# St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School, Millfield Prospectus 2024



# Welcome

Welcome to St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School. This prospectus sets out some general information about our school which we hope will be useful to those choosing a school and to parents/carers whose children already attend the school.

Our school motto is: St Joseph's is a happy, welcoming community, enriched by our diversity. A place where we love Jesus, love one another, love learning and love life

We are a friendly and caring Catholic primary school and if you would like to find out more or arrange a visit please don't hesitate to contact us.



Mrs M Graham Executive Headteacher Mrs A Toward Head of School

# **Our Aims**

We aim to provide a warm, safe, happy, responsible and wellordered community in which the children can learn and be valued as individuals. We will seek to achieve this by:

- Promoting and treasuring Christ's values and the values of the Gospels through daily living and teaching.
- Providing an inclusive environment for all members of our school community, thus enabling equal opportunities to be practiced and fostered by all, regardless of age, gender, race, culture, faith, disability and social background.
- Ensuring that our curriculum is broad, balanced, relevant and suitably challenging and differentiated, to meet the learning needs of our children.
- Providing the best possible learning experiences both in and out of the classroom, thus ensuring our children have a social responsibility that encompasses both local and global responsibility in becoming true citizens.
- Creating an ethos where the efforts and achievements of children and staff are valued, celebrated and communicated through an atmosphere of praise, reward and fun.
- Fostering a genuine partnership between home, school, and parish, which is productive in supporting the interests of the child, and in enabling them to fulfil their educational and social potential.
- In this way we seek to work with parents to fulfil each child's intellectual, spiritual, moral, cultural and social development.

### **Our Curriculum**

We aim to provide all our children with a broad and balanced curriculum which develops the potential of all children. Teachers plan the delivery of the curriculum using a balance of approaches which include: whole class, group and individual teaching as and when appropriate.

**Early Years Foundation Stage Curriculum -** enables our children to learn and develop skills, attitudes and understanding in the following areas of learning:

- Personal, Emotional and Social Development
- Communication and Language
- Physical development
- Mathematics
- Literacy
- Understanding the World
- Expressive Art and Design

Key Stage 1 & 2 - study the following areas of the curriculum:

- Mathematics
- Literacy
- Science
- Religious Education
- Information and Design Technology
- History
- Geography
- Art
- Music
- Physical Education
- Personal and Social Education
- Modern Foreign Language



# **Our Uniform**



#### School uniform:

- Purple sweatshirts or purple cardigans
- Grey skirt and trousers
- White polo shirts (EYFS)
- White shirts (Years 1 6)
- School tie (Years 1 6)
- Black shoes/plimsolls (Whole school)

#### **PE Kit:**

- White PE tops
- Black shorts
- PE bag
- Plimsolls

Uniform can be ordered from Little Gems or online at www.theschooloutfit.co.uk/collections/st-josephs-r-c-primary-school-sunderland

Please ensure that all articles of clothing are clearly marked your child's name.

## **Our School Day**

**Nursery session times:** 15 hours provision Monday – Friday (8.50 am - 11.50 am) or Monday – Friday (12.20 pm – 3.20 pm)

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#### **Reception:**

School day starts at 8.45am - 9.00am School day finishes at 3.20pm

All children will receive free school meals as part of the Universal Infant Free School Meals funding.

Key Stage 1 & 2: School day starts at 8.45am - 9.00am School day finishes at 3.20 pm



# Safeguarding

Parents/Carers should be aware that the school will take any reasonable action to ensure the safety of its pupils. In cases where the school has reason to be concerned that a pupil may be subject to ill treatment, neglect or other forms of abuse, staff have no alternative but to follow SSCB (Sunderland Safeguarding Children Board procedures) and inform Children's Services Social Care of their concern. The Designated Person in school with responsibility for safeguarding.

### **Pastoral Care**

Each class teacher is responsible for most of the teaching their class receives. Class teachers also look after a wide range of the children's other needs, including acting as the main link with parents. Each teacher normally stays with their class for one year and sometimes two if a teacher moves class.

# **Extra Curricular Activities**

A variety of clubs and activities take place at lunchtime or after school. These may change according to the level of interest and support. Some examples currently on offer include Multi-Sports, Gymnastics, Choir, Violin, Drums, Guitar, Football and Yoga.





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