

The Hanley Way

Developing students' character is a key focus for this year as we look to build our character education through assemblies, tutor time programme and our rewards. Following staff, student and parent voice, the six character virtues of respect, resilience, kindness, curiosity, empathy and service have been chosen – with the aspiration that students will flourish both as individuals and within our community. Each half term, we have a different character focus – with the first being respect where students will be respectful of themselves, of others and of the school and its environment by...

- Taking pride in their work and their appearance
- Taking care of own and others equipment and looking after the school environment
- Using appropriate language and tone with everyone

Character education becomes embedded into our school by teaching what the virtues mean and also through every interaction in school where the virtues are modelled and promoted. Indeed, it has been wonderful to see over 1000 Epraise points awarded for "Respect" in the first two days back.

To reinforce the character virtues, we have introduced the "Golden Ticket". A Golden Ticket is given to one student every lesson who is demonstrating that character virtue. In addition to an Epraise point, students can choose one of a choice of perks – see below.



With our rewards system, we routinely promote effort, achievement and positive attitudes. The Heads of Year will use a range of ways to celebrate students who are regularly demonstrating these qualities through assemblies, tutor time and contact with parents. Examples of rewards include Zero Hero, star of the week, tutor phone calls, ½ termly cakes, Golden Ticket, achievement awards, celebration assemblies, tutor group prize fund, Epraise milestones.