

Jubilee Wood Primary school

is proud to be a

Refugee Welcome School

Our school has a strong commitment to:

1. **A Refugee Welcome Plan:** to make sure those seeking sanctuary in our school and wider community experience a warm and generous welcome;
2. **A Refugee Awareness Plan:** to educate all of our pupils, staff and community on the issue of refugees and the importance of providing a welcome
3. **A Refugee Action Plan:** to participate in community campaigns that improve the lives of refugees in the UK.

Signed:



Dated: 18/1/2019

1. Application for Accreditation as a Refugee Welcome School

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| Name of School | Jubilee Wood Primary School |
| Local Authority | Milton Keynes |
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| Estimated Number of Pupils from a Refugee Background | We have no record of <i>official or unofficial</i> refugees although we have 8 families who have arrived in the UK via mainland Europe on EU passports from areas where there is displacement. |
| Have you engaged teachers & support staff in developing this plan? | Yes |
| Do you have pupils: a) resettled under the Vulnerable Persons Relocation Scheme; b) community sponsorship?; c) unaccompanied minors under the Dubs' Amendment? | No |
| Delete words in bold as appropriate: | Our school has experience of welcoming pupils from refugee backgrounds. |

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| <p>Delete words in bold as appropriate:</p> | <p>We have staff with specialist skills or experience in supporting pupils from refugee backgrounds</p> |
| <p>Describe your Refugee Welcome Plan</p> | <p>List here the practical steps your school will take and the systems you will put in place to ensure that refugee pupils and their families receive a warm and generous welcome in the school and the wider community.</p> |
| <p>We have a dedicated EAL teacher who will assess and then work with the refugee children. We have teachers who will support children in class and in groups. We will also work with outside agencies and organisations to support refugee children and their families to access services. We have a number of bi-lingual staff who can translate when required with both parents and children. Children at this school come from multi-ethnic backgrounds and over 40 languages are spoken at home by our children.</p> | |
| <p>We have a class buddy system, so refugee children can be supported by their peers. We have a language of the month programme which encourages children and staff to learn other languages and become knowledgeable about other cultures.</p> | |
| <p>A welcome back for new to country/ new to England children already exists and teachers are very used to working with children with no English. Every year we admit around 25 children to the school who speak no English and new to the country.</p> | |
| <p>Host a diversity celebration event in school to celebrate the ethnically diverse nature of our school, highlighting the differing backgrounds of students and the contribution they have made to school life.</p> | |
| <p>We provide free basic English lessons for parents and carers and this would be a priority for refugee families we work with. The course are around accessing basic needs like shopping, banking, school reports, medical care etc. and they are held in school during normal hours.</p> | |
| <p>Our school website fully translates into other languages using Google. All of our messages sent home are electronic and able to be cut and pasted into Google translate.</p> | |
| <p>The School Council would monitor the impact of the buddy system and also organize events for children outside of school (weekends and holidays) to keep the contact and friendship in place.</p> | |

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| <p>Describe your Refugee Awareness Plan</p> | <p>List here how you will ensure all the staff and pupils at your school are educated about the importance of welcoming refugees, and how you will incorporate learning about refugees into the curriculum and broader life of the school.</p> |
| <p>Raise awareness of the plight of refugees in displays and assemblies. Encourage learners to think about the importance of welcoming refugees into our communities and the hardships they have had to endure. This will be done through curriculum links and school events.</p> | |
| <p>Our Y6 Autumn Term Topic (for example) is about Children during WW2 and the issues around evacuees having to move out of London etc. The discussions extend to modern day refugees displaced because of war. Our children are very able to make the connections and empathise with children who face suffering.</p> | |
| <p>Encourage a group of learners to produce a Refugees Welcome display as part of their PSHE lessons.</p> | |
| <p>Encourage staff to seek opportunities to raise the issue of refugees across the curriculum. This will be easier for some subjects more than others, so opportunities to encourage learners to get involved should be found using the enrichment and pastoral programs.</p> | |
| <p>Refugee Awareness Award and display in the school entrance lobby. Use of school Twitter account to promote refugee awareness.</p> | |
| <p>Website page dedicated to refugee awareness.</p> | |

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| Describe your Refugee Action Plan | List here how the school will engage with the wider community and refugee families to identify social injustices facing refugees in the UK and take action to campaign for change. |
| Host a diversity celebration event in school to celebrate the ethnically diverse nature of the school, highlighting the differing backgrounds of children and staff and the contribution they have made to school life and the community. | |
| Liaise with Citizens MK to seek opportunities for supporting their mission in supporting refugees in Milton Keynes. Encourage learners to engage with their parents and families around issues relating to refugees. | |
| Arrange for children in the student council and staff, to receive workshops on diversity and refugee issues. | |
| Work with Citizens MK and Welcome refugees MK to support refugees with education backgrounds and aspirations to develop their career within an educational establishment. | |
| Host a weekend in school where local Health, Education, Police and Council professionals are invited to run workshops with translators on hand. | |

Resources

The school requires no additional resources to implement the plan as everything is in place and we already have the capacity to organise the weekend workshop for example.