

29 February 2024

Dear parents and carers,

We have received the Catholic Schools Inspectorate inspection report and I'm pleased to tell you that the school was judged outstanding in the Catholic Life and Mission and good in Religious Education and Collective Worship. Therefore resulting in an overall effectiveness grade for St Patrick's as Good.

The full report can be found by clicking on the following link:

<https://blessed-edward-campion-federation.secure-primariesite.net/ofsted-reports/>

I want to take this opportunity to thank all the children who worked extremely hard and represented the school incredibly well. I am so proud of them as they were shining representatives of the school's Catholic ethos. I also want to thank the staff and everyone who works, and helps at the school for their support during the inspection and in fact the whole year.

The Inspectors were incredibly complementary about the children and staff and so I want to take this opportunity to share with you some of the lovely comments they said about us.

Children

- The behaviour of pupils is exemplary and demonstrates a very mature understanding of love, care and respect.
- Pupils' behaviour, supported by the school's virtues curriculum, is always exemplary and they respect and care for all within the school community.

Staff

- The daily living out of the school's mission statement, and outstanding relationships at all levels, impact on all aspects of school life and ensure the ethos and sense of welcome is tangible.
- Thorough planning and high-quality resources are used well to support pupils in lessons and behaviour for learning is very good.

School Leaders

- The dedicated and hard-working senior leadership team, supported by very experienced governors, are committed to the development of the Catholic life of the school and feel that 'by helping others they are living out their own faith.' They lead by example and are exemplary role models.
- Leaders and governors ensure that provision for prayer and liturgy is prioritised and together with the very supportive parish priest this has led to a strong partnership with the parish which is valued by all.

Wider Community

- Parents value the contribution staff make to the formation of their children and they consider staff to be 'warm and encouraging' and to always show 'care and kindness'. One commented: 'The school exemplifies the gospel values in all that it does.' The school's welcoming ethos is evident from first stepping into the school, and the environment fully reflects its Catholic identity.

It is lovely to share such good news with during this special season of Lent.

God Bless,

Mr G Hawes
Executive Headteacher

