



# St Patrick's

Roman Catholic High School  
*'Amazing Things Happen Here'*



# WELCOME

# CHILD CENTRED



Mrs A Byrne  
Headteacher

Welcome to St Patrick's RC High School. I am proud and privileged to be the Headteacher of such a dynamic, high-achieving and forward-thinking school that puts Jesus Christ at the heart of everything we do. We are guided in our work by our strong Catholic ethos, based on the Gospel Values, which drives us to be the very best we can be, using our God-given talents and gifts.

It is our mission to ensure that children experience a truly great Catholic education that enables them to flourish academically and shine personally, preparing them for a happy and successful adult life. Our school motto is, 'amazing things happen here' and you only have to spend five minutes in our school to realise that this is absolutely true. We have a strong and dedicated team of professionals who challenge and support students to achieve amazing things and they work hard to create an environment, built on mutual respect, whereby students rise to the challenges set for them.

Not only do our team work hard to ensure students achieve great academic standards, they are also fully committed to providing educational and extra-curricular experiences that support our students' personal and social development. Their conduct, high standards and caring attitudes make us incredibly proud. With a strong academic and moral education behind them, supported by our parents and carers, we find our students go on to achieve great things. Working together, we can ensure that they grow to live a happy and fulfilled life, rooted in the teachings of Jesus Christ.



"St Patricks is a school of Catholic Excellence. Excellence in teaching and learning is our core business, excelling in our Catholic Mission our core purpose."

Mr P Murden  
Executive Principal

## Mission Statement

*Our outstanding school community is guided by the Gospel values of: love, forgiveness, reconciliation, justice, integrity, humility and truth. Faith and worship are lived, taught and celebrated. We recognise the importance of service to others and the opportunity to be witnesses to Christ in our community.*

*All are unique and strive for personal growth. We celebrate the pursuit of academic excellence, applaud ambition and value the achievements of all. Our pupils are expected to achieve their best and use their learning to make a difference in the world they live in.*



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# TEACHING & LEARNING

## A CURRICULUM DESIGNED AROUND YOU

The curriculum at St Patrick's RC High School aims to support the highest level of achievement of all pupils. A wide range of subjects are available enabling us to offer pupils a highly personalised curriculum matched to each child's talents. Pupils benefit from small class sizes within core subjects, comparable to those in private schools. A strong work ethic is encouraged and nurtured, developing a love of learning in our pupils.

Teaching within all subjects is strengthened by innovative links to a range of other institutions and our work as a National Teaching School; this supports high academic and personal success.

Ofsted noted that, "Challenging and innovative approaches to teaching and learning are central to this school's exemplary improvement culture." Pupils are supported with Further and Higher Education choices and our links with employers help to prepare pupils for the best universities and the world of work.

## OUR ACHIEVEMENTS

In our last Ofsted inspection, the school was graded outstanding in all categories. Inspectors noted that,

"Teaching is lively, purposeful and committed. Students bring a sense of excitement and enjoyment to their learning."

"Leadership at all levels in the school is exemplary and fosters a culture which results in the highest achievements for our pupils, both academically and personally. The whole child is nurtured to become the best version of themselves that they can be."

**"Excellence in Teaching & Learning is our priority"**  
Mr P Murden Executive Principal

# SUCCESS





# FACILITIES

Pupils benefit from an amazing building designed to meet the needs of our learners. The school is located within extensive grounds and provides a bright, modern facility within an environment that supports teaching and learning across all subject areas with specialist facilities available to support pupils' learning.

Computer facilities have been incorporated into the school design enabling all teaching areas to benefit from the latest IT products utilising both Microsoft and Apple technologies. Pupils are able to benefit from specialist facilities which include: industry standard science laboratories, IT facilities, music and drama suites with an integrated recording studio, art facilities which include media, photography and ceramics provision together with a technology suite supporting food technology and resistant materials.

A dedicated sports hall supports a range of activities and incorporates a fully fitted fitness suite.



// I feel six -feet tall when I walk down the street in my uniform because I know how good my school is. //

Year 11 pupil quoted from Ofsted

# ACHIEVEMENT



# PASTORAL

CARE AND WELFARE OF PUPILS



St Patrick's provides a caring environment for all pupils.

Vertical tutor groups enable pupils from all year groups to mix as a 'family', promoting self-esteem and respect. Peer mentoring is promoted throughout the school ensuring pupils feel happy and safe in their environment whilst developing a social conscience.

At St Patrick's RC High School, we believe that the care of each child is important. The health and safety of our pupils, staff and visitors while at the school and on educational trips is supported by comprehensive policies and procedures. Pastoral care is provided through a House System and a dedicated Pupil Services Team.

Specialist staff are available to support pupils as needed. The Catholic ethos of our school plays an important part of school life. The liturgy group supports this ethos and has a strong pupil representation.

Mass is celebrated on a regular basis and is an opportunity for the whole school community to come together.

St Patrick's is an inclusive school and admissions are in line with the school's admission policy which is available on the school website.



Students feel safe, happy, challenged and develop strong aspirational ambitions.



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# RESPECT



# COMMUNITY



# INFORMATION

## THE BEST CHOICE FOR YOUR CHILD

St Patrick's RC High School is located close to the Salford/Trafford border; two minutes' drive from Junction 11 off the M60.

The school is well served by both dedicated school buses and public transport, making it easily accessed.

We have a reputation for academic success which has seen sustained, outstanding examination results over recent years consistently ranking us within the highest performing schools for results at GCSE level.

Our performance has been rated as outstanding across all Ofsted categories and has led to our designation as a National Teaching School.

This enables pupils to benefit from the latest exciting and innovative teaching practices which support pupils with their learning.

## AT THE HEART OF THE COMMUNITY

A thriving school council is in operation, along with a Parents' Forum and committed Board of Governors ensuring that the views of all of our stakeholders are considered.

Pupils are encouraged to play their role, tapping into British values and building a mutual respect within the local community by taking part in volunteering work and engaging with the wider community and the faiths and ethnicity that are represented. Regular charity work takes place enabling pupils to support others.

Community learning opportunities can be accessed at our school and a range of facilities are available for hire by the local community.

## ENRICHMENT ACTIVITIES

We encourage pupils to be involved in a range of enrichment activities.

These play an important part of pupils' development in a range of skills whilst enhancing their confidence and developing their self-esteem.

Pupils are offered a range of activities outside of lesson time, including art, dance, drama, music, science club and sports. In addition, pupils are able to attend homework clubs both before school, where breakfast is available, and after school.

The curriculum is enriched by a range of educational trips which are made available to all pupils, regardless of their financial circumstances, in line with the school's charging and remissions policy.

Standards are very high and achievement is outstanding. Standards at key stage 3 and 4 are significantly above national average.

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