



Public Sector Equality Duty

Meeting our Responsibilities under the Public Sector Equality Duty

Our school takes its responsibilities under the Equality Act 2010 seriously and we have due regard for the protected characteristics across our school. Equality and Diversity concerns and actions are discussed at staff meetings and at RIG meetings, where relevant and as needed. Equality and Diversity training is included in our core induction offer for all new staff.

What does our school do to eliminate discrimination?

We have set a **clear vision and values** which expect all our staff, pupils and families to act in a non-discriminating manner and show respect to each other. Our core values are Aspiration, Community, Respect, Resilience & Joy.

We have **up-to-date and ratified policies** which set out a clear message that discrimination is not tolerated: these policies are listed below.

We understand that it is unlawful to fail to make **reasonable adjustments** to overcome barriers to using services caused by disability. Individual children in our school have student support plans, individual health care plans, education health and care plans, as well as coregulation plans which map how we will make these adjustments. A number of children also have personalised and individual planning which is a reasonable adjustment of their learning provision.

We set **equality objectives** every four years which are reviewed annually. An annual action plan is available to show the progress we are making towards these objectives.

School leaders and administrators involved in **recruitment** will avoid unlawful discrimination in all aspects of employment including recruitment, promotion, opportunities for training, pay and benefits, discipline and selection for redundancy.

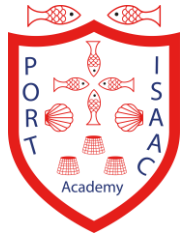
We offer a structured **PSHE curriculum, assemblies, workshops and visits** all of which exemplifies the British Values and our school values. More details of how our curriculum specifically meets these requirements can be found below.



How we meet the Public Sector Equality Duty	
Equality and Diversity Training held in the last two years	All staff, on induction and regularly thereafter, complete the IHASCO online learning unit in Equality and Diversity.
Monitoring and Recording prejudice related incidents	All staff receive induction training in the use of CPOMS, an online secure recording system. Regular refresher training is held as required. When prejudice related incidents occur, staff record these incidents using the CPOMS system. All incidents trigger review by the SLT. Clear actions are recorded for each incident with the SLT requesting further action/information as needed. The LGB reviews the number of incidents at LGB meetings throughout the year.
How does our curriculum promote tolerance, friendship and understanding of a range of religions and cultures?	<p>At Port Isaac Academy we teach all children about Equality and Diversity primarily using the Jigsaw curriculum, although opportunities are woven throughout the curriculum and assemblies where relevant. Jigsaw offers a comprehensive programme for primary PSHE including statutory Relationships and Health Education, in a spiral, progressive and fully planned scheme of work, giving children relevant learning experiences to help them navigate their world and to develop positive relationships with themselves and others.</p> <p>This year we reviewed our approach to teaching writing. When reviewing texts to use as a basis for the curriculum leaders take careful consideration to ensure that there is a wider range of representation both in the authors chosen and in terms of the concepts studied by children. As key texts are updated and reviewed over time, leaders will continue to include authors from different religious and cultural backgrounds, ethnic minority authors, LGBT+ authors and women authors.</p> <p>Throughout our wider curriculum we incorporate a range of different subjects including art, music, R.E, history, geography and science. Equality and Diversity themes are regularly included. In music and art, we ensure that children study music from different countries and cultures, and a diverse selection of artists.</p>



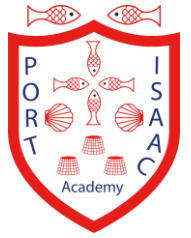
	<p>We teach the full RSE programme through Jigsaw, which includes specific lessons on different families and British Values.</p> <p>Children are taught RE weekly in all classes across the school. We follow the Opening Worlds RE programme of study. Across the key stages, pupils will learn about Judaism, Hinduism, Buddhism, Sikhism and Islam. Through this curriculum pupils build their sense of identity and belonging, which helps them flourish within their communities and as citizens in a diverse society. It teaches pupils to develop respect for others, including people with different faiths and beliefs, and helps to challenge prejudice. Opening Worlds prompt pupils to consider their responsibilities to themselves and to others, and to explore how they might contribute to their communities and to wider society. It encourages empathy, generosity and compassion.</p> <p>We also carefully consider our assembly content to ensure that we maximise opportunities to embed key learning, with carefully planned picture book assemblies and also the 'Picture News' resource to ensure that we cover topical current news.</p>
<p>How do assemblies address these issues and foster good relations between people with different characteristics?</p>	<p>Weekly assemblies address pertinent and current themes such as black history month (October) and various religious festivals throughout the year. Furthermore, significant inspirational people are also celebrated in assemblies such the story of Eluid Kipchoge who ran a marathon in under two hours as well as fundraising events such as Children in Need.</p> <p>We also use the 'Picture News' resource to ensure that we cover topical current news stories.</p> <p>Weekly Friday assemblies share and celebrate children's successes in class over the week. Pupils are celebrated and rewarded with 'star of the week' certificates that reflect our values, representing the school in sporting fixtures and/or community performances.</p>



