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School of Sanctuary

We are delighted to share with you that Richardson Dees Primary School are applying to become a 'School of Sanctuary'. A school of sanctuary is a school that is committed to being a safe and welcoming place for all of our families, including those seeking sanctuary. These could be families who were made to leave their home countries, who have troubles at home or who just need a place to feel safe.

At Richardson Dees our vision is to raise aspirations and maintain an ambitious culture for all. We ensure that all children are able to achieve educationally and we work in a positive, collaborative way with all stakeholders.

We continue to celebrate diversity, avoid stereotypes and are very proud of all the cultures within our school and community. We care about the whole family, celebrate difference and understand this is key to best meeting the needs, interests and talents of the individual child. We are good citizens in a caring learning community which believes in equity, inclusivity and that we can change the world.

We are a school that is proud to be a place of safety and inclusion for all.

As part of our School of Sanctuary initiative once we have completed our application, we aim to:

- ✓ Promote positive attitudes and raise aspirations maintaining an ambitious culture within our school and its wider community around people seeking sanctuary.
- ✓ Continue to take positive steps to walk tall and be proud of being a place of safety and inclusion for all
- ✓ Find more ways to celebrate being a school that is committed to welcoming and supporting people seeking sanctuary.

To find out more about School of Sanctuary, visit www.schools.cityofsanctuary.org

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