

St Mary's judged as Good following Catholic Schools Inspectorate Inspection

Local Governors and the Board of the St Teresa of Calcutta Catholic Academy Trust are delighted with the inspection report for St Mary's RC Primary School following its most recent Inspection. The Catholic Schools Inspectorate judged the school to be Good overall but also highlight key strengths at St Mary's:

The Inspection report noted that:

- Authentic and passionate leadership is the driving force ensuring Christ is truly at the centre of St Mary's.
- Dedicated staff fully embrace the school's mission and enhance the powerful sense of community.
- Children are committed ambassadors of the faith living out the school's values in all they do.
- Religious education lessons are highly valued by the children and behaviour is exemplary.
- Prayer and liturgy is central to school life and the upmost reverence is given to the Word of God.

Executive Headteacher Jane Myerscough said of the inspection outcome;

We are delighted that the inspection team has recognised the strong Catholic ethos, sense of community, and commitment to excellence that define St Mary's. The report affirms that our mission is not just words but a lived reality, where every child is loved, valued, and encouraged to grow in faith.

Inspectors highlighted the dedication of our staff, the deep sense of belonging within our school family, and the way children embrace their role as missionary disciples. Our strong partnership with parents and parish was also praised, reflecting the joyful and faith-filled community we cherish. This outcome is a testament to the hard work and commitment of our children, staff, and wider community. We remain steadfast in our mission, ensuring that St Mary's continues to be a place where faith, learning, and love flourish together.

Trust CEO Chris Foley went on to say;

Our Trust is immensely proud of what the staff at St Mary's have achieved. This report is a testament to their dedication, faith, and unwavering commitment to the children and families they serve. Inspectors rightly recognised the strong leadership and ambition driving the school forward, but the real credit belongs to the staff who, through their tireless work, ensure that every child is nurtured, valued, and supported to reach their full potential.

St Mary's is more than a school—it is a faith-filled community where Gospel values are lived out daily. The commitment of staff to providing a loving, aspirational environment means that children not only achieve academically but also grow in faith and service to others. This judgement affirms that St Mary's is delivering the high-quality Catholic education its young deserve, and we are incredibly grateful to the entire school team for their relentless efforts in making a difference in the lives of so many young people.