



## **AIMS AND VALUES STATEMENT**

*We aim to develop an exceptional school with a culture of high expectations and academic excellence, where all pupils are inspired to become curious, confident, socially attuned, independent thinkers who go on to be happy and successful in 21<sup>st</sup> century society*

The Balcarras Trust is committed to comprehensive education. We believe that all children deserve a first rate education irrespective of their background or starting point. This will be the guiding principle of The High School Leckhampton.

Although schools are highly complex institutions, the principles which underpin them are simple:

- provide an atmosphere which is welcoming and open
- expect that all students will enjoy their education
- appoint well-qualified and imaginative teachers who can inspire as well as guide
- operate school systems which allow the teachers to do their jobs
- have the highest expectations of students and teachers alike
- create an environment where colleagues feel supported but where there is accountability and challenge
- most importantly place the care of every single child at the heart of what you do

We aim to deliver the following outcomes:

- The High School Leckhampton rapidly becomes one of the highest performing in Gloucestershire and nationally in terms of progress, value added, raw attainment, attendance and value for money
- the school is fully subscribed
- surveys show parents demonstrate a high degree of satisfaction with the school
- surveys show students feel safe, enjoy their work, consider they are making progress and are fully engaged in the wider life of the school
- students leave the school ready to move on to the next stage of their life whether in continuing education or employment
- the school has a very high reputation in the local community
- the school is judged “Outstanding” by Ofsted and other external agencies