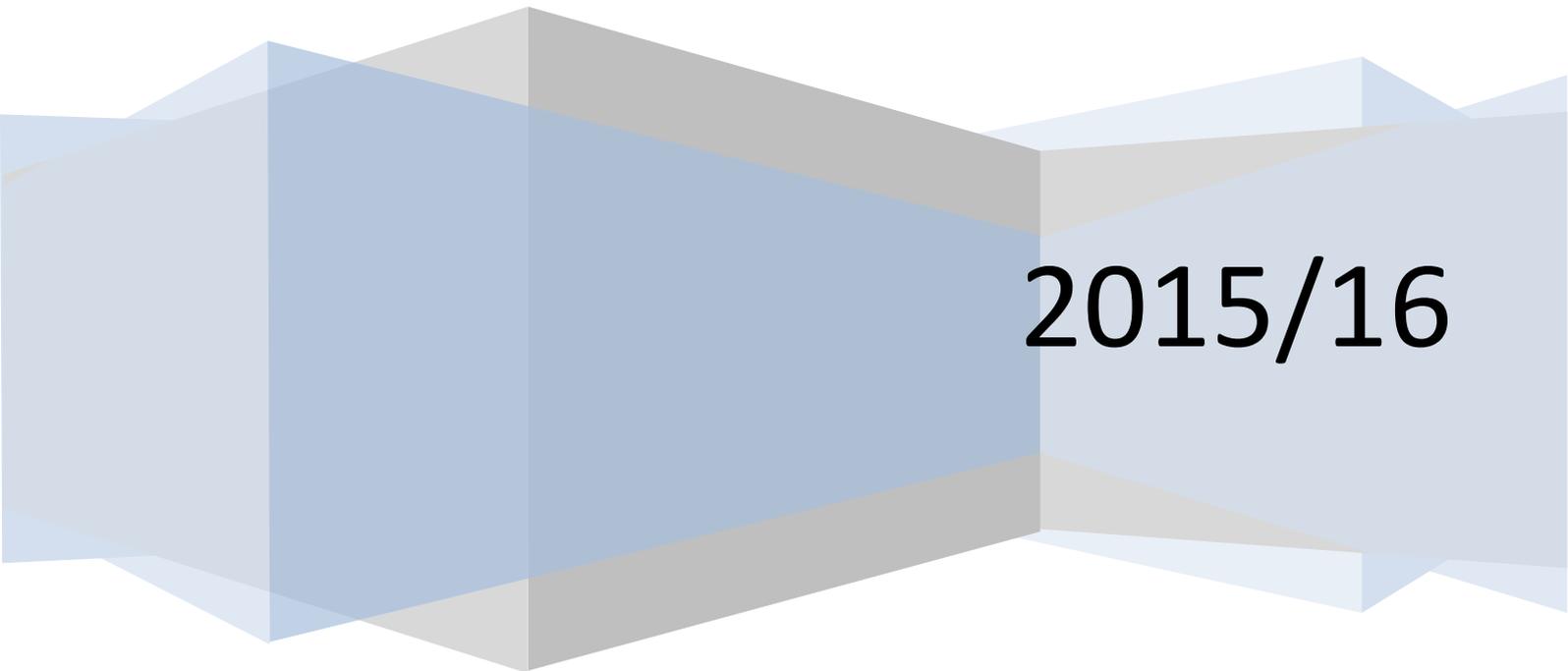


St Teresa of Lisieux Catholic Primary School

Britain in the Global Context Statement



2015/16

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At St Teresa of Lisieux Catholic Primary School we value the diverse ethnic backgrounds of all pupils and families and undertake a variety of events and lessons to celebrate these. We have found this approach to be enriching for all parties as it teaches tolerance and respect for the differences in our community and the wider world.

Underpinning all of this are a range of curriculum subjects which have strong links to the role of Britain in the global context. These themes will enable pupils to understand the role of British values in society including, democracy, the rules of law, individual liberty and respect and tolerance of those with different faiths.

In Year 6, pupils undertake an intense topic about World War One and Two and the impact that the military had in fighting for democracy against oppression and prejudice. This is linked with the annual Poppy Day celebrations where children purchase poppies and a minute's silence is held in specially created assemblies for the school. In July our school took part in a re-enactment of the famous football in No-Man's Land at Christmas 1914 alongside other Norris Green schools and this was recognised with an appearance on Radio Merseyside.

There is a wall frieze of a World map and countries are identified on it. Some examples of children's work on these topics is displayed alongside this. In March each year the International 16 from Manchester University visit the school and all children are given the opportunity to meet with students from a variety of cultures, backgrounds and countries of origin. This is called the Rocket Project and children receive a global "passport" when they meet each participant and learn about their country.

Every year our Learning Mentor who oversees the work of the School Council takes two children to visit the Houses of Parliament and they enjoy a day in London. Our local MP also visits the school regularly and discusses local issues either in class or with a chosen group. The children's work has also been submitted to Local Planning Council meetings when their was debate about development of the school playing fields. Many children have enjoyed the "Giants" coming to Liverpool as part of the Mayoral offer and written and drawn pictures about their experiences.

As a whole school, we have celebrated the World Cup, with World Cup themed sports days and fun events alongside food themes served by the kitchen One of our teacher's is currently a highly successful member of Team GB and regularly competes in Dragon Boat racing, which the school and governors support her taking part in and use ICT to follow her abroad.

One of our school governors received an MBE in the Queen's Honours and he brought the photos and award to show the children and explained the process and celebration he took part in.

The Golden Jubilee was a huge event for the school, with parents and alumni invited to a 'street party' event held in the playgrounds and school hall. Traditional children's party food of jelly and ice-cream, jam sandwiches and cloudy lemonade were served to all.

On a more general level, the school undertakes regular assemblies which uphold traditional values of empathy, respect and tolerance. These are also taught within formal SEAL, PSHE and RE lessons and on an informal nature throughout the school days.

All visitors to our school are met by the values glass feature at the entrance which highlights what our school stands for.

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