

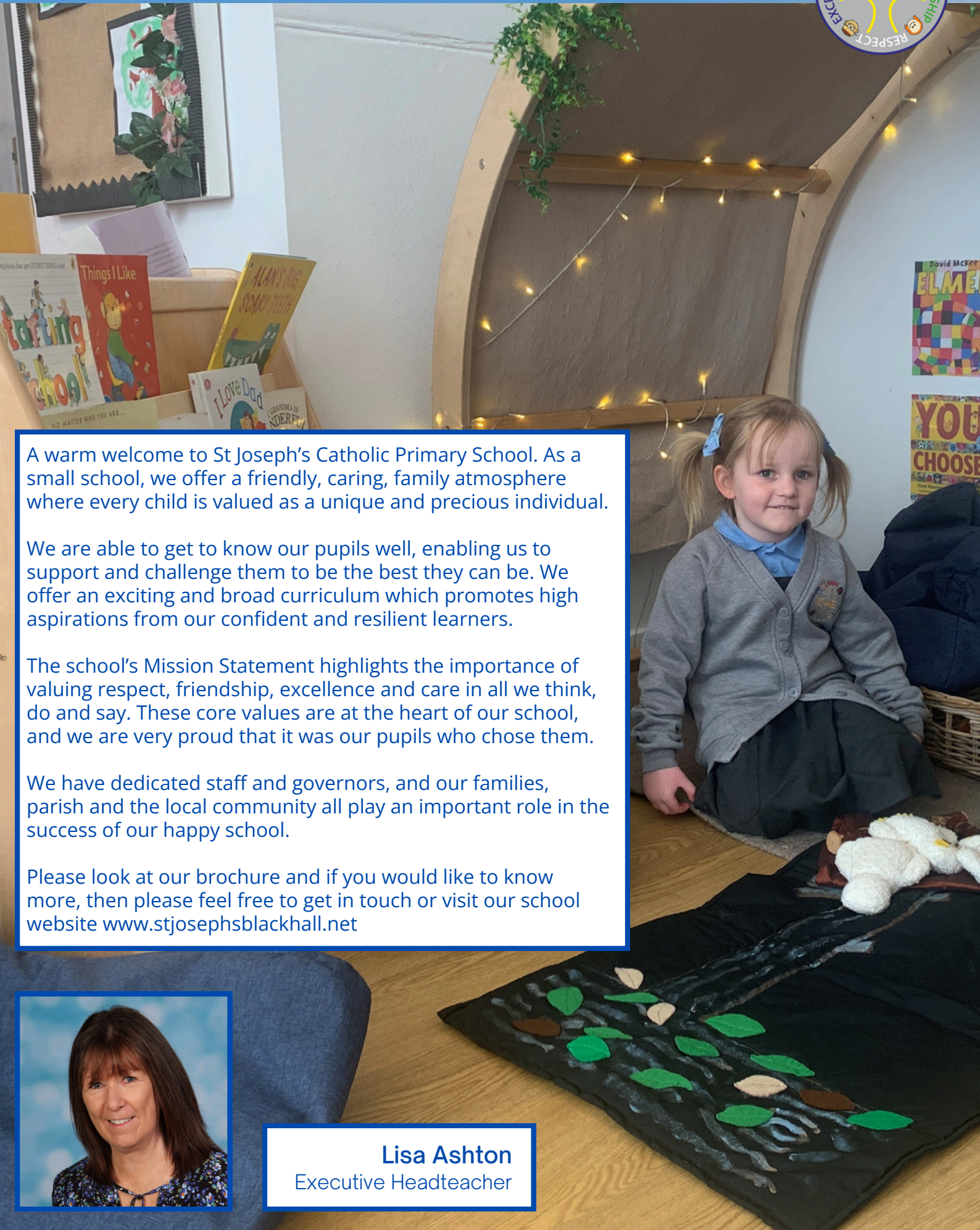


St Joseph's Catholic Primary School Prospectus 2025/26



Bishop Chadwick
Catholic Education Trust

Welcome



A warm welcome to St Joseph's Catholic Primary School. As a small school, we offer a friendly, caring, family atmosphere where every child is valued as a unique and precious individual.

We are able to get to know our pupils well, enabling us to support and challenge them to be the best they can be. We offer an exciting and broad curriculum which promotes high aspirations from our confident and resilient learners.

The school's Mission Statement highlights the importance of valuing respect, friendship, excellence and care in all we think, do and say. These core values are at the heart of our school, and we are very proud that it was our pupils who chose them.

We have dedicated staff and governors, and our families, parish and the local community all play an important role in the success of our happy school.

Please look at our brochure and if you would like to know more, then please feel free to get in touch or visit our school website www.stjosephsblackhall.net



Lisa Ashton
Executive Headteacher

Our Nursery



All children qualify for 15 hours per week for the term after they turn 3 years old. We offer 15 and 30 hour places. If you would like to visit our nursery, you are most welcome, please contact the school office to book a visit.



School starts at 8.55am and ends at 3.15pm. The doors open each morning at 8.45am.

Breakfast club runs from 7.30 am and costs £2 per day. Breakfast is served 7.30am - 8.20am. Teatime club runs from 3.15 pm - 5.15 pm and costs £ 2.50 for the first hour and then £5.00 for the second hour. Snacks and activities included.

Places should be booked by contacting the school office. Payment is via Parent Pay.

