Vocabulary list categorised by the core British Values:

DEMOCRACY

Definition: Democracy is the foundation of the UK's political system. This British value is based on the idea that everyone should have an equal say in how their country is run, and that the government should be accountable to the people. All things voting, elections and referendums come in to play here.

EYFS/KS1	LOWER KS2	UPPER KS2
• Vote / Voting • Voice • Opinion • Choice • Fair / Fairness • Decide / Decision • Turn-taking • Share ideas • Listen	• Agreement • Disagreement • Discussion • Suggestion • Group decision • Representation • Majority • Minority	• Debate • Election • Candidate • Representation • Participation • Responsibility • Influence

RULE OF LAW

Definition: Respect for the rule of law means that everyone in society is treated equally and fairly, and that everyone follows the same rules and laws. This value promotes a sense of order and stability in society, and helps to prevent crime and other harmful behaviours. The UK justice system is a large part of this, including laws, police officers and courts.

EYFS/KS1	LOWER KS2	UPPER KS2
• Rules • Right / Wrong • Safe / Safety • Follow • Fair rules • Help • Protect	• Boundaries • Consequences • Respect • Behaviour • Responsibility • Expectations • Community	• Laws • Justice • Order • Authority • Rights and responsibilities • Equality • Police • Court • Citizen

INDIVIDUAL LIBERTY

Definition: Individual liberty allows people to pursue their own goals and interests, providing they do not harm others. This British value is based on the idea that people should be free to make their own decisions and choices within the bounds of the law, of course.

EYFS/KS1	LOWER KS2	UPPER KS2
• Choice • Independence • Feelings • Express • Personal choice • Safe choices	• Freedom • Responsibility • Decision-making • Confidence • Identity • Safe behaviour • Online safety / E-safety	• Rights • Self-confidence • Self-esteem • Personal responsibility • Expression • Privacy • Self-advocacy • Consent (age-appropriate context)

MUTUAL RESPECT & TOLERANCE OF FAITHS AND BELIEFS

Definition: This can often be split into two: (1) mutual respect and (2) tolerance of different faiths and beliefs. Either way, they both promote understanding and acceptance of people from different backgrounds and with different beliefs, helping to create a more inclusive and diverse society.

EYFS/KS1	LOWER KS2	UPPER KS2
• Respect • Kindness • Friendship • Care • Share • Helping • Similarities • Differences	• Cooperation • Empathy • Appreciation • Understanding • Community • Traditions • Values • Culture	• Tolerance • Faith • Beliefs • Diversity • Equality • Harmony • Acceptance • Inclusion • Perspective • Identity • Prejudice • Stereotype • Discrimination