

Oxley Christian College

Our Christian Values

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1. Rationale

This policy identifies the values that underpin the curriculum focus and school culture that we strive to develop. After extensive professional development sessions and staff workshops the following document "Our Christian Values" was produced.

2. Our Christian Values

As a community committed to the Christian faith...

- we worship God
 - because he has demonstrated His love to us and deserves our highest praise
- we seek to model the life of Christ
 - o because through Christ, God has shown us how he wants us to live
- we uphold the Biblical standards of truth, goodness and beauty
 - o because we believe that the Bible is God's Word
- we rely on prayer and the Holy Spirit
 - because we believe that God has provided these as a means of relating with Him
- we spread the Good News and seek ways to serve God
 - because we believe that all people should have the opportunity to respond to the love of God and make the world a better place in which to live

As individuals...

- we act with integrity, self-control & humility
 - because we believe that God is just and holds us accountable for our actions
- we practice moral values such as honesty, patience, justice & mercy
 - because we believe that God wants us to follow His example of righteousness
- we base our relationships on love, forgiveness & reconciliation
 - because we believe that we should follow the example of Christ's love for us
- we aspire to excellence and wisdom in the use of our abilities and talents for the benefit of others
 - because we believe that these are gifts entrusted to us by God

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As members of the community...

- we seek to discover who we are and our place in the universe
 - because we believe that we learn about God through his creation
- we value the uniqueness of individuals and provide a nurturing, caring environment
 - o because we are all precious in God's sight
- we show respect, tolerance and live in harmony with others
 - o because we believe in the equal right of all people to live in peace
- we help those in need from a sense of compassion
 - because we believe that we should love one another
- we seek ways to sacrificially serve the community
 - o because we follow Christ's example of serving others

As mankind...

- we have a hope for the future
 - because we believe that we are created by God and redeemed by Jesus Christ

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