



## **St Teresa's School** **Incorporating EYFS and Wrap Around**

### **Statement of aims**

#### **Mission Statement**

Inspiring and achieving together, using our unique gifts given to us by God.

#### **Our Objective**

A community in which children, their families and their teachers work together to provide a loving, learning environment: a school for life according to the teaching of the Catholic Church.

#### **Aims and objectives**

- Through a well planned and creative curriculum, enthusiastically led by our teaching staff, we aim to enable every child in our care to develop their talents to the full.
- We aim to help all children achieve respect for themselves, for each other and the world within the Catholic environment of the school. They will want to take an active and meaningful role in society.
- We strive to nurture a Catholic atmosphere and to develop a living faith through prayer, liturgical celebrations and maintaining strong links with our parish community.
- We aim to have happy confident children with lively enquiring minds, able to engage in conversations, be confident and able to express thoughts and ideas.
- We aim to help our children to acquire the skills necessary to become effective, lifelong learners. It is envisaged that all the children who leave our school will do so as confident, independent learners with a sense of purpose.
- We aim to develop our children's understanding of their own and other religions, and to demonstrate respect for, and tolerance of, other peoples' race, faith and culture.
- Through opportunities to express themselves physically, musically and artistically, we aim to develop each child's creative skills.
- We aim as a school to continually review and monitor our practice to raise standards.
- We aim to foster good relationships between home and school, welcoming parents into the school and encouraging them to work in partnership and harmony with the staff.
- Within our Catholic environment we help all the children to feel valued, acquire self-discipline and achieve good standards of behaviour, so that they can make a positive and active contribution to the life of the school.

The school is a Charitable Trust which offers bursary awards.

#### **Access Policy**

It is important to us that access to the education we offer is not restricted to just those who can afford our school fees. We believe our pupils benefit from learning within a diverse community. Our Bursary Policy, together with our pastoral care, ethos and aims, contributes to a widening of access to the education we offer and the facilities we enjoy.

#### **Bursaries**

The Governors view our bursary awards as important in helping to ensure children from families who we feel we are able to help, reach their full potential and, bursaries are made on the basis of parental means, or to relieve hardship where a pupil's future prospects would otherwise be at risk.