



Welcome to
St. Mary's
Catholic Primary School

Prospectus
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A very warm welcome to **St. Mary's Catholic Primary School**

St. Mary's is a school where children are at the heart of everything we do. The whole staff team are fully committed to providing our children with the very best education. We pride ourselves on our excellent relationships with all members of our school community and we believe that pupils achieve their very best when school and home work together in partnership.

Children at St. Mary's are nurtured and encouraged to be the very best they can be. As a Catholic school our fundamental mission, 'Called by God', is to promote the Gospel values and virtues within a school community where every person is respected as an individual, made in the image of Christ. We encourage children at St. Mary's to live out the Gospel values and this can be seen every day in their work and play; they show respect and care for each other through their words and actions.

High expectations of behaviour are lived out through our school by following the school rules 'Be ready, be responsible, be respectful'.

All are welcome in our wonderful school. Please contact the school office so that we can arrange for you to come and look around.

Mrs Emily Millward
Headteacher

Why choose our school?



At St. Mary's, we pride ourselves on delivering a high-quality education through an extensive and enriching curriculum that caters to the diverse needs and interests of every student. Our commitment to excellence extends beyond academics; we offer strong pastoral support within the school, ensuring that every child feels valued, supported, and empowered to thrive.

We understand that every child is unique, and we celebrate and nurture their individuality. Through our inclusive approach, we foster a supportive environment where students are encouraged to embrace their differences and excel in their own way.

Additionally, we instill in our students the importance of making a positive impact in the community, encouraging them to contribute and give back. Join our school and be part of a community dedicated to empowering every child to reach their full potential and make a difference in the world.



'Personal development and welfare are central to the school's ethos and are managed well across the school'



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Our school day

School gates open 8:40am
and registration finishes at 8:55am.

Early Years and KS1 finish school
at 3:10pm and KS2 is 3:15pm.



Wraparound care

Breakfast Club:

Start the day right! Our Breakfast Club runs from 7:45am every morning – make sure to book in advance.

After School Child Care:

From exciting clubs open to all year groups to after-school care available until 5:45pm, there's always something for children to enjoy and get involved in after school finishes!



Our school uniform



The school uniform can be purchased from either our school uniform supplier, School Trends, or in any supermarket

School uniform is symbolic of a community to which we all belong, and our children are encouraged to feel pride to wear it.

Our uniform:

- Royal blue school sweatshirt.
- Grey trousers / skirt / shorts.
- White polo / shirt / blouse.
- Black shoes.
- Gingham blue dress (Summer term only).

PE uniform:

- Plain white T-shirt.
- Plain black shorts.
- Plain tracksuit.
- Black plimsolls.
- Outdoor trainers.

To order our school uniform please scan the QR code.



Our curriculum



St. Mary's Catholic Primary School is a community where all are provided with the opportunity to achieve their full potential. We are committed to providing a purposeful, progressive, and inclusive curriculum with Christ at the centre and children at the heart. We value our pupils and celebrate diversity of experience, need, interest and achievement.

Our curriculum celebrates our local heritage and nurtures pupil's understanding of the communities in which they live. It fully prepares pupils for the next steps in their learning journey and opens the doors to the wider world as life-long learners.



To find out more about our curriculum please scan or click the QR code



"The school provides a good education for all pupils"
Ofsted





**“Parents and
pupils agree
that behaviour
is good”**
Ofsted

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 Contact
Mrs Victoria Stewart
SENDCo

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please scan
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.

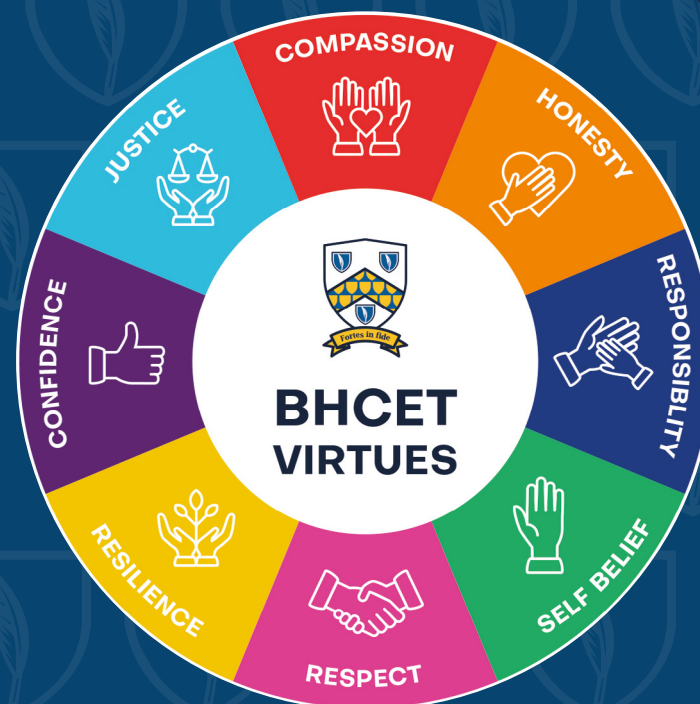
Our mission is to provide the highest quality education,
fostering a collaborative environment where resources
and best practices are shared among our schools.

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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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.



**WATCH
OUR VIDEO**



Apply for a place at St. Mary's



Starting primary school is a very important time for you and your child, and at St. Mary'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. Mary's, you will need to apply through Durham County Council's website. Please click the link below for more information or scan the QR code. Alternatively, you can contact the school office. stmarysna.bhccet.org.uk/key-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 Durham County Council (<https://www.durham.gov.uk/article/2197/Apply-to-change-school-during-the-school-year>). We highly recommend contacting the school in the first instance for a visit.

Called By God



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