A collection of Vision, Ethos, Mission & Aims Statements from schools across the dioceses of Portsmouth and Winchester

Thank you to the head teachers who shared their school statements in the autumn term of 2010.

This collection is intended to be a resource for all our schools so if you would like to have your vision statement added to the pack, please email it to chris.pritchard@portsmouth.anglican.org. The statements are offered as examples freely shared by the schools concerned.

Vision Statements
The value of any set of words is how they manifest themselves in the life of the institution. It would be possible to create a check list for school statements but this could result in conformity rather than realising the unique challenges that each school faces. However it may be helpful to look at a couple of questions from the Statutory Inspection of Anglican Schools (SIAS) framework.

Question 1
*How well does the school through its distinctive Christian character meet the needs of all learners?*

If your vision statement helps you define the distinctive Christian character of the school then you have a benchmark to work from and self evaluate against.

The first sub question of SIAS question 1 is:
*How well do the school’s Christian values have an impact on all learners and enable them to flourish as individuals?*

Here again defining the specific Christian values that underpin your school will be a valuable starting point.

Question 4
The leadership and management question of SIAS (number 4) provides further opportunities to self evaluate how well the schools values are defined, developed, implemented and communicated.

Time for review
Without quality time being given to the definition and elaboration of your vision statement it may be difficult to make the amazing yet implicit Christian character of your school explicit.

Support materials and training sessions on developing the school’s Christian character can be obtained from the diocese and the Christian Values 4 Schools website is a growing resource. [www.christianvalues4schools.co.uk](http://www.christianvalues4schools.co.uk)
### Mission statement

- The mission of our Church school is to discover and develop to the full, the divinely entrusted talents of each individual within a secure, caring Christian community.

> “Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you shall find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives; he who seeks finds; and to him who knocks, the door will be opened.”

Matthew Chapter 7 Verses 7 and 8 (New International Version)

### Our School Vision:

- As a Church of England School, ?? C E Primary School is dedicated to maintaining its Christian Ethos.
- We believe it is essential to foster a spiritual and moral view of life in all our children.
- We appreciate and value the ethos of our school. We aim to provide a supportive, learning environment, based on clear spiritual principles, which permeate all aspects of life.
- We value the expertise and enthusiasm of the staff. They, in turn, value the happiness, security and education of our children. The children are placed first in whatever is planned, considered and completed.
- We aim to provide a quality of education, within a safe, stimulating Christian environment.
- Together, with a sense of worth and a genuine concern for others, we aim to give every child the opportunity to develop and enjoy his or her maximum potential, not only in academic work, but also in creative, practical, sporting and social activities, so as to prepare them to understand and live a healthy and productive lifestyle.
- We have a strong belief in the traditional values of hard work, courtesy and good behaviour. We promote consideration for others and we have an expectation that respect will be shown at all times.
- We place great importance in the basic skills of literacy and numeracy but we also identify opportunities to prepare our children for the demands and experiences of adult life.
- We aim to develop the knowledge, understanding and skills necessary to become an active responsible citizen.
- We aim to foster a spirit of co-operation and loyalty, learning to appreciate that every member of our school community has a right and responsibility to make a contribution. He or she will be encouraged
to respect the contributions of others, recognising each individual’s right to equality.

- We value greatly the close partnership between home and school. We encourage the active support given by parents to the children’s work and the life of the school.
- We offer the opportunities for each child to gain the skills necessary for individual learning and to move confidently on to the next phase of education.
- We aim to provide and welcome opportunities to prepare our children for their roles as members of an intercultural and multi-faith community.

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It is a place where we learn **in order** to love God, one another and ourselves. A rich and varied curriculum enables us to discover the wonders of God’s creation and the worth of other people. Learning in an atmosphere of excellence and enjoyment enables us to grow in confidence and self esteem.

### 4

At ?? C of E Infants, Christian values underpin the whole life of the whole school.

We value individual achievement, good relationships, inclusion, spirituality and enjoyment.

We aim to be a community where all are appreciated and respected and where children are given a firm foundation for life.

In our ‘ARISE’ Core Values - S is for...

**Spirituality**

We strive to nurture among everyone a real sense of purpose of who we are in the world and how special and unique we are in the eyes of God.

