



Welcome to
Holy Family
Catholic Primary School

Prospectus
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A very warm welcome to

**Holy Family
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I am privileged to be the Headteacher at this welcoming and caring school, where everyone is encouraged to 'See Christ in ourselves and others' on a journey of learning, loving and laughing together.

At Holy Family we very much see our school as a family. Among children and adults there is a real sense of belonging. We are a happy school, proud of all our children and they in turn, are proud to be part of our school family. We promote Gospel values and virtues within school; every person is valued, nurtured and respected as an individual, made in the image of Christ. The promotion of these Gospel values also reinforces the British Values, equipping our pupils to be caring citizens.

We have the highest expectations of ourselves and of what our children can achieve. As a school, we strive to inspire, enthuse and motivate all children to develop a lifelong love of learning and believe that every child can succeed. I would like our pupils to leave our school as confident, resilient learners who are fully equipped with all the skills necessary for 21st Century life, and with memories that they and their families will treasure.

Everyone is welcome at our wonderful school. Please contact the school office or visit our website to arrange a visit.

Mrs Jane Weatherall
Headteacher



Why choose our school?



At Holy Family, we believe in providing the best possible start for every child. Our brand-new EYFS room is light, bright, and designed to create an inviting space where young learners can thrive.

We strive for all children to succeed, and our close-knit school community ensures that every student receives the individual attention they deserve. Our dedicated staff work tirelessly to deliver an excellent curriculum that prepares pupils for the future, fostering both academic achievement and personal growth.

With a strong focus on creating a nurturing and supportive environment, we help children build the confidence and skills they need to excel. Join us and experience a school where each child is valued, supported, and inspired to reach their full potential.

Watch our new school
video by scanning or
clicking the QR code.





“Pupils respond positively to the high expectations set across school life. In lessons, pupils are enthusiastic and attentive learners”



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Our school day

Holy Family School Day:

Gates open at 8:40am with registration starting at 9am.

Morning break: 10:30am.

Lunchtime: 12pm – 1pm.

School finishes: 3:30pm.

Holy Family Nursery:

Morning session: 8:45am – 11:45am.

Lunchtime: 11:45am – 12:15pm.

Afternoon session: 12:15pm – 3:15pm.



Wraparound care

Breakfast Club:

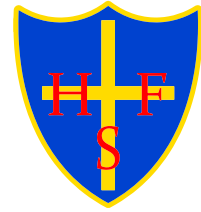
Our Sunrise Breakfast Club is available each morning during term time, from 7:45 am to 8:45am. The cost is currently £5.00 per child per day, which includes breakfast.

Afterschool Child Care:

The Sunset After School Club is available after school during term time, from 3:30pm to 5:30pm. Each day attendance is split into two sessions. The first session is from 3:30pm to 4:30pm and the second session runs from 4:30pm to 5:30pm. The cost for each session is £5.00 per child per day, which includes a snack.



Our school uniform



The school uniform can be purchased from either our school uniform supplier, Elizabeth's Embroidery, or in any supermarket.

Our school uniform is:

- Dark grey trousers, grey skirt or pinafore dress.
- Royal blue sweatshirt.
- Pale blue polo shirt.
- Grey/black socks or grey/black tights.
- Black shoes.
- Grey school shorts or blue gingham dress (Summer only).

Our PE uniform is:

- White t-shirt.
- Black shorts.
- Trainers.

To order our school uniform please scan or click the QR code.



Our curriculum

Our curriculum is designed to promote an enjoyment of learning, is 'knowledge rich', recognises children's prior learning, provides first hand learning experiences, allows the children to develop interpersonal skills, builds resilience and empowers them to become creative, critical thinkers.

Every child is recognised as a unique individual, made in the image of God. We celebrate and welcome differences within our school community, with a vision to respect and care for all, to make positive friendships and prepare them for life beyond primary school. We believe that it is important for all our children to learn about and be proud of Darlington and its heritage. Our pupils get involved in local festivals and activities, to foster a pride for their local area and be positive citizens within it. We want our children to also be aware of the wider world beyond Darlington, and the lives of others throughout the world.

We believe that childhood should be a happy, investigative and enquiring time in our lives, where there are no limits to curiosity and there is a thirst for new experiences and knowledge. Children leave Holy Family with a strong sense of belonging to a tightly knit and happy community where they have the confidence and skills to make good decisions, self-evaluate, make connections and become lifelong learners.





