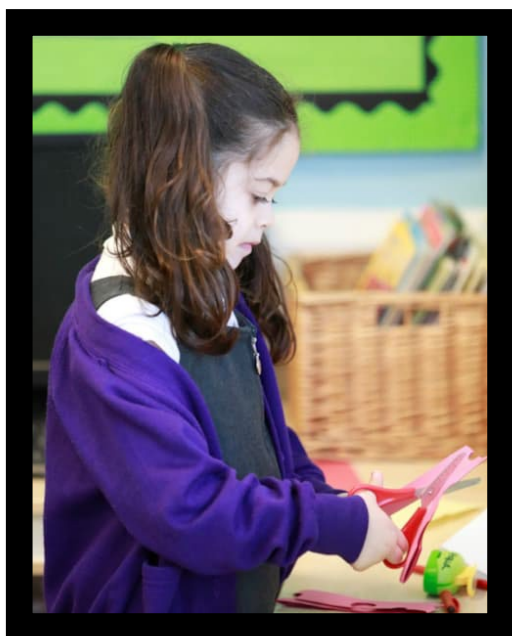

Southway Primary School
Education with Character Charter



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The best in everyone™
Part of United Learning



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1. Southway School Vision

Southway Primary aspires to be an outstanding centre of learning, serving its community and transforming lives. We seek to equip our students for a changing world by building confidence, encouraging creativity, and fostering enquiry to achieve excellence. These qualities will allow our students to flourish as leaders of the future and to take their place as caring, ambitious, and responsible citizens in their communities.

Our pupils are immersed in a balanced and broad range of lessons that are personalised to meet individual's needs and ensure they reach their potential. Vibrant learning environments, both inside and outside the classroom, provide stimulating areas for our children to learn and experience a sense of awe and wonder. High quality planning, teaching, and learning support ensure that every child is offered a high standard of education.

Along with this, we believe that as a school we need to ensure children leave us having met more than just curriculum and academic expectations. At Southway, children will leave with a set of experiences and opportunities that develop their character; morally, spiritually, and emotionally. These experiences will prepare them for the fast paced, evolving world that we live in. We aim to provide the children with an enriched character education at Southway to support in developing their skills and aspirations.

2. United Learning Charter: The Best in Everyone

As part of United Learning, our approach is underpinned by a sense of moral purpose and commitment to doing what is right for children and young people, supporting colleagues to achieve excellence and acting with integrity in all our dealings within and beyond the organisation, in the interests of young people everywhere.

This document aims to set out the enrichment entitlement that each pupil will get access to during their time at Southway.

Each year all pupils will:

- be encouraged to take part in at least one co-curricular club, within or outside of school, attending for the duration of the club (or for a minimum of one term across several clubs).
- go on a school trip.
- perform music or drama to an audience.
- represent their class in individual and team activities.
- share their views on the school through student leadership structures.
- hear from an inspirational speaker or author.

In Key Stage 1, all pupils will:

- have a named role with classroom responsibilities.
- volunteer time to serve the local community.
- go on a school trip to place of local significance.

In Key Stage 2, all pupils will:

- represent the school in a sporting, cultural or academic event.
- learn a musical instrument.
- have the opportunity to spend a night away from home and bond with classmates.
- watch a professional performance, production, sporting, or cultural event live at an inspiring venue or in school.
- deliver a presentation to an audience.
- volunteer time to serve the local community.
- demonstrate leadership outside their class through working with younger pupils, helping with whole-school responsibilities or taking on specific named pupil leadership roles.
- experience a workplace environment and hear from people who work there.
- reflect on their aspirations and personal development goals with an adult in the school.

3. Southway Pledges: Our Charter

We whole-heartedly believe that education with character is a vital part of developing children's whole being here at Southway. Therefore, we have created 'Southway Pledges' which, in addition to the United Learning Charter, will provide further opportunities for our pupils.

This charter has been developed through staff CPD sessions where teachers have been able to add valuable input into what opportunities they would like our children to have. The pledges follow our theme of '7' here at Southway, with seven pledges being made to all children that attend the school.

Amazingly, pledge number one was developed through our 2023 Southway Vote where children had an opportunity to experience democracy and vote for an experience they would like to have each year in their time at Southway.

We pledge to any child attending Southway Primary that they will:

1. Have an outdoor learning day each year.
2. Vote; to understand democracy.
3. Hear from an inspirational speaker each year.
4. Participate in social action for a campaign or volunteer their time.
5. To listen or watch a performance or show.
6. Have artwork published in a school exhibition each year
7. To have learnt a life skill (first aid, Bikeability etc) and be able to apply this inside or outside the school

4. Charter Breakdown: Our Strands

At Southway Primary school we have grouped our pupil charter and Southway pledges into seven key areas to ensure children who attend our school are developing their character through different experiences. We can work alongside The Regis School, Stepping Stones, and the newly opened Phoenix centre, as resources to support deliver this successfully.

Our Strands

