

## Vision Statement

*“Living and learning together within a Culture of Gentleness”*  
requires each of us to be mindful that:

### The central purpose of our presence in the lives of others is to:

- Nurture
- Teach
- Sustain

### The experience of:

- Connectedness
- Companionship (what it is like to be and have a friend)
- Community

### Through the principles that make every one of us feel:

- Safe
- Loved unconditionally
- Loving towards others
- Engaged meaningfully in life

### We express these principles using:

- Words that are kind, uplifting, encouraging and loving
- Eyes that are warm and smiling
- Touch that is gentle and respectful
- Presence that is attentive and responsive to the person

### And by reflecting upon our relationships in the context of how we have planned:

- The environment
- The organisation of life
- How information is understood and acted on
- The dialogue (listening, interpreting and adjusting)

### The Culture of Gentleness can be supported by:

- Keeping our young people at the centre of everything we do
- Working harmoniously together so we can realise the goal of giving each young person a real life
- Fostering a sense of community within Bradstow