



*Welcome to*  
**St. Teresa's**  
Catholic Primary School

**Prospectus**  
2024/25



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## *A very warm welcome to* **St. Teresa's Catholic Primary School**

St. Teresa's is a very successful school; progress measures place us consistently in the top 20% of schools and our children's achievements are something that we are proud of. We are a school family that is committed to ensuring that all our children achieve the very best.

Our parents tell us that they are, "proud to have a school with loving, caring and dedicated staff who cherish our children and make such a difference to each one of them." Our children will tell you that, "Everyone here loves us all!"

As Headteacher of this school, I am exceptionally proud of each member of our school family. Everything that we do at St. Teresa's is based on love. Our children are very loved, and we do our utmost to ensure that they have the very best start to their educational journey. I am proud to be Headteacher of a school that is full of love, laughter and learning.

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

*Paula Strachan*  
**Executive Headteacher**



# Why choose our School?



At our school, we are deeply committed to ensuring that all our children succeed and grow into positive citizens. We are a successful school known for our high-quality staff who are dedicated to nurturing each pupil's potential.

Our children are genuinely happy here, and we believe that promoting 'doing the little things well' makes a significant difference in their development.

We strive to create an environment where small acts of kindness, responsibility, and excellence are celebrated daily.

Beyond academics, we offer a wide range of fun and enriching opportunities that allow our pupils to thrive.

Whether it's through extracurricular activities, special events, or creative projects, our school provides a well-rounded experience that fosters growth and enthusiasm.

Join us, and be part of a community that values success, happiness, and the joy of learning.



"This a welcoming school where everyone lives by the school's virtues which include 'compassion' and 'respect'."



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# Our school day

School doors open at 8:45am. Children enter via the main gate onto the playground.

	Morning	Afternoon
<b>Nursery</b>	8:45am - 11:45am	12:30pm - 3:30pm
<b>Reception</b>	8:55am - 12:00pm	1:00pm - 3:15pm
<b>Key Stage 1</b>	8:55am - 12:00pm	1:00pm - 3:15pm
<b>Key Stage 2</b>	8:55am - 12:00pm	1:00pm - 3:15pm



# Wraparound care

Breakfast Club starts at 8:00am and is £3. After School Club runs until 5:00pm. £4 for 1 hour or £6 for 1 hour & 45mins. It is then an additional £1 per 15 mins for late pickup.

To find out more about our wraparound care, please scan or click the QR code.



# Our school uniform



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

## Our Uniform:

- Grey trousers / skirt.
- White polo shirt.
- Red jumper / cardigan.
- Grey socks / tights.
- Black school shoes / black trainers.

## P.E. Uniform:

- Black joggers / shorts.
- White t-shirt.
- School jumper.
- Black trainers.

## Summer Uniform:

- Grey shorts.
- Red and white checked dress.
- White polo shirt.
- Red jumper / cardigan.
- White or grey socks.
- Black school shoes / black trainers.

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





# Our curriculum

At St. Teresa's Catholic Primary School our curriculum is driven by our mission to create confident and independent learners who have the skills and knowledge needed to be the best that they can be, and who serve each other in a loving Catholic community.

Our intention is to ensure that pupils become successful learners who enjoy learning, make good progress and achieve. We cultivate confident individuals who can live safe, healthy and fulfilling lives, creating responsible citizens who make a positive contribution to society.

We offer a curriculum that is ambitious for all learners and develops their vocabulary at every opportunity. Children must be literate and numerate to enable them to fully access all areas of the curriculum. Due to the starting points of our children, we prioritise these vital skills to enable our children to be the 'best that they can be'.

At St. Teresa's we instil a love of learning in all children and provide the children with a sense of pride and joy in their achievements and in the success of others. We develop a sense of belonging and pride to be part of the school and wider community, and the importance of working together to achieve the very best they can be while supporting others to do the same.



**"Pupils are proud to be part of the school community."**

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“Strong relationships between pupils and staff ensure that support for pupils’ learning and personal development is highly effective.”

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## Special educational needs and disabilities

