

## **Introduction to The SJET Foundation Creed**

St John's is a Christian School in line with our school motto, "Dominus Pastor", meaning, "The Lord is our Shepherd", which is drawn directly from Psalm 23 in scripture, affirming that Christ is the source of Truth, Wisdom and Safety.

The St John's Trust Schools are governed by the above belief when it comes to the purpose of life and value of each person in an ever-changing world, and we stand firm on the unchanging nature of Christ's word.

The Apostles' Creed, which is a widely accepted ancient Christian text, is the foundation creed for SJET. This provides us with the framework and context through which our operating principles and virtues arise.

## Operating Principles and Virtues

- We believe in the importance of the respect of Christian authority, tradition and discipline.
- We value hard work, unselfish endeavour and personal responsibility.
- We recognise the significance of family as constituted by a father and mother, the value of community and social justice and respect for legitimate authority.
- We believe in the power of prayer, the importance of moral character and the development of our God given talents to become the best that we can be.

In all areas of school life, we strive to be a visible expression of our core values of Empathy, Respect and Integrity. We believe that in upholding Christian values, we will create an environment and an educational experience that provides for the fulfilling, peaceful, healthy, and productive growth of everyone, within a shared community of support, love and respect. We expect all our stakeholders and community members to acknowledge our principles and commit to these values in their relationship and involvement with our schools.

If you want the full document, please contact the school at info@stjohns.co.zw