is demonstrated throughout the school, as well as through the wide range of extra-curricular trips that are organised by departments within the school.

**Tolerance of Others**

The various churches and faith groups that call Britain home are all a key part of life at Manchester Settlement School. We strive to improve our students' understanding of their place in a culturally diverse society and by giving them opportunities to experience such diversity in school. Assemblies and discussions involving prejudices and prejudice-based bullying are supported through a range of subjects.