

“Every Child Matters to God”

To imbue the agenda with Christian values the church school can:

Christian values	Be healthy	Look after the body (and spirit) that God made
Faith	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • create opportunities in the school day for prayer, worship, reflection, stillness • provide opportunities to develop in the Christian faith, and to respect those of a different faith or no faith position. • look at relationships and health in the light of moral, cultural, and faith values 	
Worship		
Prayer		
	Stay safe	Trust in God
Trust	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ensure that pupils are able to practise their faith without fear of prejudice or bullying • promote, within the Christian ethos, self-worth, self-respect and trust • foster an atmosphere of respect and listening where concerns can be voiced and questions raised, and then appropriate action taken 	
Challenging injustice		
Justice		
Peace		
	Enjoy and achieve	Use your talents
Using talents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • praise and celebrate achievements in all fields • provide opportunities for pupils to express their learning in a variety of ways • emphasise that humans do fail at times and that we can learn from our failures too 	
Joy		
Perseverance		
	Make a positive contribution	Be generous
Love	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • demonstrate ways of living based on Christian values in the context of a society which may have different values, (including giving and forgiving) • show what it means to love one’s neighbour • extend opportunities for pupils to contribute to the worship life of the school • encourage prayer for others • encourage initiatives which promote social cohesion and caring for the environment • develop links with religious communities outside the school • develop links with schools serving different communities either at home or abroad 	
Generosity		
Forgiveness		
Worship		
Reconciliation		
	Achieve economic wellbeing	Serve God and others
Service	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • promote an understanding of Christian stewardship and a responsibility to look after the planet’s resources • contribute towards the church’s work in helping people locally and in other parts of the world • explore the lifestyles of those who have chosen to follow teaching of Jesus about trusting God • encourage sharing of resources with others and collaboration • explore the relationship between wealth and happiness • participate in a range of charitable activities 	
Justice		
Challenging injustice		
Hope		
Stewardship		

Although the organisation and presentation are original, the idea to subvert the ECM agenda came from Lichfield Diocese. Some of the ideas have been taken from paper by Chris Shepherd (Diocese of Salisbury) and others from a Methodist and Anglican collaboration: “Every child matters - all precious in God’s sight”.