	<p>Achievements in Reading and times tables rockstars are also celebrated along with English and Maths Star certificates.</p>
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<p>Have there been any specific initiatives in the last 12 months targeting different groups within the school?</p>	<p>As part of our work across CELT on the 'Cradle to Career' project, we have undertaken a listening campaign focusing on our families experiencing disadvantage to establish whether there are any common themes that are barriers to success in school.</p>
<p>How have we consulted with our stakeholders about these issues in the last 12 months?</p>	<p>The school joined Cornwall Education Learning Trust in May 2022, communication with all stakeholders in the school and streamlining communication systems has been extremely important to begin to develop the learning culture at Port Isaac Academy. SEND has been a focus and we have shared the CELT graduated approach with parents and hold regular meetings in order to best meet the needs of our children.</p> <p>We are working with our Trust SENDCo's to review our processes to ensure that we improve the SEND experience for our families taking into consideration key feedback given by our parents.</p>
<p>Actions taken as a result of this consultation:</p>	<p>We hold regular parents meetings to communicate expectations and initiatives that parents can support the school with, from RWI Phonics meetings, to sharing Statutory assessment expectations; from residential meetings to school progress meetings.</p> <p>Once we have reviewed SEND processes as a Trust we will be communicating these to all staff and parents.</p>



Policies and Information Available

The following school-specific information is available on our [school website](#) and shows how we meet our duty towards pupils at our school:

- CELT Child on Child Abuse including Anti-Bullying
- CELT Safeguarding Child Protection Policy
- CELT Primary Behaviour Policy
- [Overviews Statutory](#)
- [Assessment Data](#)
- [Key SEND information and documentation](#)

The following information is available centrally through our [Trust \(Cornwall Education Learning Trust\)](#) and shows how we meet our duty towards all pupils in our trust. They apply to all of our schools.

[Charging and Remittance Policy](#)

[British Values Policy](#)

The following information is available centrally through our [Trust \(Cornwall Education Learning Trust\)](#) and shows how we meet our duty towards employees:

[Code of Conduct for Teaching and Support Staff](#)

[Complaints Policy](#)

[Recruitment Policy](#)

[Whistleblowing Policy](#)

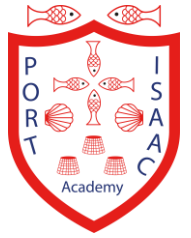


Our Equality Objectives (September 2024- July 2028)

Objective One	To ensure consistently inclusive teaching across the school.
Objective Two	To ensure all staff have an increased confidence in challenging inappropriate comments and beliefs.
Objective Three	To ensure the Port Isaac curriculum reflects a breadth of diversity beyond themed weeks and event days.

Action Planning (2024-2025)

	Planned Actions	Date to be completed by	Review/Monitoring
Objective One	To continue to ensure all new staff joining the school complete the iHasco Equality and Diversity online learning unit.	Ongoing	
Objective Two	Build on previous equality and diversity training with regular updates focused on terminology and modelling of behaviours. Maintain a safe environment where inappropriate language and terminology can be challenged without prejudice	July 2025	



Objective Three	Publish a progressive, inclusive representative curriculum for the children of Port Isaac Academy.	July 2025	
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Review of previous progress towards these objectives

	Action completed (2023-24)	Impact of these Actions
Objective One	To ensure all new staff joining the school complete the iHasco Equality and Diversity online learning unit.	All staff have up to date training and awareness of equality and diversity.
Objective Two	Introduce equality and diversity training with regular updates focused on terminology and modelling of behaviours.	Regular conversations and use of Trust policies to ensure CPD is current.
Objective Three	Create a safe environment where inappropriate language and terminology can be challenged without prejudice	Staff recording incidents on CPOMS, and ensuring we discuss any issues that come to light as a staff, with children and parents.