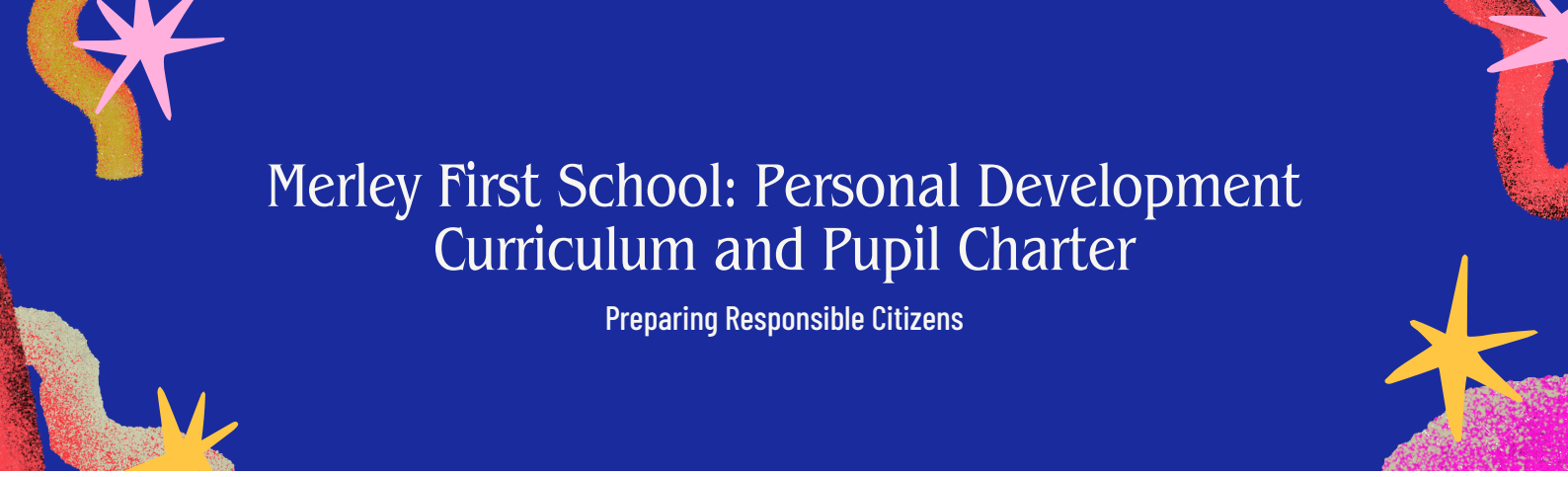




Merley First School: Personal Development Curriculum and Pupil Charter

Preparing Responsible Citizens

Our Commitment to Personal Development

At Merley First School, we are dedicated to fostering well-rounded, responsible citizens. Our Personal Development Curriculum is thoughtfully designed to complement our **Pupil Charter**, ensuring every child thrives.

We aim to equip pupils with the knowledge, skills, and values needed to navigate the world with confidence and empathy. Our approach is built on a foundation of care, respect, and a commitment to lifelong learning.

The Pupil Charter: Our Guiding Principles

Our Pupil Charter is central to our school's ethos, outlining five key areas that guide our pupils' personal growth:

- **Community:** Understanding and contributing to our school and wider communities.
- **Culture:** Celebrating diversity and developing an appreciation for different traditions and perspectives.
- **Curriculum and Extracurricular:** Embracing learning opportunities both inside and outside the classroom.
- **Careers and Choices:** Exploring future possibilities and developing decision-making skills.
- **Courageous Advocacy:** Empowering pupils to speak up for themselves and others, and to make a positive difference.

Environmental Stewardship and Exploration

We believe in nurturing a deep respect for our environment. Through initiatives like **Magical Merley Memories** and our **50 Outside Adventures** program, pupils engage directly with nature. Our **Forest School** sessions further enhance this connection, fostering environmental awareness and a sense of responsibility towards our planet.

Preparing for the Future: Careers and Choices

Our **Careers and Choices** programme is designed to open young minds to a world of possibilities. From early explorations of different jobs to understanding the impact of their choices, we help pupils develop aspirations and the confidence to pursue their goals. This programme encourages critical thinking and informed decision-making from a young age.

We are excited to continue this journey with your children, fostering their growth into capable, compassionate and engaged individuals. Thank you for your continued support.