



SEND Department

Welcome

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Welcome to our SEND Department (Special Educational Needs and/or Disabilities). We are very happy that you have chosen to join our school.

Owing to social distancing rules in place, we thought it best to invite you, virtually, into our school, so that we can introduce ourselves to you. Therefore, we are sending you a little booklet with some facts about our department to make it easier for you and your child when you come to us in September.

In SEND / SEMH ARP we have several members of staff and 140 students across all year groups. Our provision is individualised for each student based on needs but might include any or all of the following: social skills, wellbeing, literacy, numeracy booster, science booster, counselling, DT mentoring and anger management skills.

These sessions will take place in our SEND classrooms, which might look a little different in September, should social distancing still apply.



SEND Department Staff



Miss Rowson
SENDCo

Mr Bye
**DT Mentor/
Teacher**

Mrs Connor
**Assistant
SENDCo**

HLTA
Mrs Law

TA
**Steven
Bishop**

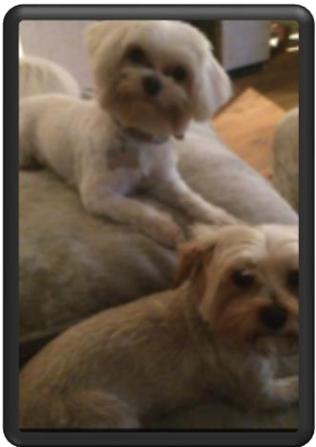
TA
Hafiza Begum

Ms Rowson SENDCo



What I love about Eastbrook is...
'People at Eastbrook are kind, respectful and supportive. Every student that I work with is different, which keeps me engaged and challenged. Being a SENCO is fulfilling and meaningful.'

- Contact details: rowsonn@eastbrookschoool.org
- Favourite colour: purple
- Favourite animals: Dogs, Snakes and Sharks
- Favourite quote: 'Stay positive and good things will happen'.
- My interests: Cooking, Cycling and Running.
- My favourite food is: Chocolate.



Mrs Connor Assistant SENDCo



What I love about Eastbrook is ...
'I love our students! Each student is different. What they all have in common though is resilience. Our students are people who, no matter what challenges they face in life, they always try to overcome them.'

- Contact details:
connorm@eastbrookschoo.org
- Favourite colour: cornflower blue
- Favourite animals: Cats, Dogs and Lions
- Favourite quote: 'Change your thoughts and you change your world'.
- My interests: Watercolour painting, swimming and gardening.
- My favourite food is: raspberries and apples!



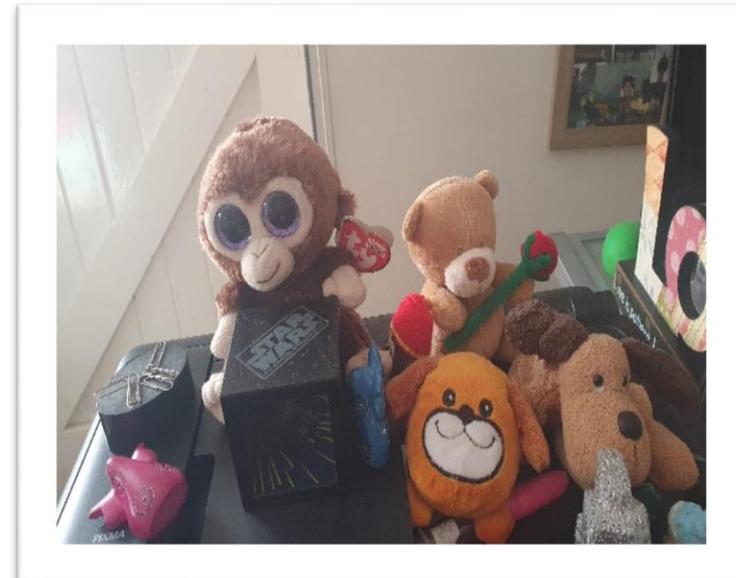
Miss Law Higher Level SEND Teaching Assistant



What I love about Eastbrook is ...
*'... how supportive we are as a team
and how amazing and diverse our
students are and that they are willing
to give all new things a go to succeed!'*

*'I help small groups of students
teaching wellbeing strategies
and I also support students in
lessons. I look forward to
working with you all.'*

- Favourite colour: Yellow as it reminds me of sunshine and being happy.
- Favourite animals: cats but I don't have one at present.
- Favourite quote: *"Happiness is when what you think, what you say and what you do are in harmony"* (Ghandhi).
- My interests: Walking in nature, Yoga, meditation, collecting cuddly toys and Zumba.
- My favourite food is: Shepard's pie and apple crumble and ice-cream



Miss Begum SEND Teaching Assistant



What I love about Eastbrook is ...
'...the students; they are amazing, so friendly, funny and full of life. There is never a dull moment when I am around the students, which makes me enjoy the school environment even more. Working closely with students and seeing them thrive and overcoming barriers, and growing as individuals, is one of the most rewarding aspects about working at Eastbrook. I look forward to meeting and working with you all soon, and am sure you will see for yourselves just how great Eastbrook is when you arrive.'