**“Pupils thrive at this very
ambitious school”**

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**“Personal development
is exceptional. Pupils
flourish as individuals.”**

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Special educational needs and disabilities

As an inclusive school, all teachers are teachers of pupils with special educational needs & disabilities (SEND). We deliver a curriculum and create an environment that meets the needs of every pupil within our school. We ensure that every pupil with SEND makes the best progress possible. We foster and promote effective working partnerships with parents, carers, pupils, and outside agencies. We consider the 'whole' child and strive to ensure that all our SEND pupils are prepared for adulthood.

Key Contacts

Rowena Coleman - SENDCo



To find out more please
scan or click the QR code





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Our Trust

Bishop Hogarth Catholic Education Trust
is a family of 35 schools across
County Durham, Darlington, Hartlepool, and
Stockton-On-Tees.

Our mission is to provide the highest quality education,
fostering a collaborative environment where resources
and best practices are shared among our schools.

We are committed to the educational welfare of our
pupils. This is why we place Christ at the centre and
children at the heart.



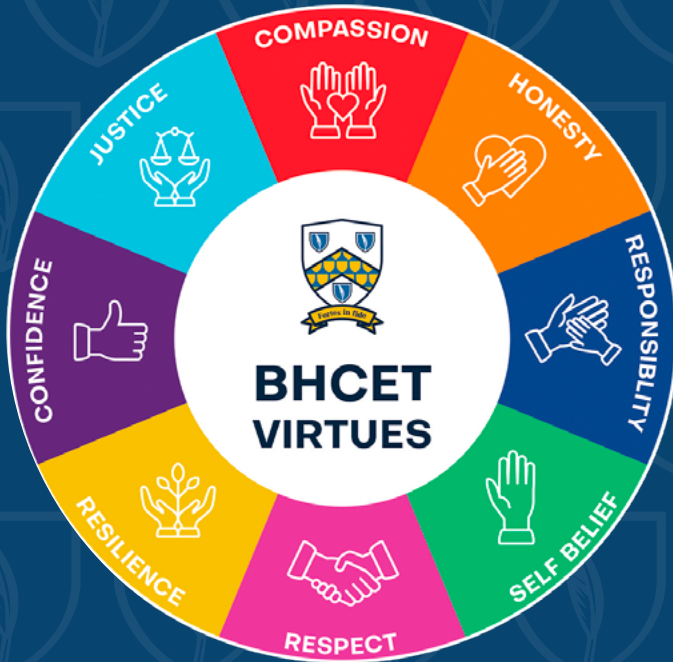
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OUR VIDEO**



**JUSTICE
& COMPASSION**

We value fairness and empathy, treating others with kindness and understanding.

**HONESTY
& RESPONSIBILITY**

We prioritise truthfulness and accountability, taking ownership of our actions and decisions.

**CONFIDENCE
& RESILIENCE**

We foster courage and adaptability, empowering individuals to face challenges and overcome setbacks.

**RESPECT
& SELF BELIEF**

We embrace diversity and individuality, fostering an environment where everyone feels valued and confident.



“New families are welcomed and settle into the school community quickly.”

Ofsted



Apply for a place at Holy Family



Starting primary school is a very important time for you and your child, and at Holy Family we aim to make this a happy experience for everyone. Children can start school in our reception class in the September of the academic year in which they will be five years old.

To gain a place at Holy Family, you will need to apply through Darlington Borough Council's website. Please click the link for more information or scan the QR code. Alternatively, you can contact the school office.
<https://holyfamily.bhcet.org.uk/information/admissions>



If your child is not already attending our school Nursery, they will be invited to spend some informal sessions with their new teacher and other children from the class in the summer term in order to familiarise themselves with the school environment. An information evening for our new Reception class parents is also held in the summer term.

For mid-year admissions, at other times of the year or for year groups other than Reception, please go through Darlington Borough Council ([click here](#) or scan the QR code). We highly recommend contacting the school in the first instance for a visit.



Nursery Admissions

At Holy Family, we offer a wonderful nursery setting for two-year-olds. The nursery is open from September, operating from 9:30am to 3:30pm, with wraparound care available from 7:45am until 5:30pm at an additional cost (term time only). Places can be funded through a mix of government-funded hours and private payments. Please visit our website for more information.

Seeing Christ in ourselves and others



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