

Our vision - Living life in all its fullness - an opportunity to flourish (John 10:10)

Our school's vision is at the heart of everything we do, boosting the quality of our curriculum and informing our school values and understanding of spirituality. It provides an environment which prepares our community for life as confident, happy citizens.

We use the image of a tree - a familiar and cherished part of our woodland setting - to help us live out our values and understanding of Spirituality.

Our Values

- **Thankfulness - Roots** : Just as roots anchor a tree, being thankful keeps us grounded and steady.
- **Courage - Trunk**: Like a strong trunk standing tall, courage gives us the inner strength to face any challenge.
- **Friendship - Branches**: Our branches reach out to others, helping us stay connected as one big school family.
- **Compassion - Leaves**: Like leaves providing gentle shade, our compassion brings kindness and care to everyone.
- **Forgiveness - New Growth**: When a tree lets go of its leaves, it makes room for something new. Forgiveness helps us let go of hurt so we can start fresh.

Our understanding of Spirituality

Spirituality at BGIS is a continuous and reflective journey. We cherish the "wow" moments of awe and wonder that inspire curiosity and invites us all to ask profound questions. To help our youngest learners explore this abstract concept, we use the simple framework of 'In, Up, and Out'.

- **In (The Roots)**: Like roots reaching deep into the earth, we help children look inward. This is about understanding their own feelings, finding peace in quiet moments, and growing self-worth.
- **Up (The Trunk & Branches)**: Like a trunk reaching toward the sky, we look up. This is about wondering at "big" questions, experiencing awe at the beauty of the natural world, and exploring a sense of something greater than ourselves.
- **Out (The Leaves & Fruit)**: Like branches spreading wide, we look out. This is about how we treat others, showing kindness to our friends, and caring for the world around us.

Through these three directions, we nurture the whole child, ensuring they are grounded, reaching high, and connected to others.