



St. Joseph's Open Morning

Tuesday 15th October 2019



Welcome



Introductions

- Mr Carry – Principal
- Mrs McCole – Vice Principal and SENCO
- Mrs Price – Chair of St Joseph's Academy Committee
- Mrs Dodd and Mrs Piercy – Reception Class teachers
- Mrs Riley – Key Stage 1 and EYFS lead
- Mrs Faux-Conduit – School Admin. Manager
- Mrs Parveen – Extra Club Manager
- Mrs Brown/Mrs Cartwright and Mrs Stevens – Dudley Catering – Cooks and Catering Assistant
- Mrs Boaler and Mrs Warton – Chairs of PTA
- Fr. Des Devenney – OLAS Parish Priest

Our School Mission Statement



In following the Gospel values of Jesus,
we are called to love, to learn and to
respect one another.

About St Joseph's

- Currently 207 pupils on roll
- One form entry (one class per year group)
- 94% of pupils are Catholic
- Converted to a Multi Academy Company on 1st October 2014
- St Nicholas Owen Catholic Multi Academy Company (SNOMAC)
- Everything we do is underpinned by the Gospel values and Catholic virtues which are rooted from The Beatitudes
- Christ-centred to develop the whole child

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Catholic Schools Pupil Profile

- Since September 2015 all Catholic schools across the Archdiocese of Birmingham have followed the 'Catholic Schools Pupil Profile'
- This has been adapted from the Jesuit Institute Virtues formulated originally by Fr. Adrian Porter
- This consists of a series of 'Character Virtues' (16 in total) which will help to develop every child to live a happy and virtuous life providing them with skills for living and skills for learning
- Each half term focuses on two virtues. This cycle will then continue so that the same virtues are not associated with a particular time of the year. Currently we are exploring the virtues of being grateful and generous
- Catholic school clusters met together to discuss ideas on ways in which these virtues can be incorporated into Collective Worship, the Catholic Life of the School and within RE lessons
- These virtues form the basis of all teaching within the school and inform parents how we intend to develop the whole-child

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The Development of the Whole Child

- Catholic schools retain a unique identity
- Spiritual, Moral, Social, Vocational and Cultural Development (SMVSC) of every child
- Gospel values (The Beatitudes)
- Catholic Schools Pupil Profile (Catholic virtues)
- Curriculum – broad and balanced with enriched learning opportunities
- Extra curricular – extension/enrichment of learning – arts, sport, music etc.
- Support for children with different needs – SEND, emotional and social, behavioural etc.

