Becoming a Flourishing School



Showing how the wellbeing of children, teachers and schools supports thriving communities and sustainable economies



A Whole Systems Framework

The Flourish Model is a new ecological wellbeing framework that is based upon the common developmental needs that we all share as human beings

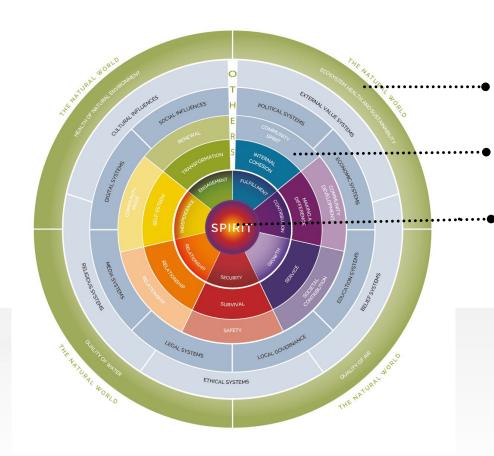
It shows that the lives of children and families are embedded within larger cultural, political and environmental systems

And that their values and wellbeing are profoundly influenced by that of others and the planet as a whole



The Ecological Self

One unified relational field



THE WIDER COSMOS/DEEP TIME

The patterns and influences of the wider universe.

THE NATURAL WORLD

Relating to the other living systems on the planet

OTHERS

Connecting to family, community, society

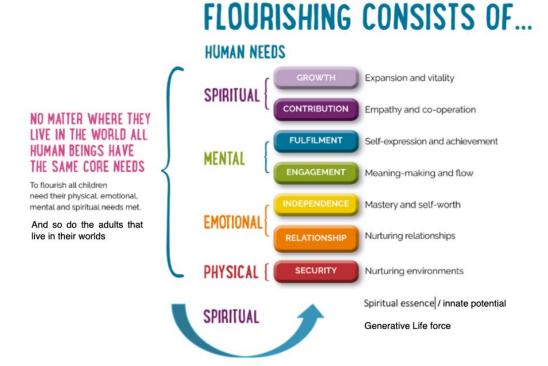
SELF

Optimising potential

Wellbeing as Relationship

From the relationship with our own personalities, to how we are influenced by the wellbeing of other human beings and all species on the planet and beyond, our lives are intimately ones of connection and interrelationship.

It is based upon the needs we all share as one humanity



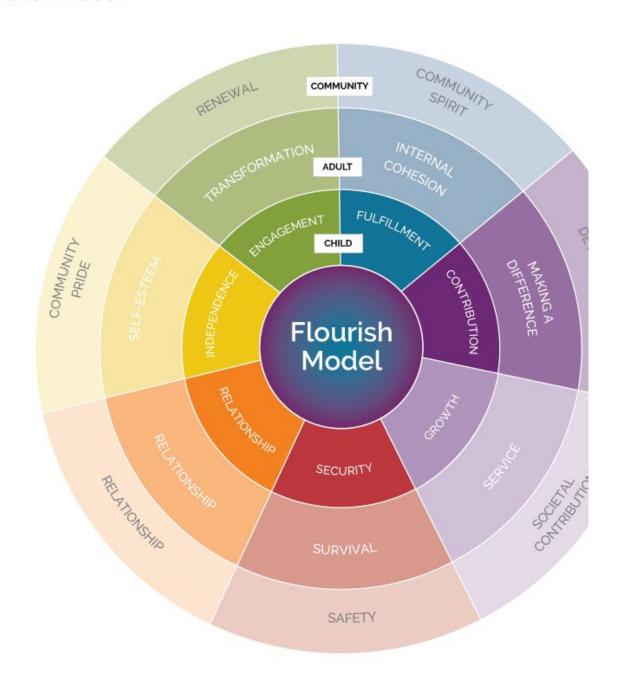
Putting the child at the heart

Underpinned by the Science of Early Human Development, it puts the wellbeing of children firmly at the centre of the system

It shows the huge importance optimising potential in the earliest years of life

and acknowledges the physical, emotional, mental and spiritual aspects necessary to promote healthy human development

Flourish Model



Sustainable Development Goals

It provides an ecological underpinning to the UN's 17 Sustainable Development Goals

and explores how they relate to the lives of children and the wellbeing of future generations



Values and Mindsets

It explores the conditions that nurture the development of the foundational structures, values and mindsets necessary to maximize later states of wellbeing

and helps to identify and tighten up the gaps between students' real needs and the resources that are available to support them



It helps ensure that we measure what matters

The ecological nature of the framework helps schools to better identify and monitor more meaningful outcomes

It provides ways to more easily identify gaps and measure progress over time

and ensures a human rights and wellbeing perspective is built-in to assessment and evaluation techniques "The time is ripe for our measurement system to shift emphasis from measuring economic production to measuring people's well-being."

