BISHOP CHALLONER CATHOLIC COLLEGE



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On behalf of all our community at Bishop Challoner Catholic College, I'd like to extend a warm and heartfelt welcome. We hope you have a most enjoyable evening.

In placing Christ at the centre, our school ensures that our Gospel Values are implicit in daily school life and in the way in which we reach out to serve the wider community. It is intrinsic within our mission to present to all pupils, both Catholic and non-Catholic, the Church's vision of life through both words and, crucially, actions.

Our school is one of the highest performing non selective schools in the country; it has outstanding examination results and is proud of the success of our young people who, at the end of their studies here, move on with excellent results, many to the top universities in the country.

More than that though, Bishop Challoner is a vibrant, dynamic learning environment, committed to the development of the whole child. We offer a broad, rich and balanced curriculum to nurture the academic, spiritual, moral and emotional growth of our students.

We have a wide range of extra-curricular programmes across not only sports, performing and expressive arts but, through enrichment in each and every subject area.

Our school is dedicated to the fulfilment of its Catholic Mission Statement and is staffed by teachers who passionately believe in the vocation of teaching .We prepare young people to serve as witnesses to our moral and spiritual values in the wider world. To this end we are partners to our families and church in faith formation.

Dr J Coughlan PRINCIPAL

MISSION STATEMENT

"In our Community of Faith in Bishop Challoner Catholic School we give glory to God by developing our full potential and in our service to others in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit".

Spiritual life

The distinctive nature of our Catholic school underpins all we do. In learning about the world , we believe we are learning about God's world.

We know that we are unique and created in God's image and we seek to recognise God in each person.

Masses, Liturgies, Devotional prayers and Adoration form part of our spiritual life at Bishop Challoner.

We fulfil our potential by giving glory to God and serving others through various charitable acts and fundraising. We pray together each morning, in Assemblies and Form Time and there are a number of day and residential retreats offered for each year group.

We are a community where students are invited to be part of the Archdiocese annual pilgrimage to Lourdes. These key spiritual events along with daily prayer life, all interwoven throughout the year to create our strong, caring Catholic community.

At Bishop Challoner we want our school to be more than just places where students are equipped with learning and skills for the workplace and responsible citizenship. Rather, they are to be the communities where the spiritual, cultural and personal worlds within which we live are harmonised to form the roots from which grow our values, motivation, aspirations and the moral imperatives that inform our choices and actions as persons.

Celebrating our Gifts and Talents

Life at Bishop Challoner Catholic College goes well beyond the classroom. There are opportunities on offer to students who wish to take part in activities both before school and after school.



Sports teams run at all age levels in a wide variety of sporting activities including football, cricket, netball, basketball, judo, gymnastics and athletics. Many of these clubs have a great reputation for success and in more recent years have become extremely popular and well attended by pupils from all year groups.

Most recently Bishop Challoner has chosen to showcase the great talents of their students in 'Bishop's Got Talent' in which students perform at break time for their peers, inspiring others to pursue their hobbies.

Bishop Challoner has a well-deserved reputation for its high quality Performing Arts.

There is an abundance of opportunities for students to take part in tournaments and sport competitions both within the UK and abroad in which time they would receive regular coaching to develop their individual skills.

In addition to this there are numerous non-competitive residentials on offer to students that once again develop their individual talents alongside aiming to build upon their life skills.

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We are committed to using the best methods to promote the most effective learning.

Bishop Challoner Catholic College has a nationally recognised reputation as a dynamic and innovative school for teaching and learning with excellent student outcomes and public examination success.

Every classroom has an interactive white board to enable our highly qualified and committed teachers to create the most stimulating learning environment possible.

Each student has an electronic netbook complete with engaging, educational software and access to the best that the internet has to offer.

A well resourced, attractive library and open learning centre enhances the state of the art study facilities at the school.



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A happy and high performing Sixth Form

We have a large, happy and flourishing Sixth Form with an excellent reputation for success. Students consistently achieve impressive results which open doors to future success.

> Students in our Sixth Form enjoy excellent working relationships with their teachers and Sixth Form Team. Our Student Services Department ensures that each student receives personalised guidance; be that invitations to master classes tailored to their needs and interests, mock interviews, individual support with university, apprenticeship and job applications.

Students in our Sixth Form continue to live out our Mission Statement "giving glory to God by fulfilling their potential and in service to others". There are numerous opportunities to get involved in volunteering; Sixth Form students serve as subject mentors in several departments, volunteer with charity shops and care homes and run a fortnightly Seniors' Tea Party, to name just some of their involvement in the wider community.

Our Sixth Form students have a rich and varied curriculum. We offer an extensive range of AS/A Level courses and some vocational qualifications, which build on students' talents and strength and foster in-depth learning and lead to excellent rates of progression to top universities and to other high quality Post 18 opportunities.'

In 2019 over 30% of our students' university destinations were to Russell Group universities.

Recognising and Rewarding achievement

As our mission statement suggests, we give glory to God through our service to others and fulfilling our potential, such actions are commended at Challoner.

We are extremely proud of our students and their achievements. Recognition is given on a day-to-day basis with rewards and praise for excellent work and attitude. The Key Stage 3 and 4 "Commit to Character" reward scheme encourages students to develop character virtues as well as rewarding their academic achievements. Assemblies, postcards home, reward trips and our annual rewards evening ensure achievement is publicly recognised and celebrated. School Council evaluates the success and development of the reward scheme at three different points in the year to ensure it best represents how our young people would like their achievements recognised.

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We put into practice our Gospel values to provide excellent pastoral care.

Form Tutors, Personal Tutors, Heads of Year and a dedicated Student Services team all ensure that students receive the highest quality care, guidance and support.





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