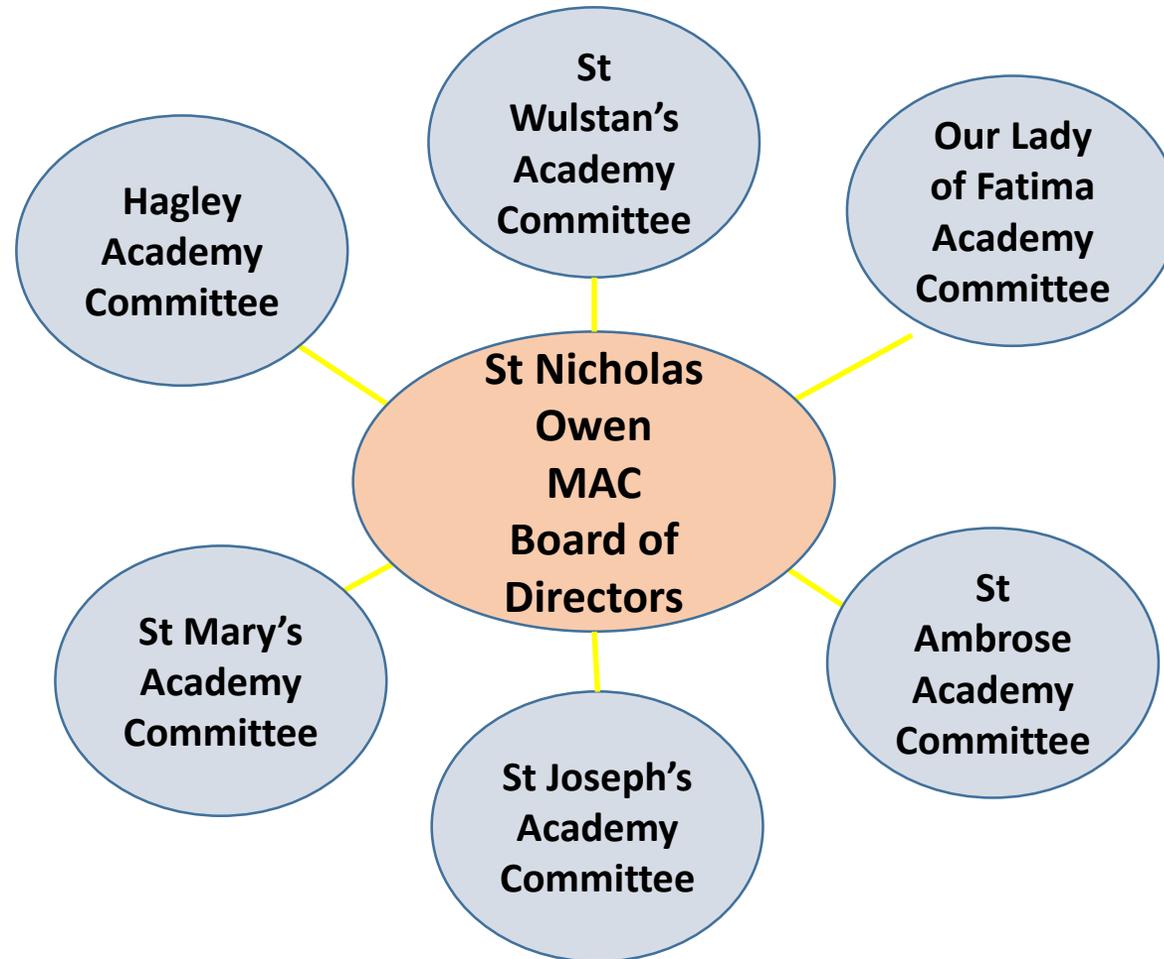
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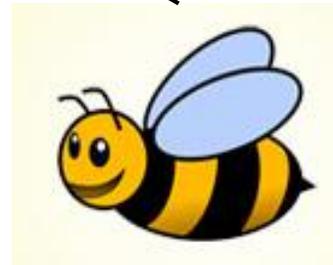
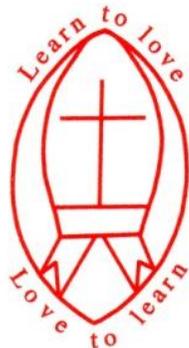
- St Joseph's Senior Leadership Team (Principal, Vice Principal and Key Stage Leads)
- St Joseph's Academy Committee (12 members – two staff and two parent representatives plus eight foundation members)
- St Nicholas Owen Multi Academy Company (MAC) Board of Directors (14 members – two staff and two parent directors plus eight foundation directors)

What is a MAC?

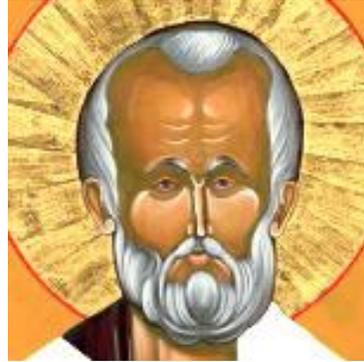
- A Multi Academy Company (MAC) is a family of Catholic schools who are committed to working together
- All MACs in our Diocese work under the 'umbrella' of the Dominic Barberi Trust
- All schools in our MAC have their own distinctive Catholic identity

A group of Catholic schools each with Academy status,
independent of the Local Authority,
with one Board of Directors and one Committee of Principals
but each with its own Academy Committee





The St. Nicholas Owen Multi-Academy Company



Saint Nicholas Owen (died 1606) was a Jesuit lay brother who built numerous priest holes during the reign of Queen Elizabeth I of England.

Some of these priest holes are at Harvington Hall.

Saint Nicholas Owen is honoured as a martyr by the Catholic Church and was canonized by Pope Paul VI in 1970.

Why be in a MAC?

