

Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic Primary Prospectus 2025



We are growing in God's love ... achieving our dream.



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Welcome to Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic Primary School

A warm welcome to Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic Primary School. As a small school we offer a distinctive education within a friendly, caring atmosphere, where every child is truly valued and their own unique gifts celebrated.

We are able to get to know our pupils well, enabling us to support and challenge them to thrive as confident and precious individuals. We offer an exciting and broad curriculum which promotes high aspirations for all learners.

The school's mission statement highlights the importance of being kind, loving and respectful of everyone; growing in God's love to achieve our dreams.

We have dedicated staff and governors, and our families, and the local community all play an important role in the success of our happy school.

Please look at our brochure and if you would like to know more, then please feel free to get in touch.

Lisa Ashton
Executive Headteacher



It is important that all pupils are punctual for school and that your child attends school each day.

The School Day

School starts for Reception children at 8.30am and ends at 3.00pm.

Breakfast club runs from 8.00am each day and costs £5 per week. Payment is via Parent Pay.

After School Clubs

We aim to provide a variety of after school activities throughout the year, based on the interests and requests of the children.

Activities will be available for children from Reception to Year 6.



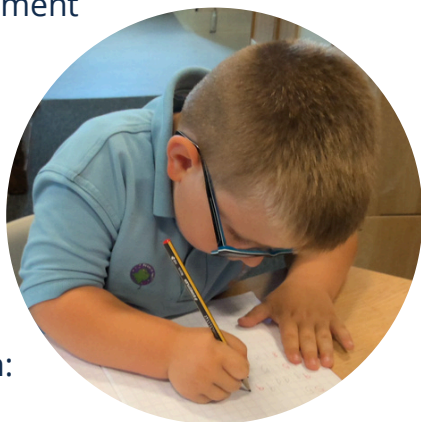
Our Curriculum

We are committed to providing a curriculum, which is broad and balanced, recognising that every pupil is unique. Our curriculum is designed to enable all children to achieve and reach their potential. Teaching and learning at Our Lady Star of the Sea has many creative elements and we aim to make learning engaging, and relevant to the children and their local area.

Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS)

Children learn new skills, acquire new knowledge and demonstrate their understanding in 7 areas of learning and development.

- Personal, social and emotional development
- Communication and language
- Physical development
- Literacy
- Mathematics
- Understanding of the World
- Expressive Arts and Design



Key Stages 1-2

Study the following areas of the curriculum:

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| • Mathematics | • Computing |
| • Literacy | • Music |
| • Religious Education | • Physical Education |
| • Art & Design Technology | • History |
| • Personal and Social Education | • Geography |
| • Modern Foreign Language | • Science |



Parent/Carer involvement

We acknowledge the importance of parents/carers as a child's first educator and aim to work together with parents.

Parent workshops

During the course of the year you will be invited to join us for a range of focused workshops. These are intended to support you at home when helping your child to learn and provide an opportunity for us to share some of the strategies we use in our teaching that your child will be familiar with.

Reading together

Supporting your child's reading development is one of the most important things you can do for them over the coming year. Children who read and are read to often at home, make accelerated progress in reading. Reading contributes to all areas of learning across the curriculum.

For more ideas on how you can help your child get ready for starting school please see the 'Starting Reception' information booklet.

Friends of the School

Our school encourages parents/carers to be engaged in the education of their children and warmly welcome their involvement in school life. Parents/carers are encouraged to join the 'Friends of the School' and become actively involved in organising events, fundraising and supporting school trips and activities. Please contact the school office for more details.



Our School Uniform

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- Pale blue school polo shirt
- black trousers or skirt
- black shorts
- Blue gingham dress
- Royal blue school sweatshirt/cardigan

P.E. Kit

- Blue shorts
- White t-shirt
- Plimsolls
- black jogger/trainers (outdoor use)

Please ensure all items of clothing, including shoes, are clearly marked with you child's name.

You will be kept informed of your child's PE day. Children should come to school in their PE kit on that day. Please ensure all items of clothing, including shoes, are clearly marked with you child's name.



Jewellery

For health and safety reasons children are discouraged from wearing any form of jewellery. The school advises parents who wish their children to have their ears pierced to do so at the beginning of the summer holidays. Earrings should be removed for school.



Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND)

At Our Lady Star of the Sea we value that fact that all of our children are unique and different with a range of different strengths and talents. We recognise that some children need additional support to be able to access the curriculum. We adapt teaching activities to help those children who experience learning difficulties, whilst working closely, where necessary, with outside agencies such as:

- **Speech and Language Service**
- **Occupational Therapy**
- **Educational Psychology**
- **Emotional wellbeing and effective learning team (EWEL)**

We pride ourselves on working together closely with families and children to work quickly and get the best plan possible in place should your child need additional support.

If your child, at some point throughout the school journey, needs this additional support please don't worry, sometimes this is just intervention or support for a short time and can be tailored to your child's individual needs. Our SENCO (Special Educational Needs Co- Ordinator), Mrs Taylor is always there to provide support.



Safeguarding

We are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children. We believe that we all have the right to be happy, to be safe and to learn.

All children, whatever their age, culture, disability, gender, language, racial origin, religious beliefs and/or sexual identity have the right to be protected from harm. Therefore, any suspicions and allegations of abuse will be taken seriously and responded to swiftly and appropriately.

We adhere to Keeping Children Safe in Education, statutory guidance from the Department for Education. We are all responsible for ensuring that each child remains safe and we have designated Safeguarding Leads in school.

Designated Safeguarding Leads:

- Mrs L Ashton
- Mrs C Taylor



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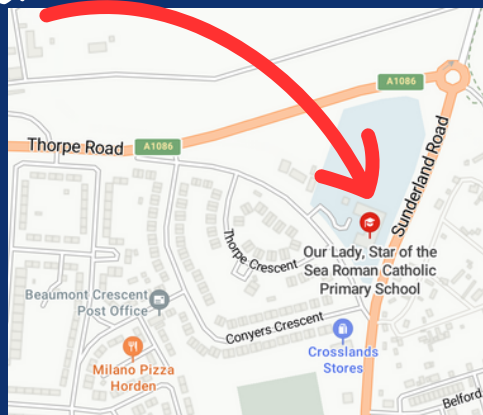
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