



A very warm welcome to

St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School



It is my pleasure to welcome you to St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School where we are respectful, responsible, compassionate and safe individuals. At St. Joseph's, we strive to create a happy, inclusive environment where every child is valued, loved and encouraged to reach their fullest potential. As a beacon of Christ's light in Coundon and the Bishop Hogarth Catholic Education Trust, our school is built on a foundation of faith, respect, and compassion, creating a nurturing environment where children can flourish.

We believe that each child is a cherished creation of God, with a unique place and purpose in the world. We encourage our children to aspire to be the best they can be, recognising their potential to make a difference within our community and beyond. Through fostering resilience, confidence, and a commitment to justice, we prepare our children to embrace the opportunities before them and to grow as responsible, compassionate leaders.

Our dedicated staff and supportive community work together to ensure that St. Joseph's is a place where every child feels a strong sense of belonging, self-belief, and purpose. I am deeply proud of the inspiring environment we offer, where children are empowered to recognise their gifts, take opportunities they are given, and shine as compassionate, confident individuals.

Thank you for taking the time to visit our website which is a work in progress as we update it regularly. Please take time to revisit our site and see what changes we have made.

Whether you are a current member of our school community or considering joining us, we look forward to welcoming you in person and sharing more about our wonderful school.

Mrs Gibson-Crone Headteacher

Why choose our school?

At St. Joseph's, we offer a warm, inclusive, and values-driven education rooted in our Catholic ethos. We aim to inspire and motivate every child to become confident, independent, and considerate individuals, equipped with the skills and knowledge to thrive in the wider world.

We pride ourselves on providing a nurturing environment where barriers to learning are actively removed and no child is left behind. Our dedicated staff deliver a rich and engaging curriculum tailored to meet the needs of all learners, while promoting kindness, respect, and a deep sense of community.

Children benefit from highquality teaching and specialist support, including partnerships with external professionals to meet individual needs. Our curriculum celebrates local heritage and prepares pupils to be responsible global citizens. Enrichment opportunities such as educational visits, afterschool clubs, community projects, and international links help broaden horizons and bring learning to life.

Join a school where every child is known, valued, encouraged to reach their full potential.



Our school day

Our doors open at 8:40am and re-open for the end of the school day at 3:15pm.

- · Breakfast Club: 8:00am
- · Start of Day: 8:55 am
- · Morning Break:10:30 am
- · Lunch Time: 12.00pm
- · Back to Class: 1:00pm
- Afternoon Break for KS1: 2:15pm
- · Home Time: 3:15pm



Wraparound care

Breakfast Club:

From 7:45 AM till 8:30 AM each day. £2.50 per session; Pupil Premium children pay £1.25 Book via the My Child At School (MCAS) app.

Afterschool Child Care:

Monday to Friday, 3:15 pm - 5:15pm Cost per hour is £2 or half price to pupil premium children

Dur school uniform



The school uniform can be purchased from either our school uniform supplier, Cre8tive Design, or in any supermarket.

Reception to Year 5 uniform:

- · Grey trousers/ Skirts/ Pinafore
- Navy jumper or cardigan (with school logo)
- · White polo shirt (plain or with school logo) ·
- Black shoes or all black trainers
- Blue checked dress in the Summer
- · Grey socks or tights
- · P.E Kit White T- Shirt and Navy Shorts

Year 6 uniform:

- Grey trousers/ Skirts/ Pinafore
- Navy knitted jumper or cardigan (with school logo)
- · White shirt
- · Tie
- Black shoes or all black trainers
- Grey socks or tights

To order our school uniform please scan the QR code.





Dur curriculum

At our Catholic school, we aim to ensure all children are happy, engaged, and challenged to achieve their full potential across a broad and ambitious curriculum. Rooted in the values of Catholic education, we pursue excellence and prepare pupils to be responsible global citizens.

Our curriculum is coherently planned and sequenced to build knowledge and skills for future learning and employment. It is inclusive of all learners, including those who are disadvantaged or have SEND, and offers equal academic, technical, and vocational opportunities.

Children are taught by high-expectation teachers who deliver relevant, engaging lessons that promote independence, collaboration, and personal growth. As they progress, pupils develop strong learning habits, organisational skills, and a nurturing attitude toward others.

We celebrate our local heritage and provide enrichment through educational visits, clubs, residentials, theatre trips, international links, and community engagement—helping children understand the world from local, national, and global

The school ensures that pupils benefit from a wide range of activities to develop their interests and build character."

Special educational needs and disabilities

At St. Joseph's, we are committed to creating an inclusive environment where every child is supported to reach their full potential. Guided by our Catholic ethos, we work to remove barriers to learning and ensure no child is left behind.

We continually review our practices and curriculum to meet the needs of all learners, including those with special educational needs (SEN). Our experienced staff work alongside external professionals to provide tailored support for children and their families.

Key Contact

Mrs Gibson-Crone - Headteacher & SENCO

To find out more please scan the QR code



"Pupils are happy and well cared for in this school. Pupils know where to get help if they need it."

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Dar 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.

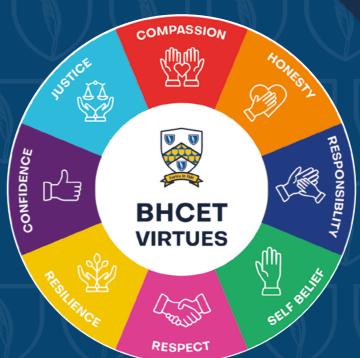
We are committed to the educational welfare of our pupils. This is why we place Christ at the centre and children at the heart.





Scan the QR code to view our school locations map





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.

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Apply for a place at St. Joseph's



Starting primary school is a very important time for you and your child and at St. Joseph's, 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 St. Joseph's Coundon, you will need to apply through Durham County Council's website. Please follow the link for more information or scan the QR code. Alternatively, you can contact the school office. https://stjosephscoundon.bhcet.org.uk/information/admissions



For mid-year admissions, at other times of the year or for year groups other than Reception, please go through Durham County Council's website - https://www.durham.gov.uk/article/2197/Apply-to-changeschool-during-the-school-year. We highly recommend contacting the school in the first instance for a visit.

Nursery Admissions

At St. Joseph's, we offer a wonderful nursery setting for two to four year olds. For further infomation on our nursery, plese view our website page - https://stjosephscoundon.bhcet.org.uk/nursery/#tab-12973.

You are God's children - shine like stars



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