

All members of the Harvey Primary School community have the right to be treated and the responsibility to behave in a virtuous manner at all times.

Code of Courtesies

By following this simple code of courtesies, we all help to make our school a better place:

- * Say "Hello", or "Good Morning" to everyone you meet for the first time in the day.
- * Speak to everyone in the school community using their name (if you know it)
- * Keep eye contact when speaking with other people.
- * When someone is talking to the class/group, do not carry on a conversation with others.
- * Use "Please" and "Thank you" at all times.
- * Knock on the door before you enter a room, wait for eye contact and then say "Excuse me (name the person), may I...".
- * If arriving late to class, say "Excuse me (name the person), I'm sorry for being late (and offer a reason for your lateness).
- * Respect other's personal space.
- * Offer assistance to others when it is needed or asked for, and only do so if it is safe or appropriate to do so.
- * Take your hat off when you are inside a building or at assembly.
- * Show respect for older people and those less able than you by allowing them to go before you when entering a room, giving up your seat for them or being considerate of their needs.



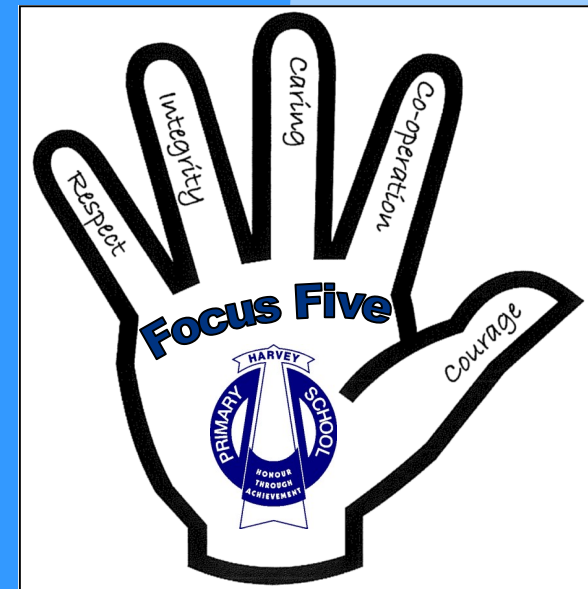
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The Virtues Project

What is a virtue?



A virtue is a quality of character that allows you to behave and interact in a positive and meaningful way in society.

What is the Virtues Project?

The Virtues Project at Harvey Primary School is transforming the culture of the school by helping students and teacher create a total environment of caring and respect. The Virtues Project is important because virtues are present in all cultures and they build and promote the growth of a child's character.

The Virtues Project works at Harvey Primary School because of three reasons:

1. *We speak the language of virtues*

Teachers are promoting the language of virtues in their classrooms by filling their rooms with the language of virtues. When students are immersed in words such as helpful, excellent, compassionate, self disciplined and kind, we have found that they flourish in these behaviours. Children can put a name to the behaviour that they see.

2. *We recognise teachable moments*

If incidents occur, either positive or negative, we draw the students' attention to them by using the virtues language.

3. *We set clear boundaries*

The school has clear boundaries and ground rules that are consistent amongst all classrooms based on virtues and all teachers focus on promoting and supporting positive behaviour



The Focus Five

The Focus Five are the five most important virtues that staff at Harvey Primary School have chosen to be explicitly taught and promoted throughout the school. Underneath these five virtues, all the other virtues lie.

Respect, Integrity, Caring, Cooperation and Courage

The Focus Five

Respect

To value someone or something, and have consideration for others.

We follow the school rules and show pride in our school. We understand that everyone deserves respect, even if we do not get along with someone or agree with what they are saying.



Integrity

To act according to a sense of what is right and wrong, and to be true, honest and sincere.

We have belief in ourselves and our virtues and we stand up for what is right.

Caring

To display kindness and show concern for others.

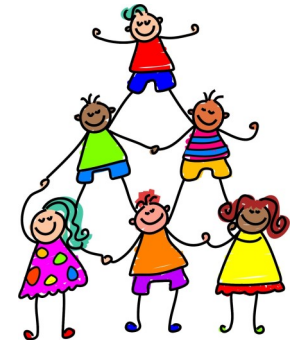
We help our peers and teachers, and think about other people's feelings. We are kind to everyone.



Cooperation

To work together towards a common goal or purpose.

We share the load to complete a task or activity.



Courage

To act according to one's beliefs, or to choose to confront a challenge or uncertainty.

We try things every though we are scared or nervous. We speak out when something is not right.