

# **CORE character skills at Tuxford Academy**





# How to earn your badges







### **C**onscientiousness

# Persistence, responsibility and motivation

- An impressive review that demonstrates you have a very strong attitude to learning across your subjects
- Being a member of the 500 club
- Gaining grades in a musical instrument
- Repeatedly representing the school or a club in an individual sporting activity
- -Achieve clear goals through committing yourself regularly to an exercise programme for a month
- Promoting environmental awareness through a campaign over a period of time
- Regularly asking for help outside of lessons to make better progress (e.g. tutoring)
- Notable term on term reduction in sanctions
- Achieving 100% attendance for a year
- An impressive teacher, parent or student nomination

### **Open-mindedness**

#### Creativity, empathy and curiosity

- Completing 12 extra guided learning activities in a year
- Volunteering 6 times or more
- Organising a charity event
- Raising £50 for charity as an individual
- Being a member of the Smile Club for at least a term
- Read or listen to 8 books and write a book review on each
- Being a member of Pride for at least a term
- Attending a club like Book Club or Astronomy Club that demonstrates your curiosity, for at least a term
- Recognition in an art competition
- An impressive teacher, parent or student nomination

## **Engaging with others**

#### Verbal confidence and team working

- An impressive review that shows you participate positively and actively in lessons across your subjects
- Successfully holding a form or school leadership role, including mentoring
- Attending Cadets, Guides, Scouts, St. Johns Ambulance, Lifesavers or a similar out of school club for 6 months or more
- Regularly playing in a sports team for a season, in or out of school
- Complete a Random Act of Kindness for someone you live with every day for 2 weeks
- Regularly attending a Music or Drama club in or outside school or taking part in the Drama Production
- Supporting the running of the Academy by helping out at 3 school events such as open evenings, academic tutorials and transition week
- Presenting an assembly or leading Learning Time regularly
- -Reading to your younger brother or sister almost every day for a month
- Setting up your own club
- An impressive teacher, parent or student nomination

#### Resilience

# Stress resistance, emotional control and optimism

- Attending the mindfulness club for at least a term
- Being a mindfulness coach
- Attending a residential trip and demonstrating independence
- Winning the Resilience Award in literacy
- Completing the Literacy Programme successfully
- Receiving no sanctions in a year
- Using feedback to voluntarily repeat at least3 assessments in your own time
- Being a carer for a family member or friend
- Settling into the Academy well after a late start
- -Overcoming a major challenge
- An impressive teacher, parent or student nomination

#### **Character Award Nomination Sheet**

Please let us know if you think you deserve a character badge or you know of someone else who deserves a character badge by completing the form below.

First please tell us the name, year and form of the person you think deserves an award- this could be you!

Name: Year: Form:

**Reason for nomination for a character badge:** (The reason for nomination needs to relate to activities completed since joining Tuxford Academy, not activities completed at primary school. This part of the sheet can be written by you as a student or an adult)

Example reason for nomination: I think I have earned a character badge because I have gone to Guides almost every week from September to February.

Name of adult who can verify details in nomination:

Role of verifying adult: (parent/scout leader etc)

## Relevant adult signature:

Please put this completed sheet in the Character Awards box at your college reception and you Head of College will be in contact with you within a half-term.