



NURTURE

Meadow Vale Primary School

WHAT IS NURTURE?



- ▶ Nurture can mean a lot of things but mainly it is about caring for and protecting someone or something, while they are growing.
- ▶ Nurture is about our social and emotional skills, our wellbeing and our behaviour.
- ▶ At Meadow Vale, we believe that those who feel safe at school, try their best, attend everyday and form good relationships with other children and adults, will enjoy their school experience more and feel happier.
- ▶ Adults in school work hard to make sure that your child has welcoming and well-structured environments, as well as opportunities to share feelings, ask questions and develop confidence.
- ▶ Being part of a school community that provides all of these things, will help your child to be more successful as they go through school.

THE 6 PRINCIPLES OF NURTURE:

- ▶ A nurturing school understands that children learn in different ways and at different paces.
- ▶ A nurturing school ensures that your child's classroom is a safe space where they feel comfortable and happy.
- ▶ A nurturing school helps your child to be and feel comfortable, healthy and happy - therefore looking after their 'wellbeing'.
- ▶ A nurturing school understands that language is a key means of communication - we want your child to feel that they can speak out, knowing they will be listened to.
- ▶ A nurturing school understands that all behaviour is a form of communication. At Meadow Vale we use the Zones of Regulation to support this.
- ▶ A nurturing school understands the importance of transitions in your child's life.



THE GRADUATED APPROACH TO NURTURE:

- ▶ Our graduated approach to nurture ensures that every child in our school has the opportunity to flourish in all kinds of ways. This includes recognising their talents, hobbies and interests.
- ▶ At Meadow Vale we aim to identify and explore the support each child needs to reach their full potential.



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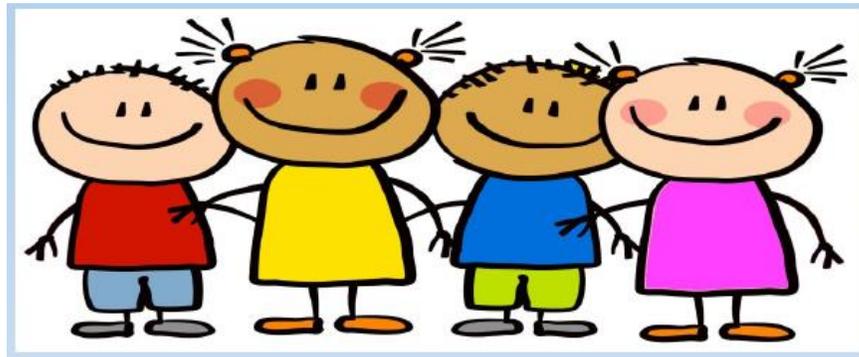
everybody getting
what they need
In order to be

SUCCESSFUL.

At Meadow Vale we
promote this message
across our school
community.

YOUR CHILD'S CLASSROOM ENVIRONMENT:

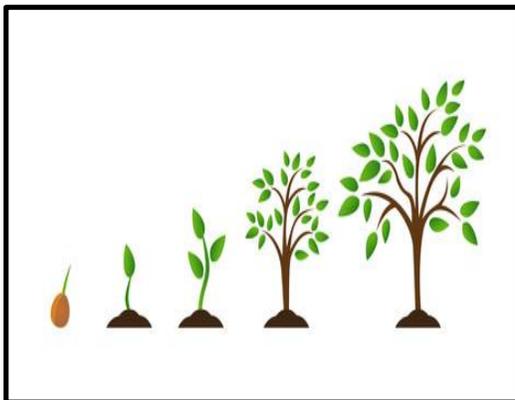
- ▶ We think it is important that all classrooms have certain things in them to help your child to feel comfortable, happy and healthy.
- ▶ Pupils are heard through School Council, check-ins with members of staff for example.



ROOTED IN RELATIONSHIP:

- ▶ Meadow Vale's Play Therapist, Louise Davis, has created a short film to share with our school community entitled 'Rooted in Relationship' which links closely to the '6 Principles of Nurture'.
- ▶ Please follow this link to watch and discuss this with your child.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qoSPBx2amgE>



We are now well on our way to gaining National Nurturing Schools accreditation.

Pupils have received assemblies and tools in classrooms to develop their understanding and practice of the six principles of nurture.

Please do talk to your children about this and share your ideas.