### 5

**Our values are:**
- Independence
- Creativity
- Collaboration
- Spirituality

**Our vision is:**
- We aspire to inspire **everyone** to be the best that they can be.
- We aim to provide innovative learning opportunities in a forward thinking environment, where all are prepared to embark on future challenges with excitement and confidence.
- A unique Christian community which lays strong foundations and values lifelong learning.
- Our caring ethos enriches the extended ??? family, nurturing and stimulating dreams. As the heart of the community, we endeavour to foster love, respect and responsibility and reach out into the wider world.
- One song, many voices.
- “A small school where big things happen”

### 6

At ?? School we believe:
- All children are unique in the eyes of God

In the light of this belief the skills that we hold to be important in the development of our pupils are:

**Spiritual Literacy:**
- acknowledging that the world is a diverse place
- understanding the beauty of the world around us
- being respectful towards others and aware of their feeling, emotions and beliefs

**Emotional Literacy:**
- part of everyday life working with people
- understanding the impact that our feelings have on the day to day life of ourselves and others
- having respect for ourselves and others

‘inspiring children to create a better world’
Life Skills:
• essential skills to enable learners to be confident adults
• relevant to all areas of our life
• essential for learners to become knowledgeable, considerate, active members of society

Vision

- As a Church school, at the heart of the community in partnership with parents, ?? CE Primary School is committed to enabling all pupils to achieve their full potential. We will do this through developing a love of learning within a creative environment, where everyone aspires towards excellence.

We aim to:
• Provide an education of the highest quality for each and every child
• Provide a caring and welcoming school based on Christian morals and values that safeguards and promotes the welfare for all.
• Foster a life-long love of learning by providing a stimulating, rich, exciting and engaging curriculum tailored to meet individual needs.
• Value and respect all members of the school and wider community and celebrate their efforts and achievements
• Foster a successful partnership with parents, carers, the church and community
• Develop enthusiastic and positive children who are prepared for their future.

Mission Statement
“Children, staff and parents working together in a caring Christian community; where all children are valued and enabled to achieve their full potential.”

Our Vision:
• A happy school rooted firmly in Christian principles with a family feel based on excellent interpersonal relationships.
• A school where pupils are motivated to learn to attain high standards and with an emphasis on personalised learning and progress.
• A friendly school where staff feel successful.
• A school where it is enjoyable to teach and fun to learn with a cohesive curriculum supported by effective assessment, cross-curricular links and high expectations, leaving space for experimentation.
• In short a school which children look back on in their adult years and say, “?? is a great place”

Working at ?? Primary School

Thank you for coming to work at ??! It is good to have a variety of people working within the school environment and to make the most of different experiences, skills and attitudes. This document is to help you to understand a little of “where the school is coming from” and to help you feel a part of the community quickly and easily. However, by far the best way to get to know the school is to talk to the people here: children, staff and parents!

There are a few expectations that we have about the way we would like everyone to be involved in the school; many of these are generic to all schools, others perhaps are more individual. Please discuss these notes with any
of the Senior Leadership Team or the teacher with whom you are working.

“At ?? Church of England Primary School we celebrate our Christian Foundation and aim to build upon it a caring and stimulating environment in which each child can develop and learn.”

In ?? School we are committed to:
1. Upholding Christian values and principles in the whole life and work of the school, e.g. we work together as a team and therefore hope that others will work within the spirit of the school, seeking to join in with as much as possible.
2. Developing a sense of Christian spirituality across the curriculum and through daily acts of worship, e.g. please attend any assemblies unless directed otherwise.
3. Developing every child’s maximum educational, social and spiritual potential, e.g. the emphasis is on all areas of achievement and giving opportunities for children to express themselves and work through relationships.
4. Providing high quality education matched to individual needs, giving all children full access to the National Curriculum, e.g. There is a focus on high quality planning, resourcing and teaching, so please ensure any resources are made well and can be presented as good examples to the children.
5. Valuing all children and adults, treating everyone with equal consideration and mutual respect, e.g. please speak politely to everyone, avoid any swear words or inappropriate language.
6. Promoting good co-operation and communication between children, staff, parents, governors, the church and the community, e.g. please talk to your teacher about any concerns, however trivial, so that they are aware of your needs.
7. Encouraging parents to take an active part in supporting the school, e.g. please be positive about the role of parents in school and avoid any discussion about individual children particularly if it is negative, as this can place them in a difficult position.
8. Sustaining a good and safe working environment for staff and children, and fairly proportioning and utilising the maximum resources of the school’s allocated budget, e.g. please ensure that you avoid being in a room alone with a child and should any personal information be given to you, inform the class teacher.
9. Promoting a happy and caring environment in which children can explore their own spirituality and world view, e.g. we try to have a very positive attitude in the school, although there are moments in the staff room when people are able to “let off steam”. It is important to ensure that the children are given a sense of the excitement of learning, which can often be instilled by the adults who surround them.

