## **British Values**

At Tweseldown Infant School children are given opportunities to develop spiritually, morally, socially and culturally. We embrace such opportunities to ensure the children understand and have appreciation of the wide range of cultural influences that have shaped their own heritage and those of others.

Every half term lessons are carried out in the classroom to support the learning of British Values covering the topics of democracy, the rule of law, individual liberty, mutual respect for and tolerance of those with different faiths and beliefs and for those without faith

In February we celebrated different cultures during a Multicultural Day. Excited children travelled the world without leaving their classrooms. The pupils dressed in a variety of costumes and also got the chance to taste a range of dishes from around the world.

Workshops were set up throughout the day for the children to learn some of the languages, art and culture from countries including France, Wales, China, Canada, Bulgaria, Poland, Russia, Holland, Norway, Nepal and Trinidad and Tobago. They also took part in artistic workshops, including belly dancing with Ulrike White and samba drumming.

The children really enjoyed the day and developed a better understanding and appreciation of their own, and other cultures. In March the School Council were delighted to spend their lunch time with North East Hampshire MP, Ranil Jayawardena to support the children's learning of 'Democracy'. They were involved in a question and answer session, to find out how he votes for decisions to be made in parliament and solves problems in the local community.

Later, followed a tour of the school and discussions with Year groups one and two, to ask him a variety of questions including whether he had any pets and what his secret password was!

Ranil was very inspiring and the School Council were certainly excited when he mentioned for them to have the opportunity to visit the Houses of Parliament.

Ranil said: "I thoroughly enjoyed visiting Tweseldown Infant School in Church Crookham last week. It was a pleasure to meet the staff and answer the children's questions. I very much looking forward to seeing them again in Parliament in the near future!"