

S^T Olave's Grammar School **SCHOOL VALUES**

St Olave's is a Church of England school and a multi-faith community. Our Christian values are deeply embedded in the daily life of the school.

Duty to oneself

Matthew 25: 14 to 30 The Parable of the Talents

The belief that we should make the most of the abilities and opportunities which we have been given.

We should:

- work hard and take responsibility for our learning, our well-being and our personal development;
- understand that it is wrong to waste what we have been given and strive to make the most of our talents and the opportunities on offer.

Duty to others

Matthew 7: 7 to 12 "Do to others as you would have them do to you."

The message that we should act towards others as we would wish them to act towards us.

We should:

- be tolerant and respect the views and opinions of others;
- be able to distinguish right from wrong and abide by the law;
- show consideration and compassion in our dealings with each other.

Duty to the School

Luke 13: 20 to 21 Again he asked, "What shall I compare the kingdom of God to? It is like yeast that a woman took and mixed into about sixty pounds of flour until it worked all through the dough."

The idea that great things can grow from small beginnings and that the influence of an individual can have a profound and positive effect on the wider community. That is, everyone should seek to make a meaningful contribution to the life of the school and its community.

We should:

- participate actively in our learning and contribute to the co-curriculum;
- recognise our responsibilities to each other and our environment;
- support the academic and personal development of our friends and colleagues.

Duty to the Community

Matthew 25: 31 to 46 "I tell you the truth, whatever you did not do for one of the least of these, you did not do for me."

We are committed to making a significant contribution to the common good of the local community in which we are set and of the wider world through our learning and actions.

We should:

- be well-informed of the needs of our country and of the world;
- support and participate in programmes which seek to address those needs, locally and more widely.

School Prayer

All the duties identified above, are included in the School Prayer, which is found at the back of the School hymn book and below.

Eternal God,
Help us through our duty to you
To love our neighbour,
To care for others,
To do our best for and in school,
To work for the common good of our community,
And to care for ourselves as we serve you.
AMEN