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At ?? School, we aim to inspire both academic achievement and personal development, by offering all our children access to a wide range of opportunities that challenge them to reach their potential, whilst promoting a sense of self worth. We encourage both staff and parents to support the children in our pursuit of high standards in education within a happy and supportive environment. We believe that this can be achieved by working in partnership with parents and the community in the spirit of the school’s Christian foundation.

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?? Church of England Primary School is a village school where happy children are inspired to learn all they are capable of learning.

12
The school’s mission is to serve the communities of ?? and ??? and provide pupils with a broad, balanced and differentiated curriculum set within the principles of a Christian education. Each child of God is recognised as an individual and encouraged to develop his or her varying talents, interests and potential.

The aim of the Governors and Staff is to help each child in our care realise his or her maximum potential. We aim:
1. To provide a happy, secure, stimulating and purposeful environment.
2. To develop a love of learning, the ability to ask and answer questions and the skills necessary to satisfy the children’s desire for knowledge as they strive for excellence in all pursuits.
3. To help pupils develop their own values and beliefs and yet
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1. To provide a happy, secure, caring and stimulating environment as part of a wider community.  
2. To develop a love of learning, the ability to ask and answer questions and the skills necessary to satisfy their desire for knowledge as they strive for excellence in all pursuits.  
3. To help each child develop their own values and beliefs, and yet respect the religious and moral values of others, whilst providing them with an education based on Christian principles.  
4. To develop a strong sense of right and wrong and an understanding of the responsibility each pupil has to contribute positively to their community. To encourage children to work co-operatively showing respect for each other and for property.  
5. To encourage parent partnership in their children's education.  
6. To promote children's self-esteem by encouraging the children to do their best, enjoy their school experiences and build on their own successes.  
7. Through citizenship skills, help children to understand and appreciate the community and world in which they live and prepare them for their future as adults.  
8. To raise the children’s cultural awareness fostering their appreciation of the arts and sciences and enabling them to develop an empathy with nature and the environment.  
9. To encourage each child to be confident to express their feelings in words, music and art and develop sensitivity towards the emotions and feelings of others as they move through the education system.  
10. To encourage children to develop extra-curricular interests to broaden their own perspective on life.  

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| We seek to:  
• Create a happy, secure and stimulating environment.  
• Offer parents a welcoming and pleasing environment and encourage open communication between home and school.  
• Enable staff and governors to feel involved and valued.  
• Reflect in our collective worship the beliefs and values of both our school and the Christian tradition.  
• Develop a strong sense of community with well established links.  
• Maintain close links with our local church. |
| Our vision: |
| The community of ?? Church of England Primary School aims to provide a high quality education which develops children intellectually, socially, morally, physically and spiritually within a Christian framework. |
| We aim to: |
| • Make the school a place of great enjoyment |
| • Give all stakeholders a pride in our school |
| • Value each child as an individual and encourage them to reach their full potential |

| To reach these aims we will ensure that: |
| • The school is a safe, secure and healthy environment. |
| • Children have the freedom to express themselves and want to learn. |
| • Independence and individuality are encouraged so children reach their full potential. |
| • The opinions, ideas and concerns of the children are listened to and taken into consideration. |
| • We provide an enjoyable, inclusive education allowing access to a broad, balanced, creative and relevant range of curricular and extra curricular activities. |
| • Consistently high standards and expectations of learning, teaching and behaviour throughout the school are maintained. |
| • Children are encouraged to develop a caring and responsible attitude for their environment. |
| • There is a mutual respect and an appreciation of the contribution of children, staff, governors, parents, the Church and the wider community. |
| • Effective teamwork is promoted through mutual support and co-operation. |
| • A positive partnership between parents and school is promoted and valued, recognising the important contribution parents make to their child’s education. |
| • We are an active part of the village community and make good use of the local environment. |
| • Every child has the opportunity to develop and be valued as a whole person – mind, body, emotions and spirit, within the context of the Christian faith. |

| Our mission statement: |
| We aim to provide the highest quality of teaching and learning for all our children. We seek to create a Christian environment that is open, stimulating, safe and caring. We strive to value each individual and encourage attitudes of self respect, responsibility and tolerance. |
| We value: |
| • The unique gifts and potential of every person |
| • Working together and including everyone |
| • Keeping safe, happy and healthy |
| • Trust in God, through the Christian faith |
| • Our school buildings, grounds and equipment |

| We aim to: |
| • Provide excellence in teaching and learning |
| • Create and maintain a happy, safe and stimulating environment |
| • Set high expectations and celebrate achievements |
| • Develop independent, confident children who can think for themselves, ask questions and evaluate their own work |
| • Make time for reflection |
| • Listen to and work co-operatively with parents, church and community |
| • Develop and cherish the whole person - mind, body, emotions and spirit |
| • Show respect and good manners to everyone |
| • Grow in understanding of our Christian faith |
| • Encourage respect and empathy for other world faiths |
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**Our Vision Descriptor**

“High Achievement for Everyone in a Caring Christian School” encapsulates the ethos of the School.

