

Loseley Fields Citizenship Pathway

At Loseley Fields we believe that it is important for children to understand that to be fully participating members of a community it is important to do things for others when there is no tangible reward for doing so. This type of community volunteering encourages strength of character and an awareness that others are not always as fortunate as ourselves. In addition, children also learn:

1. How to work with others
2. Problem solving skills
3. How to make choices responsibly
4. Awareness of local and global issues
5. Compassion and caring for others

We make sure all children are involved in this programme as each half term each child will be expected to undertake at least one home learning task that is of a citizenship nature.

However, we also recognise that some children and families will see the value of this work in their child's all round development and so will want to go further and do more.

As a result each term, each child will be encouraged to collect 'Citizenship Stamps' in their Citizenship Booklet each time they complete a worthy task. Each term, every teacher will nominate one child in their class who has made an exceptional contribution and their parents will be invited into a special whole school assembly where we can celebrate these achievements.

Safeguarding is of paramount concern to us in this project and so parents should ensure that tasks are suitable to the child's age and ability. Parents should ensure that they monitor (and supervise, where necessary) tasks in order to ensure their child's safety.

Examples include:

- **Fundraising events** e.g. Undertake a car boot sale to raise money for a local charity
- **Supporting community events** as a volunteer
- **Community service** e.g. Adopt a local elderly person and help them with chores or spend time reading to them, walk a neighbour's dog
- **Environmental protection** e.g. plant a tree, litter pick, initiate a re-cycling project