

House Character Statement



Developing Key Values through Our House System Events

At our school, the House System plays a crucial role in cultivating key character values, helping students become well-rounded individuals who are equipped with the skills and mindset necessary to succeed in life. Through a variety of events—whether sports-based, curriculum-driven, or community-focused—students are constantly encouraged to live out and develop these values.

Character Values

Resilience	Open Mindedness	Courage	Responsibility	Empathy
Self-Regulation	Curiosity	Commitment	Team Work	Leadership
Determination	Creativity	Verbal Confidence	Social Intelligence	Citizenship

Sports-Based Events

In our competitive sports events, such as *Dodgeball* and *Basketball*, students build *Resilience*, *Teamwork*, and *Courage*. These events push students to work together, cope with both victory and defeat, and develop perseverance in challenging situations. *Leadership* emerges as students learn to motivate their teams, support each other, and show *Responsibility* for their actions. Both *Verbal Confidence* and *Social Intelligence* are nurtured as students navigate competition through clear communication, cooperation, and fair play.

Curriculum-Based Events

Our curriculum-based events provide diverse opportunities for students to engage in academic challenges while developing their creativity and discipline:

- The *Hatton Bake Off* promotes *Creativity*, *Commitment*, and *Self-Regulation* as students work hard to perfect their culinary creations, balancing flair with precision.
- *Earth Week* challenges students to become active, environmentally conscious citizens, fostering *Responsibility*, *Curiosity*, and *Open-Mindedness* as they explore global environmental issues and contribute to sustainability initiatives.
- *Art and Design* competitions enable students to express their creative visions while building *Determination* and *Leadership* by showcasing their skills and ideas.
- *Hatton's Got Talent* helps students gain *Verbal Confidence* and *Creativity* by stepping onto the stage, performing in front of peers, and expressing themselves through various art forms.

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- *Dragon’s Den* with Business Studies requires *Leadership, Teamwork, and Creativity* as students pitch innovative ideas, using problem-solving skills and entrepreneurial thinking.
- *Science Week* sparks *Curiosity, Resilience, and Commitment* as students engage in scientific experiments and investigations, tackling challenges that require critical thinking.
- The *Maths Pi Day Challenge* encourages *Self-Regulation and Determination*, pushing students to persevere through complex mathematical problems while enjoying the intellectual challenge.
- The *English Short Story Competition* nurtures *Creativity, Verbal Confidence, and Empathy* as students craft narratives that connect with readers, expressing emotions and ideas through storytelling.

Through these curriculum-based events, students have the chance to explore their academic interests while building essential skills like problem-solving, creativity, and intellectual resilience.

Community-Based Events

Our community-based events play an essential role in fostering *Empathy, Citizenship, and Social Intelligence*:

- The “*Be an Upstander, Not a Bystander*” poster campaign during *Anti-Bullying Week* encourages students to lead by example, promoting kindness, respect, and action against bullying.
- The *Christmas Jumper Competition* and *Food Bank Collection* cultivate a strong sense of *Responsibility and Citizenship*, teaching students the value of supporting charitable causes and giving back to the community.
- The *Kindness Pay It Forward* initiative promotes acts of *Empathy*, encouraging students to spread kindness and positively impact those around them.
- *Charities Week* and other fundraising activities inspire students to take ownership of their community, contributing to causes they care about while learning the importance of generosity and collective action.

In summary, our House System events—whether on the sports field, in the classroom, or through community engagement—are integral to shaping students' character. Through these diverse experiences, we cultivate a range of values such as *Resilience, Empathy, Creativity, and Leadership*. These events empower students to become confident, compassionate individuals who are well-prepared to contribute positively to the world around them.

Fostering Excellence, Aspiration, Achievement, Community, and Inspiration through Our House System Events

Our House System events are deeply embedded in our commitment to cultivating *Excellence, Aspiration, Achievement, Community, and Inspiration* in every student. Each event is carefully crafted to support these values, providing students with meaningful opportunities to grow academically, socially, and personally.

Excellence is at the heart of every event, as we challenge students to push beyond their limits. In *Dodgeball* and *Basketball*, students hone their physical skills, aiming for precision, teamwork, and endurance, while also learning to cope with setbacks and push forward—qualities essential for excellence both on and off the field. Academic competitions such as the *English Short Story Competition* and *Art and Design* showcase students' creative and intellectual excellence, allowing them to perfect their craft and produce work they are proud of. Through events like *Science Week* and the *Maths Pi Day Challenge*, students engage in critical thinking and problem-solving, striving for excellence by applying their knowledge in innovative ways.

Aspiration is fostered through events that inspire students to dream big and aim high. The *Dragon's Den* competition, for example, encourages students to think like entrepreneurs, developing innovative ideas and presenting them confidently. This cultivates a mindset of ambition and creative problem-solving. The *Duolingo Challenge* in Modern Foreign Languages promotes linguistic and cultural curiosity, motivating students to aspire toward global awareness and communication skills. *Hatton's Got Talent* pushes students to aspire for creative expression, encouraging them to showcase their unique talents and build self-confidence in front of their peers.

Achievement is celebrated in every event, reinforcing the belief that hard work leads to success. Whether it's through winning the *Hatton Bake Off*, excelling in the *English Short Story Competition*, or solving complex problems during *Maths Pi Day*, students experience the sense of accomplishment that comes from dedication and effort. Even in sports events like *Dodgeball* or *Basketball*, personal and team achievements are recognized, not just for victory but for growth, perseverance, and teamwork. Curriculum-based events like *Earth Week* allow students to achieve a deeper understanding of important global issues, fostering a sense of accomplishment in contributing to environmental sustainability.

Community is a core value emphasized through numerous events that encourage students to connect with others, support causes, and uplift those around them. The *Food Bank Collection*, *Christmas Jumper Competition*, and *Kindness Pay It Forward* initiatives teach students the importance of helping those in need, nurturing empathy and a sense of social responsibility. In events like the "Be an Upstander, Not a Bystander" poster campaign during *Anti-Bullying Week*, students actively promote positive school culture by standing against bullying, thus fostering a safer, more inclusive environment. These events build a strong, compassionate community where students understand their role in creating a supportive and caring atmosphere.

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Inspiration is woven into events that encourage students to express their creativity and take bold steps toward personal growth. *Hatton's Got Talent* and the *Art and Design* competitions allow students to inspire their peers with their artistic abilities and performances, highlighting the power of creativity and individuality. The entrepreneurial spirit fostered by the *Dragon's Den* competition inspires students to think outside the box and develop practical solutions to real-world problems. *Charities Week* inspires students to think beyond themselves, engaging in activities that benefit the wider community and encouraging a culture of giving and kindness. Events like *Earth Week* motivate students to take action on environmental issues, inspiring them to become future leaders in sustainability.

In summary, through these carefully designed House System events, students are provided with invaluable experiences that align with our core values of *Excellence, Aspiration, Achievement, Community, and Inspiration*. Whether through sports, academic challenges, or community service, our events encourage students to strive for greatness, contribute meaningfully to society, and find inspiration in their own growth and in the achievements of others.



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