- Favourite colours: Black and gold.
- Favourite animals: I'm scared of animals but love peacocks and elephants.
- Favourite quote::: 'Let your smile change the world, but don't let the world change your smile.'
- My interests: Baking, calligraphy, drawing and crafts. I am a big thrill seeker. I recently went on the biggest zip wire in London and I loved it
- My favourite foods: I am from Bangladesh, and I love the food from my culture, but I have a very sweet tooth and tend to snack on sweets; especially the sour ones!



Character Education



At Eastbrook we teach more subjects than you were taught at primary school, but we also teach ***Character Education***. We teach our students to be **PROUD**.

When you come in September, we want you to know what **PROUD** stands for and what it means:

P=Principled

R=Resilient

O=Open

U=Understanding

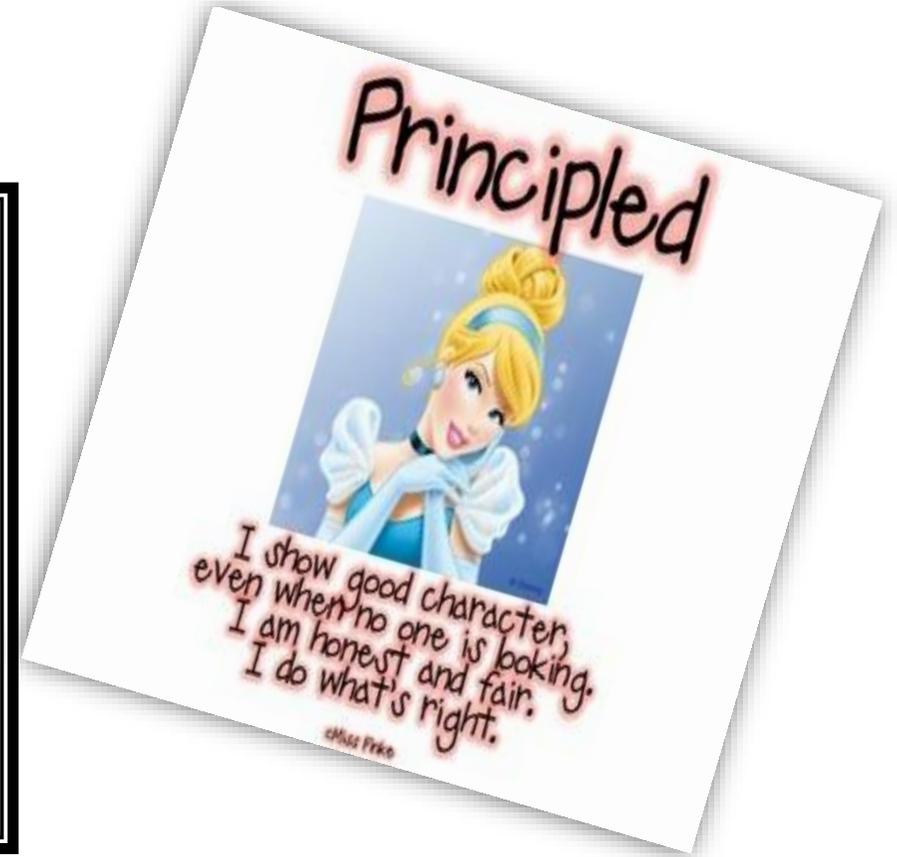
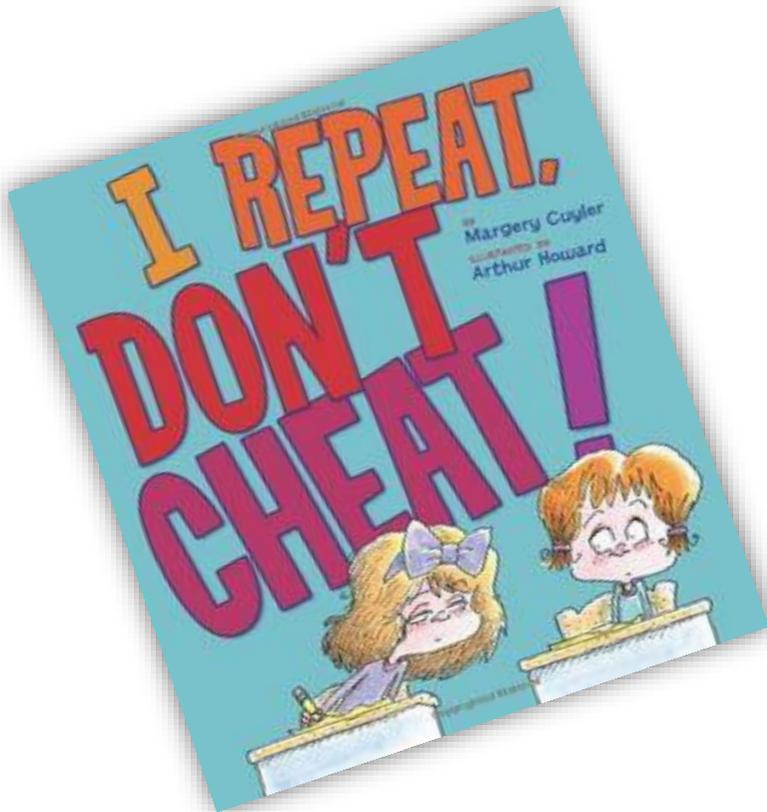
D=Disciplined



