



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.

Co-ordinator: Mrs Hutchinson
Written: June 2011
Updated: September 2017

Uniform Policy

St Joseph's Preparatory School Stoke on Trent

**This Policy is applicable to all pupils, including those in the EYFS
(staff are notified of regular ISI updates which are added annually)**

Uniform Policy

Aim

- To ensure that all members of the school community wear the correct school uniform.
- That all members of the school community look smart.
- That all members of the school community wear their uniform with pride.

At St Joseph's Preparatory School we have a specific uniform which we expect that all pupils attending our school will wear correctly.

The basis of the uniform is the Stewart tartan which was the tartan worn by the first girls at the school.

We have incorporated this tartan into the school uniform and it is now included in the girl's kilt, winter / summer boater braid, summer dress and whole school tie.

The school badge was designed by children in the school and every aspect of the badge has significance to the school.

The uniform list below can be purchased from our supplier Clive Mark

Clive Mark School wear, 25 High Street, Newcastle under Lyme. Tel: 01782 621721

We ask that all parents support us when purchasing the uniform and purchase only the items which are in the uniform shop.

The school is very proud of the uniform that the children wear and as such we do not accept children coming to school in alternative items.

If a child is sent to school in the incorrect uniform the parents will be contacted and asked to ensure that the correct uniform is worn on the next school day.

In extreme circumstances parents will be contacted and asked to take their child home until the correct uniform is worn.

This also applies to hair styles. Girls with hair longer than collar length hair should have it tied back with black or red ribbons or bobbles

Boys should have smart conventional hair (fashion cuts are not acceptable neither are shaved heads or patterns). Boy's hair should not exceed collar length.

Dyed hair is not acceptable.

For Health and Safety reasons the wearing of jewellery at any time is not allowed.

Nail varnish or make up is not allowed.

We ask that all items of uniform are clearly named with sew in name labels so that any items of lost property can be easily returned to its rightful owner.

We ask that all Nursery and Pre Prep children attend and leave school wearing a school cap (boys) or seasonal boater (girls).

The school has a number of items listed with an * on the 'Uniform list', which are available from the school office and which are part of the school uniform.

We thank parents for their co-operation in this matter.

We believe that our uniform is one of the elements that make our school so special and we ask that it is worn correctly and with pride.