

The DfE's proposal to promote British values through a school's PSHEE curriculum is in line with the Section 78 of the Education Act (2002).

In the November 2014 document, *Promoting Fundamental British Values as part of SMSC in schools*, the advice stated is as follows:
Schools should promote the fundamental British values of democracy, the rule of law, individual liberty, and mutual respect and tolerance of those with different faiths and beliefs¹. This can help schools to demonstrate how they are meeting the requirements of section 78 of the Education Act 2002, in their provision of SMSC.

To show evidence that schools are making adequate provision, the DfE suggests that schools should do any of the following:

- 1) include in suitable parts of the curriculum, as appropriate for the age of pupils, material on the strengths, advantages and disadvantages of democracy, and how democracy and the law works in Britain, in contrast to other forms of government in other countries;**
- 2) ensure that all pupils within the school have a voice that is listened to, and demonstrate how democracy works by actively promoting democratic processes such as a school council whose members are voted for by the pupils;**
- 3) use opportunities such as general or local elections to hold mock elections to promote fundamental British values and provide pupils with the opportunity to learn how to argue and defend points of view;**
- 4) use teaching resources from a wide variety of sources to help pupils understand a range of faiths, and**
- 5) consider the role of extra-curricular activity, including any run directly by pupils, in promoting fundamental British values.**



Democracy	Rule of law	Tolerance of faiths	Liberty and Mutual Respect
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SMSC/PSHE lessons • Mock elections for the Scottish Independence referendum • Mock elections for the 2015 General Election acknowledging a wide range of parties • School Council • Sanctuary Commitments 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SMSC/PSHE lessons • Citizenship units on the rule of law • School Rules • Assemblies • Safety Plans • Skill Zone visits • Sanctuary Commitments 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SMSC/PSHE lessons • RE Lessons • Visits to places of worship • School Assemblies • Appropriate visual and audio displays of different faiths and cultures • Sanctuary Commitments 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SMSC/PSHE lessons • Black History Month • Assemblies • Welcoming of LGBT students • Bullying log • Citizenship lessons • School Reward Assemblies • Community meetings • Skill Zone visits • Sanctuary Commitments