



Coleshill CE Primary School

With God's love, we grow and flourish together

Theologically Rooted Christian Vision

Who are we? (Context)

Coleshill Church of England Primary School is an academy in the Birmingham Diocesan Multi-Academy Trust (BDMAT), and of Voluntary Aided heritage. The school is located at the heart of Coleshill, historically a market town, in North Warwickshire, but now run independently by a Town Council. The school has strong connections to the Parish Church of St. Peter and St. Paul. It's striking 13th century steeple can be seen from the school site and is a constant reminder of the school's Christian foundation and faith.

The school is to the north of the Diocese of Birmingham. Coleshill has a population of around 7000 which, though increasingly diverse, remains mainly White British.

Coleshill Church of England Primary School enjoys strong and purposeful partnerships with the Parish Church, the Multi-Academy Trust and the Diocesan Board of Education, Southfields Farm, Bible Group, peripatetic music services and Coleshill town Brass Band.

We currently have 336 pupils across Early Years Foundation Stage and Key Stages 1 and 2. The Admission Number (PAN) is 60 in each year group. The falling roll impacts the resources of the school.

The school treasures its Christian Foundation and Anglican tradition, embracing pupils, staff, families, and visitors in the distinctively Christian culture. These are central to the school's identity in ordinary times, in times of celebration and in times of challenge. The school's work is inspired by and rooted in biblical and theological ideas from the Christian tradition.

What are we doing here? (Vision)

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We are a vibrant, connected and inclusive school. Rooted in God's love, creativity and nature inspire learning. We nurture joy and perseverance so that everyone flourishes as unique individuals.

Love shapes the way we live and learn together. We know we are loved. We know we belong. With compassion, confidence and hope, we grow thoughtful, responsible citizens who are ready to make a difference in our world.

"Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds us all together in perfect harmony"
Colossians 3:14

Our vision reflects the vision of the Church of England for Education; Deeply Christian, Serving the Common Good, and those of the Church of England Birmingham Diocesan Board of Education and BDMAT.

The Vision of BDMAT is:

'Clothed in LOVE (Colossians 3:14) we are a united family of schools serving our communities and helping ALL to flourish.'

We believe that God's love is not only the foundation of our identity but the thread that weaves through every relationship, decision, and act of service. As a Christian trust, we are called to model the love of God in action: inclusive, sacrificial, and transformative.

Our unity is grounded in the body of Christ (1 Corinthians 12:12–27), where each part, child, staff member and school, has its own unique place. Together, we form one community— diverse in many ways, but united in worth, purpose, and hope.

*We exist to **serve**—following the example of Jesus, "who came not to be served but to serve" (Mark 10:45). We are committed to supporting our children, families, and wider communities, especially the vulnerable, with humility, generosity, and justice. Through nurturing **wisdom**, promoting **hope**, and living out **love**, we seek the **flourishing** of every individual. Our vision is shaped by John 10:10, where Jesus promises "life in all its fullness"—academically, spiritually, emotionally, and socially.*

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Theologically and Biblically Rooted

The theological roots of our Christian vision lie in the connected theological themes of love, creation, and reconciliation.



Creation

Our vision is rooted in the Christian belief that Creation is God's gift and that every adult and child is made in the image of God. Scripture affirms, "*So God created mankind in his own image*" (Genesis 1:27), reminding us that we are all created with dignity, purpose and the capacity to grow. We recognise that everyone will make mistakes and experience failure, and we view these as part of God's ongoing work of growth, learning and transformation, supported through love, encouragement and forgiveness.

God creates everyone with unique abilities, possibilities, personalities and gifts. We celebrate diversity as a rich strength and actively encourage the positive qualities everyone brings, nurturing confidence, self-worth and aspiration. This belief underpins our inclusive practice and high expectations, ensuring that everyone is supported to flourish.

By fostering a strong connection with nature, we inspire awe and wonder, enhance wellbeing and deepen children's understanding of their responsibility for creation care. Through sustainable practices and outdoor learning, children develop respect for the world they inhabit and an understanding of their role as stewards of a diverse and precious planet.

Creation

Rooted in God's creation, we are a community where:

- *Uniqueness is treasured*
- *Difference is celebrated*
- *God's world is protected with awe and wonder*



Reconciliation

Our vision is underpinned by the Christian understanding of reconciliation as the restoration of relationships. Throughout the Bible, relationships between people and with God, are at the heart of God's purpose. This belief shapes our approach to choices, interactions and relationships, where integrity, honesty, forgiveness and responsibility matter more than rules or blame.

At the heart of Christian faith is the belief that Jesus' death and resurrection reconciled humanity with God. Offering hope, renewal and restoration give children the assurance that they are loved and accepted by God, even when they make mistakes. Within our school community, this truth creates a culture where failure is viewed as an opportunity for growth, supported by love, grace and guidance.

Jesus' life and teaching provide a model for living well with others, marked by compassion, humility and forgiveness. We encourage children to reflect on their actions, understand the impact on others and take responsibility for repairing relationships. This restorative approach develops integrity, resilience and empathy, so that conflict resolves peacefully and respectfully.

Reconciliation also shapes how we celebrate diversity of experience, belief and perspective. By encouraging open dialogue, generous listening and mutual respect we learn together to value difference and how strong, harmonious communities are built on understanding, forgiveness and shared responsibility. This prepares everyone to contribute positively to a diverse and connected world.

