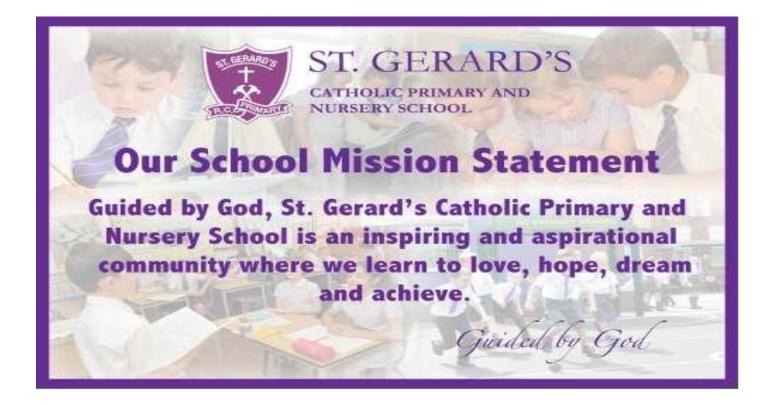
## St Gerard's Catholic Primary and Nursery School

### <u>Our School Mission Statement and Our vision</u>



#### Our Vision

Our School Vision is:

- to be an inspiring and aspiring community, living the Gospel Values;
  to provide an enriching, inclusive learning experience which strives for excellence;
- to journey together in partnership to become an inspiring and aspiring community.



#### To be an inspiring and aspiring community, living the Gospel Values

To achieve this vision, we:

- put Christ at the centre and embrace Gospel Values and the teachings of the Catholic Church into every aspect of our school life and work;
- have a shared vision;
- uphold the dignity and value of each person as a unique individual, made in the image of Christ;
- learn about difference in our world and respect and value diversity;

- promote and model relationships and behaviour rooted in the teaching of Christ;
- deliver the 'Come and See' Religious Education Programme;
- ensure that acts of Collective Worship, prayer and liturgical celebrations are an active and integral part of the teaching and learning;
- devise and implement policies and procedures that reflect and express the Catholic faith;
- display symbols and religious icons to enable everyone to experience the uniqueness and sacredness of the learning environment;
- offer opportunities for each person to experience life in all its fullness.

#### To provide an enriching, inclusive learning experience which strives for excellence

To achieve this vision, we:

- acknowledge that Religious Education is at the heart of the curriculum;
- provide a Christian, structured, broad, balanced, engaging, appropriate, quality curriculum and extra-curricular programme, to empower all members of the school community to reach their full human potential;
- promote a positive, affirmative ethos;
- nurture the well-being of every individual and enable them to positively serve society;
- ensure that Religious Education is well resourced and allocated 10% of curriculum time;
- integrate the knowledge, understanding, skills and values of Religious Education into all aspects of learning and school life;
- sustain a learning environment that is distinctive, accessible, safe, stimulating and well maintained;
- teach respect and care for God's creation;

• engage positively and collaboratively with individuals, schools, services, agencies and with changes and developments in education.

#### To journey together in partnership to become an inspiring and aspiring community

To achieve this vision, we:

- form part of the spiritual, pastoral and community life of the Parish, Diocese and Church;
- involve the clergy, religious and catechists in the work of the school;
- support the local Parish and the Church's universal mission to make God known to all peoples;
- evolve with the Parish communities through developments in the Pastoral Area of St. Wilfrid's;
- assist parents/carers in the education and religious formation of their children;
- maintain and build upon the affirmative and supportive relationships in the school community;
- collaborate with other schools, professionals, services and agencies to meet the needs of the children and their families;
- encourage citizenship, communal responsibility and commitment to social justice;
- promote community cohesion by understanding and respecting different races, cultures and faiths;
- care for and maintain the environment as stewards of creation; endorse fundraising projects locally, nationally and internationally;
- serve the common good.

# This is our vision; our mission statement of our School.

