



## **Chard School**

### **Aims & Ethos Statement**

Date of last review:	April 2019
Date of next review:	April 2020

Chard School is a non-selective, co-educational preparatory school for children from 4 to 11 years.

We aim to provide all our pupils with a broad, balanced curriculum which offers a good range of academic subjects as well as opportunities within the fields of drama, sport and music. Every pupil is encouraged to excel both academically and as an individual in all spheres of activity. High standards are expected, whilst recognising that success will come in different forms for different pupils and will be celebrated at every level.

We welcome and expect there to be a close partnership between home and school through which pupils receive support and encouragement to fulfil their potential. Open and prompt communication between parents and school is a high priority.

We strive to encourage the development of self-discipline and self-esteem, so that pupils leave Chard School as confident and well-presented young people. We also aim to instil the values of care and consideration for others, of courtesy and of the necessity to be able to work either co-operatively as part of a team or as an individual.

The school welcomes families of all faiths, whilst maintaining a Christian ethos which is reflected in our regular assemblies. This ethos is the background against which pupils are taught to respect each other and to accept that other people will have differing views and opinions. Pupils are encouraged to adopt a respectful and caring attitude for the school, its traditions and the outside community.

We welcome and value the contribution of all who care for the development and well being of Chard School – Governors, staff, parents, pupils, Old Cerdics and friends.