The Stiglitz Report



It promotes empathy and understanding

The framework helps students to understand that every person has a unique background and context

and that although individual differences exist in the ways that we understand and view the world

we all share a common humanity



The three forms of compassion

Compassion for Self

Understanding why we are the way we are and the value of self kindness Recognising suffering within ourselves and others Responding to difficult and conflicting feelings and emotions

Compassion for the other

Understanding that other people see the world differently from ourselves Understanding that values, beliefs and behaviours are a reflection of genes, cultures and lived experiences Recognising the universality of human suffering

Compassion for the natural world and the planet

Understanding that everything is interconnected and that we share responsibility for creating a world fit for children Being motivated to act to prevent damage, alleviate suffering and protect future generations

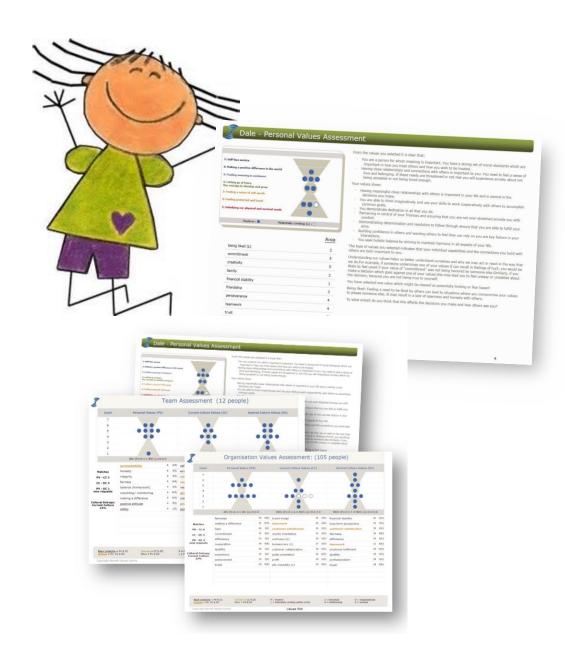


Measuring Values

The framework comes with a set of proven cultural diagnostics and values assessment instruments that have been developed by one of its core partners.

As part of the process everyone involved will be given the tools to explore their own needs and values

and will be invited to explore whether their current values and mindsets are fully supporting their wellbeing



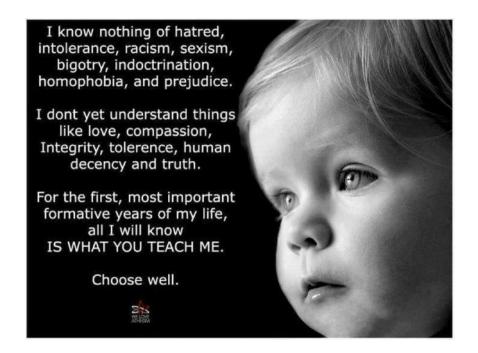
Starting conversations

The framework helps everyone to have a think about where their own values and beliefs come from – and how these might be different to the values and beliefs of others

It shows how external influences impact how we feel about ourselves and the decisions that we then make

and suggest ways that we can all help to create the conditions for a more caring, compassion and sustainable world





Learning about sustainable community

Through easy-to-understand online courses and resources, the project helps everyone to understand what underpins happy, healthy and sustainable communities.

the huge importance of positive relationships and role models

and the fact that, no matter what our external circumstances, we can always chose who we want to be







Building a Flourishing World

By exploring the triple nature of wellbeing (Self, Others and the Natural World) and the importance of right relationship, the project helps students to gain a deeper understanding of natural systems and personal success

It shows that everyone has a part to play

and that we can all become creators and guardians of the future.







Project Partners

Our core partners are innovative and proven experts in their fields who are working with us to help create a 'Whole School Solution'



Thoughtbox Programme FP Partner

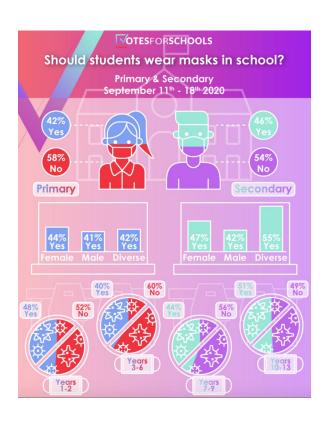




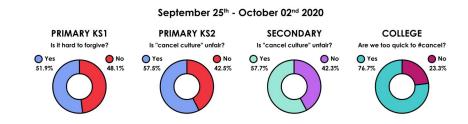


FP Votes for Schools Programme FP Partner

VotesforSchools is an award-winning platform giving students a voice on the issues that affect them the most.



