British Values – PE

The PE curriculum at Waterthorpe supports the British Value of democracy by teaching children about the needs for different roles and responsibilities, including team work and decision making. We do this by encouraging children to take on roles such as having captains in team games. Furthermore, children are encouraged to consider the view of others. We do this by having children working in groups and assessing each other, giving feedback and praise to each other.

The Rule of Law underpins all PE lessons as children are taught about rules, fairness and respect through a variety of PE activities. They understand the need for rules and adhere to them and are also encouraged to develop their own rules for activities that they create themselves. Through PE, children learn to work individually and in groups. There is an established ethos in PE with regard to how to win and lose fairly and to start to understand good sportsmanship. We encourage competition against oneself in addition to competition against others. We do this through PE lessons and extra physical activities such as active afternoons, where we encourage children to try to beat their own scores each day. We also take part in festivals and competitions against other schools within our family of schools.

Individual Liberty in promoted in PE each lesson. The children are taught to recognise and respect individual differences. They are able to make judgements about their own and others' performances during PE lessons, and give feedback to each other. During PE lessons, children work in mixed ability groups to build confidence.

Mutual respect and tolerance is promoted in PE lessons through teaching children about the environment and different activity contexts. Our school promotes and engages in competition both within and across schools. Children are taught to respect PE equipment and the venues that they visit during festivals and competitions. They demonstrate appropriate behaviour and have a regard for the rules during PE.