- To ensure the continuation of Catholic education
- To work together to create the best possible learning environments for our children
- To share expertise, ideas and skills
- To create diverse opportunities for our children

Being a Catholic School

- Assist the Church, support parents and the community
- Daily acts of Collective Worship – class, key stage, whole-school, meditation etc.
- Catholic Life – Masses (class, key stage, whole-school) held at school and at Our Lady and All Saints Church, implementation of the Gospel values and virtues
- Charitable outreach – Father Hudson's Society, CAFOD, Project Gambia, Macmillan etc.
- Strong links between the School and Parish
- Sacramental programme – Year 3 (Reconciliation and First Holy Communion) and Year 6 (Confirmation)
- R.E. – follow Diocesan programme – Learning and Growing as People of God

Well Done!

- Parents are the primary educators of their children
- Catholic schools are in place to support parents in educating their children, assisting the Church in making Christ known to others etc.
- Early parental engagement is key to child development
- The Education Endowment Foundation (EEF) is an independent grant-making charity dedicated to breaking the link between family income and educational achievement, ensuring that children from all backgrounds can fulfil their potential and make the most of their talents
- The EEF has highlighted the importance of parents reading to their children before they can read and with them when they are able to. Talking to children also has a positive impact on child development. Parental engagement can contribute to up to 5 months additional progress in learning over a year
- As a Catholic school our aim is to ensure that every child, made in the image and likeness of God, is given the opportunities to develop (in all aspects) to their God-given potential



Phonics

- In Reception and KS1 we use the Read Write Inc. phonics programme
- This is a complete literacy programme - systematic and structured
- This programme meets the demands of the new national curriculum, giving your children the best chance of success in the national tests
- The option of one-to-one tutoring is available so no child is left behind
- Storybooks align with the sounds learnt in class
- We will hold a phonics meeting in September to explain the programme fully including ways to support your child at home
- Key information is available on our website (Key Information tab)

Wraparound Childcare

- Latest DfE document highlights the importance of schools in supporting parents with additional childcare outside normal school hours
- Wraparound childcare refers to before school childcare (breakfast club) and after school childcare (after school club)
- *The Parents' views and experiences of childcare* survey suggested that 62% of parents of children aged 5+ require some form of wraparound care.
- In addition to this, 3 out of 10 parents were unable to find the wraparound care required
- Mrs Naheed Parveen is the manager of the 'Extra Club' which provides before school care (from 8am) and after school care (up to 6pm) Monday to Friday.

Out of School Hours Provision

- There are a range of before school, lunchtime and after school activities for the children on offer here at St. Joseph's
- Sport provision includes multi-skills clubs (two mornings per week), gymnastics clubs (two mornings per week), volleyball, netball, Irish dancing, football, tag rugby, volleyball, martial arts and cross country
- During the course of the year there are clubs organised with external providers including an art club with the Dudley Performing Arts, Science Club, Art Club
- Mrs Cangiano leads the Key Stage 2 choir and perform at Young Voices and other concerts. Mrs Piercy supports the choir for KS1 children
- The DPA teachers lead peripatetic sessions for children who wish to play an instrument (KS2).



DUDLEY FAMILY INFORMATION SERVICE

- Ben Diaper – Information Officer & Local Contact for DFIS

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- Dudley Family Information Service is a **FREE** service that provides information, advice and contacts for all families with children and young people aged 0-20yrs across the Borough and for families with children and young people 0-25yrs who have a special educational need or a disability. We also provide information and advice to childcare providers and for other professionals supporting families. Information provided includes:
 - Childcare
 - Events & Leisure
 - Early Help Support & Advice
 - Local Offer
- All advice and information given by the FIS team is free and confidential. Our helpline is open Monday to Friday, 9am – 5pm; there is a 24 hour answer phone service. You can also view our website: <http://fis.dudley.gov.uk/FSD/>

Next Steps - Primary School Admissions

- Can apply to Dudley Local Authority by two methods:
- Online – email decision received in April 2020
- Can apply 24 hours a day, 7 days a week
- Safe and secure
- Paper application form
- Contact Admissions on 0300 555 2345 for a form
- Online and paper applications have been available since 1st October 2019
- Closing date for applications is 15th January 2020
- For St. Joseph's (or other faith schools) – must complete a supplementary information form (SIF) and bring a copy of child's baptismal certificate – returned to the school office before the deadline
- Copy of the school prospectus for further information is available on the school website:
- <https://st-jo-st.sch.life/>

Any Questions?

