

British Values Statement
The London Nautical School
2024

The London Nautical School is committed to serving the community, both locally and nationally through its unique ethos and historic link to the Merchant Navy and Armed Forces. It recognises the multi-cultural multi-faith and ever changing nature of the United Kingdom and the city in which we sit. We also understand the vital role in ensuring that groups, or individuals within the school are not subjected to intimidation or radicalisation by those wishing to unduly, or illegally, influence them. The School accepts admissions from all those entitled to an education under United Kingdom law, including pupils of all faiths or none. It follows policies outlined by the London Borough of Lambeth regarding equal opportunities which guarantee that there will be no discrimination against any individual, or group, regardless of faith, ethnicity, gender, sexuality, political, or financial status, or similar. We seek to serve all. In doing so, our learners will be able to grow as individuals and citizens within the community and country in which they live.

At the London Nautical School we believe that this is something not only achieved through the curriculum but through the school's core values and ethos as well as its provision for students beyond formal lessons. Our core values guide and drive the direction of the school's improvement but are also fundamental in supporting the development of British values within our setting.

The Government emphasises that schools are required to ensure that key "British Values" are taught in all UK schools. The Government set out its definition of British values in the "Prevent Strategy"- values of:

- Democracy
- The rule of law
- Individual liberty
- Mutual respect
- Tolerance of those different faiths and beliefs.

The London Nautical School uses strategies within the National Curriculum and beyond to secure such outcomes for our students in the following areas.

Curriculum themes and topics

Acts of collective worship/whole school/year assemblies.

Assemblies uphold traditional values of empathy, respect, and tolerance. Outside speakers, organisations and our Metropolitan Police Officer based in school helps reinforce these traditional values.

PSCHE

Mutual respect is also taught and expected throughout the school and taught within formal PSCHE and PRE Lessons. The students are encouraged to know, understand, and exercise their rights and personal freedoms and advised how to exercise these safely, for example through our E-Safety policy and PSHE work and advised by the PC how to keep safe.

Philosophy Religion and Ethics (PRE)

Tolerance of those of different faiths and beliefs is promoted in PRE as the students gain a greater understanding of religious diversity and practices for the religions represented in the UK. The school continues a long standing relationship with Southwark Cathedral and St George's Cathedral and the Carol services to which all pupils attend.

Physical Education (PE)

The promotion of the concept of "Fair Play" is followed rigidly by all, the following and developing of rules, celebrating and rewarding success, accepting defeat and participating in activities that promote cooperation with others and inclusion for all form an integral part of the PE curriculum. In addition providing activities in nautical activities that reinforce the same concepts. The continual links with visiting naval vessels in the Pool of London and elsewhere and giving students an insight into the role that the maritime and armed services play in the UK.

School Council

The school promotes democratic processes through the election of school representatives from all year groups. This fosters the concept of freedom of speech and group action to address need and concerns.

Involvement in Key local and National events.

This is an area of the school which we are immensely proud of. There has always been an extensive programme of events that students of all ages and abilities have been involved with. Below is a small example of events attended:

- Merchant Navy Remembrance Service Tower Hill
- Remembrance Service Whitehall

- St Paul's Memorial service for Mariners
- Sea cadet's involvement at both local events including the Lord Mayors Show.
- Whole School Remembrance Service
- School visits to Naval vessels Greenwich/Pool of London
- Tall Ships Celebration and Voyages.
- Holocaust Remembrance Service Southwark
- Student fundRaising.
- Model United Nations Schools Conference London
- Metropolitan Police workshops.
- Volunteering Team London
- Duke of Edinburgh Scheme
- Visit of Deputy Master, Trinity House
- Visits of Professional Football Players (Former Students)
- Trips to the Imperial War Museum.
- Week and mentoring programmes with partner organisations
- Partnerships: The Worshipful Company of Shipwrights. RYA.