

Paganel School Embraces RE and British Values Week 2021.

During a week in May, our pupils engaged with a range of activities with a particular focus on understanding: Rule of Law, Democracy, Mutual respect, Individual Liberty and Tolerance. Each class embraced the importance of debating, voting and understanding other people's beliefs and religions. From role plays, to creating political parties to the formal hosting of ballot box voting- the school was transformed into the same 'hustle and bustle' you would find on any General Election day. Pupils were also given the opportunity to artistically express their views about their local area and the importance of change through music and D&T. It was a pleasure to witness as Teachers and staff pupils recognising that they have a voice (UNICEF, Article 12) and a platform for this to be shared and heard. Given the difficult year- this week also allowed the pupils to express what advice they would give themselves if they were to find themselves in similar circumstances again. Alongside artwork produced to symbolise belonging in their classes, this advice will be placed in a 'Time-Capsule' underneath the new Peace Garden we are fortunate to be building. The classes of 2021 will forever be remembered as not only the classes who survived COVID-19- but who showed perseverance, respect and tolerance throughout. Well done Paganel school!

