

Our Ethos and Values

The Staff and Governors of St. John's C.P. School are committed to enabling all children to become lifelong learners and to acquire the attitudes, confidence, skills and knowledge to become resilient citizens within the community.

In order to achieve this, we aim to:-

Provide a creative and personalised curriculum enabling all pupils to achieve their potential.

Provide a safe and nurturing environment in which children's emotional well-being is of the utmost importance.

Provide a wide range of rich and varied experiences which will raise aspirations and encourage enquiring minds.

Establish purposeful and open relationships with parents.

The values we wish to develop in our children are:-

A determination to do the best in all aspects of school life.

Self respect and self esteem.

Respect and understanding of others, including their beliefs, values opinions and property.

That good manners and acceptable social behaviour are important at all times.

An understanding of healthy living.

Recognise the importance of healthy and respectful relationships.



Things we have already achieved ...

- Excellent results at the end of KSI for two years running.
- All classes making good progress in all subjects in 2011/12.
- New fencing around school to make the site safer for all pupils.
- More opportunities for parents to work alongside their children e.g. phonics observations, celebration evenings and curriculum weeks.
- A new quad area making a safe and stimulating space for outdoor learning for pupils in Y1.
- We are now part of the Children's University.
- Before and after school care is now offered on the school site.



School Development Plan Priorities for 2012/13

Things we are doing
to make our school
even better!

Improving our school further

We are constantly working hard to make St. John's the very best school for your children and I would like to share with you the key priorities we have set for school improvement this year.

We really value the strong partnership between the school, Parents, carers and the wider community. When we all work together it is the children who benefit.

This year we want to continue raising standards for all groups of children and to ensure our school is the best it can be.

If you have any concerns about your child please don't hesitate to let us know and we will do our best to bring about an improvement.

I hope this booklet helps you understand more about our school and gives some useful information about how our school is continuing to improve. Thank you for all the support you give us. It makes such a difference.

Ms Quinn

Our priorities....

Implement the new early years curriculum and reorganise the Reception learning environment to provide greater stimulation and progression of skills and learning through Foundation Stage and further developing parental engagement in early literacy.

Review of KS2 maths teaching and development of more varied learning opportunities including weekly challenge sessions; use of advanced skills teachers; revising homework policy; and parental aids and revision guides.

Improve the profile of reading and writing across the school including redesigning and replenishing the library and reading schemes, introducing a school newspaper, author visits and literary challenges, revision guides, and continuing to provide opportunities to enable parents / carers to support their child's learning.

Implement new national teaching standards and performance management policy.

Enhance the well-being and safety of pupils by reinforcement of behaviour policy and its application, and ensure that the role of the inclusion mentor has a positive and measurable impact on learning for the pupils she supports.

Review and closely monitor the intervention provision for children with special educational needs.

Supporting us

During the year we will ask you to work with us on projects and to give your feedback which enables us to keep on improving. Should you have any questions about this leaflet please make an appointment to see the Headteacher or a member of the teaching staff who will be very happy to help.

Thank you in advance for your continued support of the school and staff.