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Principled

A **principled person** is someone who "...acts with integrity and honesty, with a strong sense of fairness, justice and respect for individuals, groups and communities. They take responsibility for their own actions and the consequences that accompany them."



Resilient

Resilient means having the ability to cope when things go wrong.

Resilient can also be described as: bouncing back after difficult times; dealing with challenges and still holding your head high; giving things a go or trying your best; being strong inside.



Open

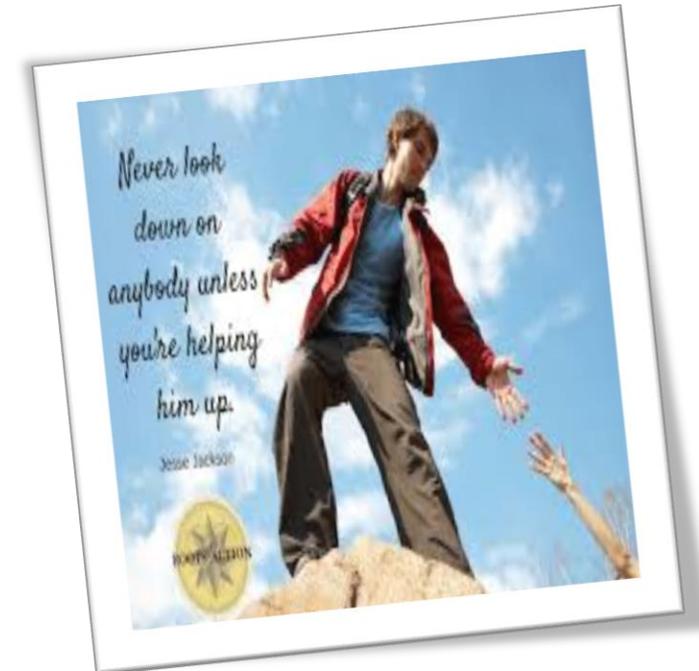
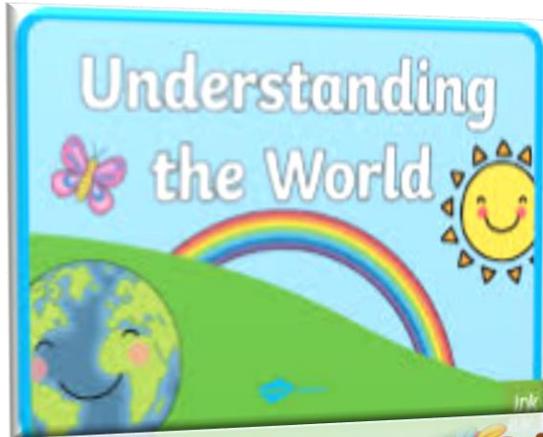
A person who is **open** is ready to hear and accept the ideas of others; they are free in expressing their true feelings and opinions. They say what they are thinking but without hurting others.



Understanding

Being **understanding** helps you to judge a particular situation or subject.

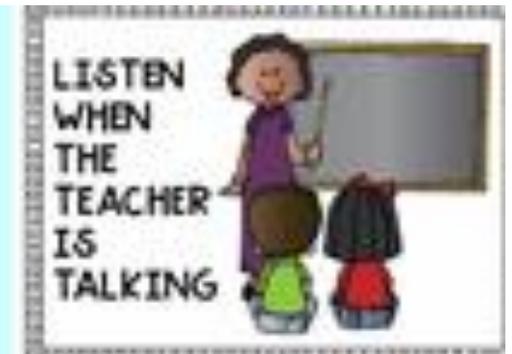
It is a willingness to understand people's behaviour and forgive them.
It is a willingness to show kind or favourable feelings toward others.



Disciplined

Being **disciplined** means you have **discipline**.

Discipline is the amazing quality of being able to behave and work in a controlled way, which involves accepting particular rules or standards, knowing they are there for a good reason. Being **disciplined** is an important life-skill.





We look forward to seeing you in September