



St. JOSEPH'S PREPARATORY SCHOOL

Part of the Edmund Rice Family

Catholic Life

Welcome to the 'Catholic Life' of the school page.

St Joseph's Preparatory school is a Catholic, Edmund Rice School. The Founders and Trustees of our school are the congregation of Christian Brothers.

We are part of the Edmund Rice Family of schools

Whilst the school is not a Parish school we do have very good relationships with Father Robert Taylerson at the Church of St Teresa of the Child Jesus, TrentVale, and Father Paul McNally at Holy Trinity Church, Newcastle under Lyme.

The school family from Reception up to Prep 6 attend Mass at St Teresa of the Holy Child on a regular basis; each of the Prep classes taking it in turn to take part in the Mass.

The Prep Department celebrates their annual Carol Service at Holy Trinity Church, Newcastle under Lyme.

God is at the Centre of our school; our school is a praying community.

Our Mission statement outlines our aims and goals which are based on Gospel values.

OUR SCHOOL MOTTO IS:

Growing in Faith and Knowledge

OUR SCHOOL MISSION STATEMENT

St. Joseph's Preparatory School is a Catholic School, which was founded by the Christian Brothers and is a place where the staff and governors work to bring the Gospel values into all areas of School life and where prayer, worship and liturgy are seen as meaningful experiences.

Each child is encouraged to strive for the highest possible standards of work and behaviour, whilst learning to live as a well-mannered, self-disciplined and tolerant individual both inside and outside the classroom. The children learn to live as happy and caring members of a School community, which values their unique individual talents, and also the needs of others.

St. Joseph's Preparatory School values and nurtures a close partnership with parents and encourages the forming of meaningful links with the wider community. The children are encouraged to take part in extra-curricular activities in order to develop an interest in sporting, cultural and recreational activities.

St. Joseph's Preparatory School up holds fundamental British values and encourages respect for all people.

St. Joseph's Preparatory School recognises its legal duty to work with Local Safeguarding Children's Board acting on behalf of children in need or enquiring into allegations of abuse.

We recognise that pupils have a fundamental right to be protected from harm and require a secure environment in order to learn effectively.

St Joseph's Preparatory School's Safeguarding Children Policy follows the guidelines laid down by the City of Stoke on Trent Safeguarding Children's Procedures and "Working Together to Safeguard Children"(2015) and "Keeping Children Safe in Education"(2016) (KCSIE)

Our motto 'Growing in Faith and Knowledge' encapsulates the School's Aims:

- To provide a caring, Christian community, in which individuals can develop fully.
- To strive for excellence in all areas – academic, sporting, musical etc.
- To provide an ethos which brings the Gospel message alive.
- To develop strong community links.

(St. Joseph's Preparatory School has achieved International School Status and is an Eco School.
We are a Dyslexia Friendly School

St Joseph's Preparatory School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.

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