

## **St Michael's January 2026 OFSTED Inspection**

The Board of the St Teresa of Calcutta Catholic Academy Trust would like to congratulate staff, pupils and stakeholders of St Michael's RC Primary School following its most recent Inspection. OFSTED judged the school to be at the 'expected standard' or stronger in the majority of areas.

The Inspection report noted that:

- The school provides a very well-considered personal development programme. It enables pupils to flourish both academically and in their life beyond school.
- The school's inclusive and ambitious approach equips pupils with many qualities that will benefit them, such as determination, accountability and generosity. It helps them develop a clear sense of belonging. Together, these qualities prepare pupils well for life beyond school.
- Pupils develop a secure sense of belonging. They feel safe and happy because staff support and care for them well.
- Leaders' decisions centre on what is best for pupils, including those who are disadvantaged, those with special educational needs and/or disabilities and those who face other challenges in their lives.

**Headteacher Trish Grogan** said of the inspection outcome;

We are delighted that the inspection team has recognised the positive journey our school has been on and the strength of the community we have built together. This report reflects the dedication, care and commitment shown every day by our staff, pupils and families.

St Michael's is a school with a deep belief in its children and their potential. We are particularly proud that inspectors recognised the strong support for pupils' personal development and wellbeing, which lies at the heart of everything we do. We know that when children feel safe, valued and encouraged, they are able to flourish both academically and personally.

This outcome belongs to the whole school community. It is the result of the unwavering faith that staff have in the children and families we serve, and the shared determination to ensure that every child is given the opportunity to succeed. We are proud of how far the school has come and staff remain committed to continuing this journey together.

**Trust CEO Chris Foley** went on to say;

This inspection outcome is a real achievement for St Michael's and reflects the commitment of the leadership team, staff and governors and wider Trust over several years. The transformation since the school's previous inspection in 2023 has been significant. The report recognises the strong culture that has been built, care shown to pupils and the clear ambition for every child to succeed. We are also clear from the report what steps can be taken to further improve the school.

I would like to thank Mrs Grogan and her school team, for their belief in the children and families of this community. Their work has made the school into what it is today. We look forward to continuing to build on this strong foundation in the years ahead.