- The school code
  - At ?? School we show Care, Kindness, Respect for Others and Pride in our Work.
  - We let the teachings of Jesus guide us in all that we do.

- School Ethos
  - We have a ?? Code that is embedded in our behaviour policy and daily practice.
  - “At ?? School we show care, kindness, respect for others and pride in our work. We let the teachings of Jesus guide us in all that we do”.

- The code is learnt by all the children and referred to in all situations. The older children through our assembly groups and designated roles are actively encouraged to take on personal responsibility and to show that responsibility in their care for the younger ones.

## 17

?? School offers a broad and balanced curriculum within the caring ethos of a Church Aided School

**Our Vision**

- For all at ?? School to celebrate their unique and special place in the eyes of God, inspiring them to learn throughout their lives and to fulfil their potential.

**At ?? School, we value:**

- Partnership with parents
- Good behaviour
- Good manners
- Kindness, tolerance and respect for others
- Perseverance and motivation
- Our caring, family atmosphere
- Self-confidence and independence
- Recognition and celebration of every success
- The opportunity to be creative

## 18

?? is committed to excellence in teaching and learning within a Christian ethos

## 19

?? School aims to provide an excellent education for all built around a Christian framework, celebrating and rewarding all progress and preparing children for life.

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**Mission Statement:**

- Striving for understanding

**Vision:**

Children who leave ?? will have the understanding and skills to embrace Christian values in everyday life.

**Aims:**

?? C of E Primary School is committed to developing these values through:

- Providing a happy, caring, secure and stimulating child-centred environment.
- Encouraging independence and learning.
- Engendering spiritual and moral values in Christian context.
Through the schools Christian ethos they will respect the diversity within their community, themselves, differences of others and surroundings. Our pupils will leave school with the confidence and the ability and the desire to make responsible and appropriate choices. They aspire to their full potential and are valued members of the community.

| Creating opportunities for physical, cultural, emotional, social and aesthetic development.  
| Fostering self worth and respect for others and the environment locally, nationally and throughout the world.  
| Providing a high quality of education for all our children.  
| Providing support to enable every child to achieve individual attainment targets.  
| Developing a secure relationship, and working partnership, between home and school.  
| Providing a creative curriculum with the emphasis in literacy and numeracy.  

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| As a Voluntary Aided Church of England School, we aim to provide a broad, balanced and differentiated curriculum for all our pupils, set firmly within the guiding principles of a Christian education. Each child is considered to be a unique person whose individual talents and potential must be fully developed. Everything in school is designed to promote the highest standards of spiritual, academic, moral and social education. We aim to provide an ethos in which pupils can learn and be happy, as well as providing a firm and lasting foundation of knowledge and values to serve them as they grow up and take their place in the society of the twenty-first century.  

| Caring and sharing as part of Gods’ family  
| Mission Statement: Through this Christian Community we aim for all children to become:  
| • Successful learners, who enjoy learning, make excellent progress and achieve to the best of their ability.  
| • Confident individuals who are happy, healthy and enjoy a challenge.  
| • Responsible citizens who care for their environment and make a positive contribution to society.  

| 22  
| Vision: ?? a Christian community where everyone wants and knows how to learn.  
| Mission: To make learning enjoyable and exciting  

| 23  
| Our core values of **Acceptance, Forgiveness and Responsibility** are a consequence of God’s Love described through our faith that Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again. These values and our faith define our ethos. As we trust in God we build our trust in one another.  

| Acceptance at ?? means:  
| • we are all included  
| • we are all striving for a common goal  
| • we are all unique  
| • we recognise that we all make mistakes.  

| Acceptance enables and challenges us to:  
| • provide for everyone  
| • be rigorous in our anti-bullying policy and strategies  
| • respect views, cultures and beliefs that differ from our own.  
| • Learn from positive criticism.  
| • Value the varied skills and qualities of each person.  
| • Provide a voice for all.  

| Forgiveness at ?? is an action that enables and empowers people to be direct and open.  

Mission Statement: Through this Christian Community we aim for all children to become:
Forgiveness enables and challenges us to:
- Try new things, taking risks.
- Acknowledge, own and learn from mistakes.
- Earn trust and respect
- Teach the qualities of empathy
- Provide others with a fresh start

Responsibility at ?? means we have a duty to be the best we can be. Our actions are important and we are all accountable for them.