Reconciliation

Rooted in reconciliation we are a community where:

- *Mistakes become learning*
- *Responsibility and forgiveness bring repair*
- *Togetherness builds strength*



Love

Our vision is underpinned by the Christian belief that God is love (*1 John 4:8*). Jesus' commandment to "*Love one another as I have loved you*" (*John 13:34*) inspires us to make love the foundation of all that we do. This call shapes our school as a place where everyone matters to God, and where love is not only spoken, but lived.

Love is expressed through actions, choices and relationships. Love shapes how we treat one another, how we respond to mistakes and how we create a community where everyone is safe, valued and able to thrive. Through consistent, compassionate relationships, everyone can encounter God's love in our daily life together, enabling all to grow in confidence, trust and hope.

Love also calls us to justice and courageous action, especially in response to those in need. Jesus modelled love that was compassionate yet brave, gentle yet challenging. In our school, love looks

like standing up for others, speaking the truth with kindness and having awkward and brave conversations within a framework of respect and care. Difficult conversations are approached with honesty and integrity, ensuring that love leads to growth, restoration and flourishing.

Rooted in God's love, we are committed to acceptance and inclusion and the affirmation of the innate worth of every person. We create an environment where difference enriches us. Through love and acceptance, children learn to respect others, listen well and build positive relationships across cultures, experiences and perspectives.

Ultimately, our vision reflects the belief that God's love enables all to flourish. By grounding our living and learning in love, we nurture a community where children and adults feel known, valued and empowered to live well with others, guided by compassion, courage and hope.

Love

Rooted in God's love we are a community where:

- *Everyone matters*
- *Love is our way*
- *Everyone belongs*

How then shall we live and learn together?

Our vision is brought to life by the Christian values that are at the heart of our living and learning. We have chosen three core, overarching values and six that add richness and depth to the life of our community.

Our Core Values



LOVE

A selfless and unconditional commitment to action resulting in service and compassion towards others.

Kindness is the everyday action of love: showing care, gentleness, and warmth.

"Clothe yourselves with kindness, humility, gentleness and patience"
(Colossians 3: 12)

With God's love, our words and actions are thoughtful and friendly, so everyone in our community feels welcome.

Forgiveness is love in its most courageous form: letting go, restoring relationships, and offering a fresh start.

"Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us"
(Luke 11:4)

With God's love, we choose to forgive and let things go, accepting when someone is sorry, so we can build bridges and form trusting relationships.

These values help children to feel safe, valued and loved, make kind choices, and build positive relationships where everyone belongs.



*With God's love, we love each other.
We show kindness and forgiveness in
our words and actions.*



HOPE

Having a sense of confidence in the future informed by the power of love and the purposes of God, helping to build trust, community, safety, and connection.

Perseverance is the belief that effort leads to growth; hope in action.

"Perseverance (produces) character and character, hope"
(Romans 5: 4)

With God's love, we have the highest expectations of ourselves, so we keep trying even when we find things hard.

Self-control empowers children to make good choices and stay focused on future goals, which is deeply connected to hope and aspiration.

"The Holy Spirit produces this kind of fruit in our lives: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control."
(Galatians 5: 22)

With God's love, we stop and think about our feelings and actions so that we keep ourselves and others learning and safe.

These values help children look forward, grow, and believe change is possible.



*With God's love, we have hope that tomorrow can be better.
We trust God and each other as we learn and grow together.*



BELONGING

Having a sense of being accepted, loved, and included by God and others; knowing you are part of God's family that cares for one another.

Respect helps everyone feel valued and seen - an essential building block of belonging.

"In humility, value others above yourselves"
(Philippians 2: 3)

With God's love, we care for others, ourselves and our school. We listen and use good manners.

Honesty creates trust. Trust creates belonging. Without it, relationships and community can't flourish.

"Speaking the truth in love"
(Ephesians 4: 15)

With God's love, we are truthful so we can be trusted and grow in wisdom.

These values help build trust, community, safety, and connection.



With God's love, everyone is welcome in our Green School family.

We belong. We feel safe and included just the way we are.

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Our Identity

Our identity as 'The GREEN School' expresses how our Christian vision is lived out daily. GREEN reflects our commitment to God First, Respect, Excellence, Effort and Nature, rooted in biblical teaching and shaping who we are and how we live and learn together. Putting God First grounds our life and decisions in faith, guiding our values and purpose. Respect reflects Jesus' call to love our neighbour, shaping relationships built on dignity, kindness and humility. Excellence and Effort express our belief that everyone is called to grow, persevere and use their gifts well, working wholeheartedly as an act of service to God and others. Nature reflects our understanding of creation as God's gift, calling us to stewardship, care and responsibility for the world we share. Together, The GREEN School identity gives a clear, shared language for living out our Christian vision, shaping behaviour, learning, relationships and community life so that all can belong and flourish. We are proud to be The Green School team within and serving our community



We are the GREEN school



God First

"But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well."

Matthew 6:33



Respect

"Do unto others as you would have them do unto you."

Matthew 7:12



Excellence

"Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us ... run with endurance the race set out for us"

Hebrews 12:1



Effort

"Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord"

Colossians 3:23



Nature

"The LORD God took the man and put him in the Garden of Eden to work it and take care of it."

Genesis 2:15