Our Uniform

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- Pale blue polo shirt
- Grey trousers or skirt
- Grey shorts
- Blue gingham dress
- Grey sweatshirt/cardigan

P.E. Kit

- Black shorts
- White t-shirt
- Pilmsolls
- Tracksuit/Trainers (outdoor use)

Preloved uniform is available please contact the school office.

Our Curriculum



We provide a curriculum, which is broad and balanced, recognising that every pupil is unique. Our curriculum is designed to enable all children to achieve, reach their potential and let their lights shine. Teaching and learning at St. Joseph's has many creative elements and we aim to make learning relevant to the children and their local area.

We follow the R.E. programme 'Come and See', supplemented by a variety of materials that help children grow in faith, understanding and relationship with God. Prayers are said each day, class Celebration of the Word every week and there is a regular programme of class masses.

The curriculum presently comprises the following subjects – R.E., RHE, English, Maths, Science, Computing, History, Geography, Art, Design Technology, P.E., Music, MFL and PSHE. The Reception class follow the Foundation Stage Curriculum.

We recognise, not only the importance of helping our pupils to flourish academically but also spiritually, morally, socially and culturally, so they are fully prepared for life in British society and for their role as citizens. We incorporate democratic principles, value the rule of law, support individual liberty and foster a community in which different faiths and beliefs are respected.

Parents are invited into school throughout the year to learn about the curriculum and how they can help and support their child's learning. In the Autumn Term Parents are invited to a Curriculum Awareness Evening where they are given an overview of their child's learning.



Safeguarding



We are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children. We believe that we all have the right to be happy, to be safe and to learn.

All children, whatever their age, culture, disability, gender, language, racial origin, religious beliefs and/or sexual identity have the right to be protected from harm. Therefore, any suspicions and allegations of abuse will be taken seriously and responded to swiftly and appropriately.

We adhere to Keeping Children Safe in Education, statutory guidance from the Department for Education. We are all responsible for ensuring that each child remains safe and we have designated Safeguarding Officers in School.



Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND)

We differentiate activities to help those children who experience learning difficulties. We work closely with outside agencies and our designated Educational Psychologist if further support is requested.

We work with the guidelines and regulations of the Code of Practice (New SEND reforms) for Special Educational Needs in all cases.

At our school we value that fact that all of our children are unique and different with a range of different strengths and talents. We recognise that some children need additional support to be able to access the curriculum. We differentiate activities to help those children who experience learning difficulties, whilst working closely, where necessary, with outside agencies such as:

- **School nurse**
- **Speech and Language Service**
- **Occupational Therapy**
- **ASD (Autism Spectrum Disorder) Team**
- **Educational Psychology**

We pride ourselves on working together closely with families and children to work quickly and get the best plan possible in place should your child need additional support.

If your child, at some point throughout the school journey, needs this additional support please don't worry, sometimes this is just intervention or support for a short time and can be tailored to your child's individual needs. Our SENCO (Special Educational Needs Co- Ordinator) is there to provide support.





CHADWICK'S KITCHEN

Our award winning in-house catering team Chadwick's Kitchen, provide catering services across the Trust.

We use fresh ingredients to prepare healthy and nutritionally balanced meals each day. The majority of our menus are homemade by our chefs in our kitchens.

Staff are trained to accommodate medical diets and work in partnership with parents to ensure these needs are met. As part of the Trust's commitment to sustainability, we regularly review food miles and continue to work to reduce food waste.

Parents/Carers can pay for school meals using ParentPay.

Pupils entitled to free meals are allowed to purchase food to the value of a free school meal allowance daily.

Pupils also have the option to bring a packed lunch (nuts or nut-based products aren't permitted). Find out more:
www.bccet.org.uk/chadwicks-kitchen/



Our Trust



We are proud to be part of Bishop Chadwick Catholic Education Trust.

We are a catholic multi-academy Trust and currently have thirty schools, five secondary schools (four with sixth forms), and twenty five primary schools (16 have nursery provision).

The Trust covers the east part of the Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle, we have schools in East Durham, South Tyneside and Sunderland.

Our family of schools work closely together so that can pupils can flourish. As part of the Trust effective transition is supported by our close relationships, and pupils benefit from a shared, progressive curriculum and common expectations.

Find out more: www.bccet.org.uk



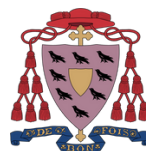
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in our Trust

11,495 pupils in our
family of schools

1,338 staff in our
Trust



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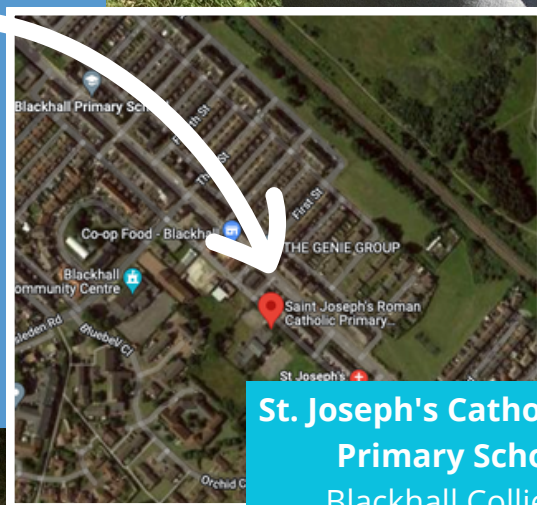


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