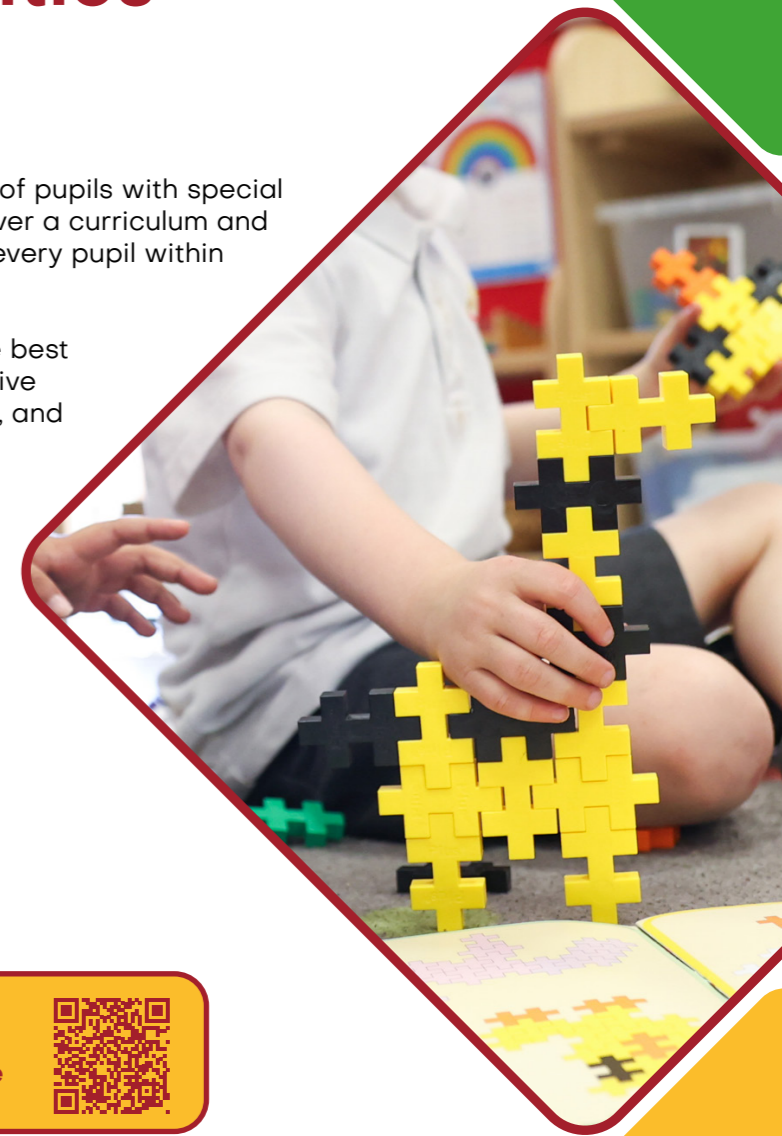
As an inclusive school, all teachers are teachers of pupils with special educational needs & disabilities (SEND). We deliver a curriculum and create an environment that meets the needs of every pupil within our school.

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

- SENDCo – Mrs Lindsay



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.

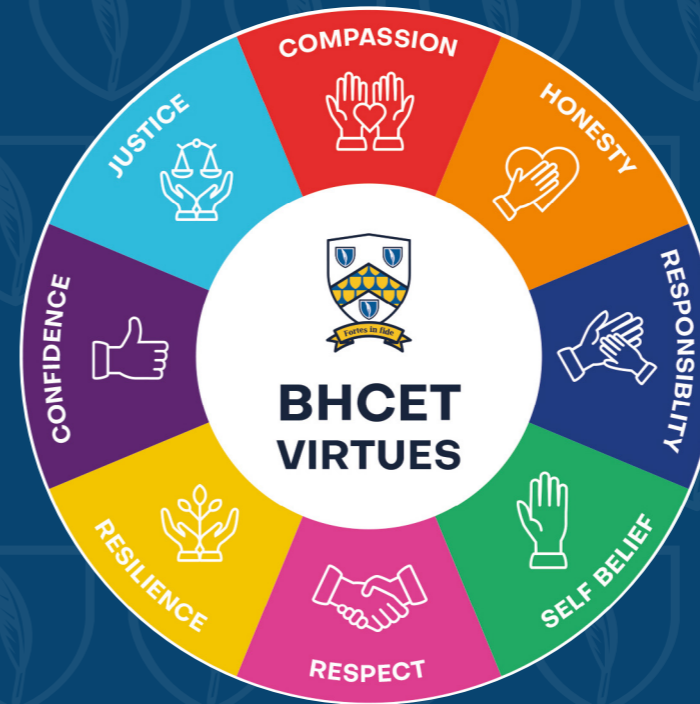
Our mission is to provide the highest quality education, fostering a collaborative environment where resources and best practices are shared among our schools.

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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### 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. Teresa's



Starting primary school is a very important time for you and your child, and at St. Teresa'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. Teresa's, 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://stteresasdarlington.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 (<https://www.darlington.gov.uk/education-and-learning/school-years/admissions>). We highly recommend contacting the school in the first instance for a visit.

## Nursery Admissions

At St. Teresa's, we offer a wonderful nursery setting for three year olds. The nursery is open from 8:45am – 3:30pm (term time only) and can be a mix of both government funded hours and private payment. Please visit our website for more information.



*Doing the little things well*



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