



St. Matthew's Catholic Primary School
Queen's Drive, Liverpool, L4 8UA Tel / Fax: 0151 226 1871
Head Teacher: Mrs M Loftus

Wednesday 17th October

Dear Parents/Carers,

As a Catholic primary school, we are inspected by Liverpool Archdiocese. A team in the Education Department will inspect each Catholic school every 5 years. It has been decided 5 years maybe too long for a school to be seen so they have introduced a 'monitoring visit' part way through this period of time.

We had our last RE Inspection in October 2015 so on Wednesday 26th September an Archdiocesan inspector came for a visit.

I have attached a copy of her report. It's a great read and it demonstrates how hard everyone works in St Matthew's. She praises our high standards of work and how well your children participate in class.

We are well aware of the 'areas for development'. These developments have recently been introduced to all Catholic primary schools across Liverpool.

Enjoy!

Mrs Moira Loftus
Head Teacher



'Through respect we will work together in Christ to develop the whole person'



MONITORING VISIT at St. Matthew's Catholic Primary School on 26 September 2018

THESE ARE THE AREAS TO CELEBRATE

- The Catholic Life at St. Matthew's continues to be very strong. The school lives out its mission and the ethos created in this very inclusive home, school and parish community is tangible. The school environment is aesthetically pleasing and reflects its mission in the entrance porch, stairwells, classrooms and corridors.
- Relationships at every level across the school are excellent and the behaviour of the children is exemplary.
- The quality of teaching and learning in Religious Education at St. Matthew's is enhanced by the strategies that teachers use to enthuse, challenge and engage pupils. Lessons observed were indicative of the very high standards set across the school and staff work hard to maintain this.
- The high standard of work in children's books and creative portfolios reflect the range of activities undertaken in Religious Education and Relationships and Sex Education. Pupils have pride in their work and their understanding of the topics and ability to verbalise their knowledge is excellent.
- The new subject leader for Religious Education ably supported by the senior leadership team has made a great start in continuing to take the school forward. He is passionate about the next stage of the journey and his transition into the role has been seamless.
- The governing body are very effective in the way they undertake their roles and responsibilities with regard to Catholic Life and Religious Education. Their commitment to supporting Continuous Professional Development in the school is excellent. They are proud of their children's contributions and how they put their 'faith in action'.

THESE ARE THE AREAS FOR CONTINUED DEVELOPMENT

- To continue to further develop and embed Relationships and Sex Education across the school. Building in opportunities for teachers to plan and deliver lessons using 'No Outsiders in Our School' will enrich the curriculum further.
- To further develop Religious Education in line with current changes to assessment, recording and reporting using the new Standards document.

Monitoring visitor: Mrs. Pat Peel