Responsibility enables and challenges us to:
- Provide opportunities for staff and children to make choices
- Be open and honest with each other
- Create opportunities for everyone to be the best they can be.

Daily worship provides staff and children with inspiration and spiritual guidance. We are well supported by local clergy and ministers and have a special relationship with the Church that founded the school, ??.

Worship confirms the values of our school and helps permeate our Christian ethos throughout all that we do.

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| **Vision:**
- Our School is committed to enabling the whole community to be happy, healthy, creative and reflective life-long learners.
- We foster a lively and inspiring Christian environment |

| **Mission:** To achieve this through
- Maintaining a Christian Ethos
- Ensuring Every Child of God Matters
- Excellence in Teaching and Learning
- A vibrant skills-based curriculum |
Atmosphere in which everyone can achieve their personal best.

- Ensuring equality of opportunity
- Effective use of our environment and resources
- A wide range of effective partnerships
- Developing inquiring and motivated learners

In short:
A community of global citizens equipped for the 21st century.

Values: in doing so we value
- Learning
- Curiosity
- Creativity
- Resilience
- Christian Principles
- Good Role-Models
- Honesty
- Mutual Respect
- Compassion
- Citizenship

Vision Statement

At ?? Church of England Primary School, we believe in educating the whole child. This means valuing each individual by supporting and nurturing academic, personal and social development.

We aim to create successful learners, confident individuals and responsible citizens who are able to adapt and grow as society and technologies change.

The successful learner:
- Is motivated by the adventure of learning
- Enjoys thinking creatively and solving problems
- Has an enquiring mind and participates actively in a variety of learning experiences
- Responds to challenge and makes the most of all opportunities
- Demonstrates perseverance, resilience and commitment

The confident individual
- Has a sense of self-worth and personal identity
- Is responsible, independent and has a good understanding of personal well-being
- Has secure values and beliefs based on sound moral principles
- Is developing a spiritual awareness and an understanding of their place in the world
- Reflects on, and celebrates, the wonders and mysteries of life

The responsible citizen
- Is polite, considerate and respects others
- Works and plays co-operatively and positively with others
- Communicates effectively for a range of purposes
- Celebrates diversity, showing tolerance and understanding
- Has some understanding of local and global issues, and how change can be affected by leading or taking part in local events

?? Church of England Primary School is a community. Our commitment to Christian principles provides the golden thread running through the school’s ethos, and we seek to develop the children’s awareness and understanding of God.

By building a strong partnership between home and school, we are able to work together to prepare the children to meet the challenges and opportunities that the future holds.

Imagine: We want to open our children’s minds to a world of possibilities, so they can explore and generate new ideas and solutions, and make sense of big ideas; we will open a window on wonder. By fostering empathy, we
**encourage respect, tolerance and understanding.**

**Create:** We encourage our children to bring energy, effort and enterprise to activities; we enable them to think, find things out, experiment, design and make in ways that allow them to bring mastery to their learning.

**Achieve:** Every child grows and develops at different rates. We support, challenge and celebrate each child as they strive for a personal best and become successful learners, confident individuals and responsible citizens.

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Together We Make A Difference.

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Our vision is for ?? Church of England Primary School
- To be an excellent school where everyone is valued and all our children are inspired and enabled to become successful, lifelong learners who achieve their full potential.
- To foster an understanding and tolerance of all faiths and cultures within our caring Christian community.
- To enable all our children to become self-motivated, responsible citizens, preparing them for a healthy fulfilling life.

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## 30

Flourishing together in a Christian Community

At ?? CE Primary School
- There are no invisible children.
- All engage
- Many will shine
- Some may excel
- We are all special members of God’s big family

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## 31

“Walking in the footsteps of Jesus with Love, Trust and Forgiveness.”

At ?? CE Primary School

The words “love, trust and forgiveness” were ones which the children spoke of more than any other when we talked about this. They wanted the school to be a place where these three things are the hallmarks. These are human values, but they are also Christian values, and so we wanted to make sure as a church school that we were living these values in the best way. We will continue to explore at what these words mean in our Collective Worship, but also throughout the curriculum and in our other activities. In class led Collective Worship, we do want to see a development in emphasis from performance to participation in wonder and worship.

So the phrase “walking in the footsteps of Jesus” is there to help us realise that each of us is on a journey in life. The footsteps we take as part of that school journey are vital ones for later on in life.
but vital ones for now. Because of our unique and distinctive relationship with the local church and its team of clergy and volunteers, we are aiming to shape these values around Christian principles.