St. John Bosco Catholic Primary School ST. JOHN BOSCO Prospectus CARING FOR EACH OTHER

Welcome





Welcome to St. John Bosco Catholic Primary School.

The purpose of this prospectus is to provide you with some general information about our school which we hope will be useful to you and help to make your child's stay with us happy and fulfilling.

St. John Bosco School is a Catholic primary day school for boys and girls for all abilities from 4 to 11 years of age. The school also has Bosco Bears nursery for children of 3 to 4 years of age.

We are always very happy to see parents in school, if you would like to organise a visit please get in touch.

To find out more about our school please visit our website www.stjohnboscosunderland.org.uk

We are part of Bishop Chadwick Catholic Education Trust.



Bosco Bears - Our Nursery



Our wonderful 26 place Nursery offers children aged 3 to 4 the perfect start to their learning journey and a place where they can flourish under the guidance of our experienced and nurturing Nursery staff.

We work in partnership with parents and carers to encourage children to develop into happy, independent, resilient, life-long learners.

We recognise that every child is unique at Bosco Bears Nursery and we aim to foster their love of learning by building on their individual interests as well as their existing knowledge and skills.

Our curriculum offers experiences that foster natural curiosity, enthusiasm and motivation for learning and challenge.

We have an engaging and enabling indoor and outdoor environment that is safe and secure for your child to explore their learning. Please come and visit us at any time.

We offer 15 hours of provision; Monday to Friday from 8.45 – 11.45am or from 12:15pm – 3:15pm.

We also offer 30 hours of provision for families who meet the eligibility criteria, lunch can be provided for a small fee. Please email the School Office if you would like further information about this.











Our School Day



Our main school day is from 9.00am to 3.15pm (Doors open at 8.45 am).

Registers are closed at 9.15am. Key Stage Liturgies are held weekly with a class Liturgy held on a Wednesday. The teaching day for infant pupils is 4 hours 25 minutes. The teaching day for junior pupils is 4 hours 50 minutes.

We serve the parish of Sacred Heart and St. John Bosco. There is a very strong Catholic ethos throughout the whole school community, but we welcome pupils of all faiths and beliefs. The school was built in 1968 and a Foundation Stage Unit was added and officially opened by Bishop Kevin Dunn in March 2005.

We aim to provide a safe, happy and responsible environment in which children can learn, enjoy and be valued as a unique individual.

A shared responsibility between the school and home is key to ensuring your child's time at our school is a positive experience.

We want all of our children to feel welcomed, happy and fulfilled. We recognise that all children are different and that these differences create opportunities for adults and children alike to learn more about ourselves and each other.

Our Breakfast Club runs every morning from 8am providing pupils with a nutritious breakfast followed by a fun fitness session. We charge £2.00 per child per day which is paid in advance of the days required on a Monday morning. We welcome all year groups from Reception to Year 6.



Our Curriculum



The curriculum is divided into three stages:

- Early Years Foundation Stage: from ages 0-5 years
- Key Stage 1: from ages 5-7 years
- Key Stage 2: from ages 7-11 years

The Early Years Foundation Stage Curriculum is based on seven areas of learning:

Personal, Social and Emotional Development Communication and Language Physical Development Literacy Mathematics Understanding the World **Expressive Arts and Design**

Key Stages 1-2 areas of the curriculum are:

Mathematics

Literacy

Science

Religious Education

Information and Design Technology

History

Geography

Art



Pastoral support



SEND

At St. John Bosco we believe that every child matters and every teacher is able to support special educational needs (SEND).

Children who have a Statement of Special Educational Needs have their statement reviewed annually with all parties involved. We recognise that children with special needs are more vulnerable to abuse and exploitation.

Safeguarding

We have designated personnel in school responsible for matters related to Child Protection.

Parents should be aware that the school would take any reasonable action to ensure the safety of its pupils. In cases where the school has reason to be concerned that a pupil may be subject to ill-treatment, neglect or other forms of abuse, staff have no alternative but to follow SSCB procedures and inform social care of their concern



Our Uniform



Girls

- Royal blue sweatshirt
- White polo shirt
- Grey skirt or pinafore or trousers
- Black school shoes

Boys

- Royal blue sweatshirt
- White polo shirt
- Grey school trousers
- Black school shoes

PE Kit

- White t-shirt
- Navy/Royal Blue shorts
- Royal blue jogging bottoms
- Black gym shoes

Our suggested supplier for uniform with the school logo on is:

Little Gems - www.theschooloutfit.co.uk

Preloved uniform is available please contact the school office for details.

Extra-curricular activites

We offer an extensive range of clubs which change termly for more details please visit our website: stjohnboscosunderland.org.uk

Clubs are charged on a termly basis in advance (apart from Homework Clubs which are free) - for more information on our current range of clubs please visit our website.

Our Pupils are encouraged to learn how to play a musical instrument from Year 1 onwards and we have wonderful specialist teachers who come into school each week to teach the Violin, Flute, Clarinet, Drums and Chalumeau. Places, however, are limited for this wonderful oppor tunity and we do have a waiting list of prospective musicians!



Chadwick's Kitchen



Our award winning in-house catering team Chadwick's Kitchen, provide catering services across the Trust.

We use fresh ingredients to prepare healthy and nutritionally balanced meals each day. The majority of our menus are homemade by our chefs in our kitchens.

Staff are trained to accommodate medical diets and work in partnership with parents to ensure these needs are met. As part of the Trust's commitment to sustainability, we regularly review food miles and continue to work to reduce food waste.

Parents/Carers can pay for school meals using ParentPay.

Pupils entitled to free meals are allowed to purchase food to the value of a free school meal allowance daily.

Pupils also have the option to bring a packed lunch (nuts or nut-based products aren't permitted). Find out more: www.bccet.org.uk/chadwicks-kitchen/





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Our Trust



We are proud to be part of Bishop Chadwick Catholic Education Trust.

We are a catholic multi-academy Trust and currently have thirty schools, five secondary schools (four with sixth forms), and twenty five primary schools (16 have nursery provision).

The Trust covers the east part of the Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle, we have schools in East Durham, South Tyneside and Sunderland.

Our family of schools work closely together so that can pupils can flourish. As part of the Trust effective transition is supported by our close relationships, and pupils benefit from a shared, progressive curriculum and common expectations.



We have 30 schools in our Trust

11,495 pupils in our family of schools

1,338 staff in our Trust