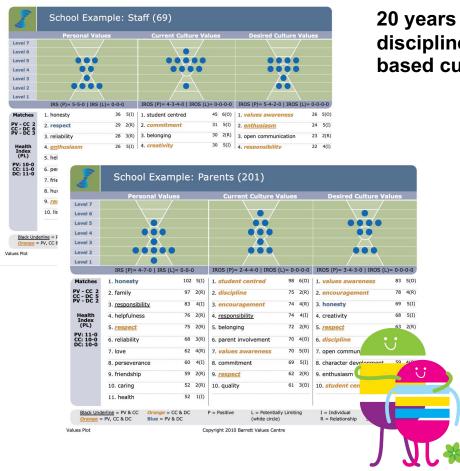




How your results compare...



Barrett Values Centre FP Partner



20 years experience supporting leaders across all disciplines to build and sustain flourishing, values-based cultures.

DIAGRAMS

In one simple picture, see an overview of your school's culture. Find out what is important to the staff, pupils, and parents, how they experience the culture now, and how they would like to enhance it for tomorrow.

CULTURAL ENTROPY® SCORE

Learn what factors prevent or hinder school staff from doing their jobs. What prevents students from experiencing the best from their school?

VALUES JUMPS

Learn which values are most important to bring to life in the school culture.

ADDITIONAL PERSPECTIVES

Gain additional perspectives on your school from visual graphs. Choose to look at departments, positions, or other groupings such as gender or age to deepen your understanding of the issues in your school.

WRITTEN REPORTS

A customized analysis reveals insights, challenges your thinking, and shines light on the way forward.



PSHE Requirements

The framework helps students to:

Understand that wellbeing includes the physical, mental, emotional and spiritual elements that make us human

Understand that, depending on our circumstances and stages of life, we may prioritise some aspects over others, but that they are all important

Understand that our values, beliefs and behaviours are shaped by both nature (genes) and nurture (early childhood experiences)

Understand that the adults in their worlds have also had their values, beliefs and behaviours shaped by both nature and nurture

Understand that hurtful and damaging behaviour normally stems from people who have had unhappy, troubled and lonely experiences of their own

Understand that we all have the freedom to choose who we want to be



SMSC Requirements

The Framework helps improve understanding about:

the nature of values, belief and behaviours

the human need for belonging and meaning

the nature of compassion

the influence of religious beliefs / worldviews

understanding and respecting the beliefs and worldviews of others

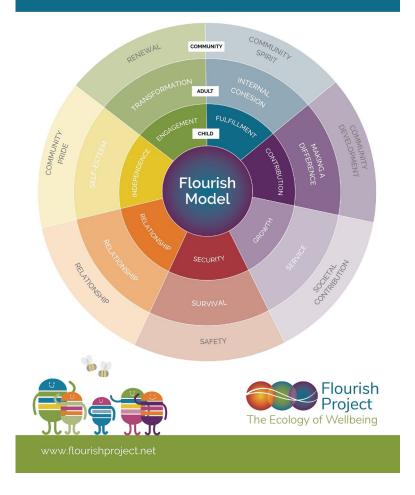
the need to have space and time to reflect on our own beliefs and worldview and how this may be impacting others

understanding that we live on a finite planet and the importance of sustainable environments

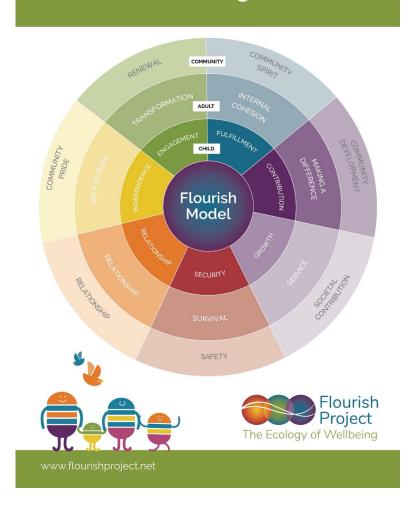
understanding that we are all guardians of the future



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A Unique Collaboration



www.flourishproject.net



www.thoughtboxeducation.com



www.votesforschools.com



www.valuescentre.com

Bringing together the work of organizations that are committed to positive cultural transformation and the creation of a more caring and compassionate world.

The Flourish Project is a UK based Community Interest Company. Its profits are used to create publications, tools and resources that support parents, teachers and communities in the call for more meaningful lives and a flourishing planet.

First steps

Establishment of a Project Team
Engaged Senior Leadership
Development of a Flourishing School Strategy

Followed by:

Core Team Training
Personal Values Assessments
Whole School Values Dialogue
Thoughtbox Lesson Plans
VotesforSchools Engagement Resources
Wellbeing Measures and Indicators





Want to know more?

We love talking to people who share our passion for the creation of a better world.

Get in touch!

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Creating compassionate communities where the human spirit can flourish

"We will never be able to create truly flourishing societies until we address the problem of young children inheriting the limiting values and beliefs of those that have gone before."

Wendy Ellyatt Flourish Project, 2018