

# English Martyrs Catholic Primary School



## Prospectus



*We love, learn and grow together through Jesus Christ.*



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# Welcome



Our school is a small family Catholic Primary which serves the Parish of St. Hilda's Southwick. We see it as our mission to spread the Gospel through our aspirations and care for the children in our school. Further to this, we believe that we have a mission to our families and the wider community which is lived out through our schools mission statement.

The school has a Foundation Stage unit where children from Nursery and Reception are taught in an expansive purpose built area. Children from Key Stage 1 and 2 are taught in large light and airy classrooms.

We have a wide range of extracurricular activities including a morning pre-school breakfast club. We also provide a wide range of after school clubs to include, multi-sports, football, eco warriors, computers, homework and craft activities. We also compete with local schools in a wide range of sports.

We offer high quality educational opportunities set in a context of spirituality and respect for each person's dignity and uniqueness.

Have a look at our newsletter, visit our website or follow us on social media to find out all the latest news.

If you would like to arrange a visit, or have any queries please do not hesitate to contact us.



**Lianne Peart**  
Executive Headteacher





Timings of our school day vary slightly depending on Key Stage:

Key Stage 1: 8.55 am - 3.15 pm

Key Stage 2: 8.55 am - 3.20 pm

We also offer a breakfast club from 8.00 am, providing pupils with a nutritious breakfast, children from Reception to Year 6 can attend.

Places are booked and paid for by contacting the school office.



## School Uniform

Children wear red sweatshirts or red cardigans with a white polo shirt and grey trousers, pinafore or skirt. Black shoes (not trainers) are also worn.

P.E. kit is a red t-shirt with black shorts and black gym shoes. Preloved uniform is available just contact the school office.

Lifelong learning begins in our Nursery classroom and our Nursery team love to get to know the children well and help them become confident members of our school.

In Nursery it is so important to learn new skills and knowledge, this is why we do a lot of learning through our play. We recognise that every child is unique at English Martyrs and we aim to foster their love of learning by building on their individual interests as well as their existing knowledge and skills.

We value our strong partnership with families, ensuring each child's needs are understood and catered for.

Our EYFS is well resourced and benefits from a spacious indoor learning area to our own outdoor Nursery garden. We are very proud of our nurturing and caring environment.

We are a happy 52 place school-based Nursery for 3-4-year-old children. We offer 15 and 30 hour places:

Morning session is 8.45 am -11.45 am

Afternoon session is 12:15-3:15pm

We also offer 30 hour places get in touch for more details.





We follow the National Curriculum core subjects in Years 1- 6:

**English** - children develop skills in speaking, listening, reading and writing. It enables them to express themselves creatively and imaginatively and to communicate with each other effectively.

**Mathematics** - we provide opportunities for children to develop their mathematical skills knowledge and understanding through a range of problem-solving and investigative activities.

**Science** - stimulates children's curiosity about phenomena and events in the world around them. They begin to understand how scientific ideas contribute to technological change and they learn to question and discuss science-based issues which may affect their own lives.

**Computing** - prepares children to participate in a rapidly changing world in which work and other activities are increasingly transformed by access to varied and developing technology.

**Religious Education** - English Martyrs' is a Catholic School, seeking to encourage each child's deeper love and understanding of our faith.

Alongside our other foundation subjects: Design & Technology, History, Geography, Music, PE, Art & Design, Languages and PSHCE.



We acknowledge the importance of working in partnership with parents/carers to support our children. We encourage the children to have respect for each person's dignity and uniqueness.

## SEND

We value the contribution that every child can make. We are committed to offering an inclusive curriculum to ensure the best possible progress for all of our pupils whatever their needs and abilities.

The school seeks to raise the achievement, remove barriers to learning and increase physical and curricular access to all. All children with SEND are valued, respected and equal members of the school.

Every teacher is a teacher of children with SEND and differentiated quality first teaching is a priority for all pupils including those with SEND.

Every child is unique and our school work in partnership with parents/carers and if appropriate other agencies to ensure children who have an Educational Health Care Plan (EHCP) are properly supported.

EHCP are reviewed annually with all parties involved.

We aim to ensure pupils with Special Education Needs are:

- identified and assessed as early as possible so support can be put in place
- have access to a broad balance of education
- encourage parents/carers to be actively involved and work in partnership with School
- liaise effectively with outside agencies as required





## Anti-bullying policy

Bullying is wrong and damages individual children. We do all we can to prevent it, by developing a school ethos in which bullying is regarded as unacceptable.

We aim, as a school, to produce a safe and secure environment where all can learn without anxiety. This policy aims to produce a consistent school response to any bullying incidents that may occur. We aim to make all those connected with the school aware of our opposition to bullying, and we make clear each person's responsibilities with regard to the eradication of bullying in our school.

## Safeguarding

All school staff have undertaken training in child protection. We have a number of designated Safeguarding leads and a Governor with responsibility for Safeguarding. We follow the guidance of 'Keeping Children Safe in Education' 2024.

The school will 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 follow safeguarding procedures and inform social care of their concerns.

## Extra-Curricular activities

We offer a wide range of extracurricular activities including after school clubs such as multi-sports, football, eco-warriors, computers, homework and craft.

We encourage our pupils to learn to play an instrument and have wonderful specialist teachers who come into school each week. We also take part in a range of sports competitions and tournaments.





## 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, and can view meal choices and account balance online. This operates via a biometric (finger scanning) process, improving efficiency and removing the need for cash.

Students entitled to free meals are allowed to purchase food to the value of a free school meal allowance daily. Students 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/](http://www.bccet.org.uk/chadwicks-kitchen/)





# 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.

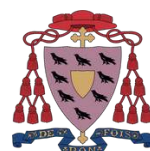
Our family of schools work closely together so that can pupils can flourish. As part of the Trust effective transition is supported by our close relationships, and pupils benefit from a shared, progressive curriculum and common expectations.



We have 30 schools  
in our Trust

11,495 pupils in our  
family of schools

1,338 staff in our  
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# Get in touch

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HERE**



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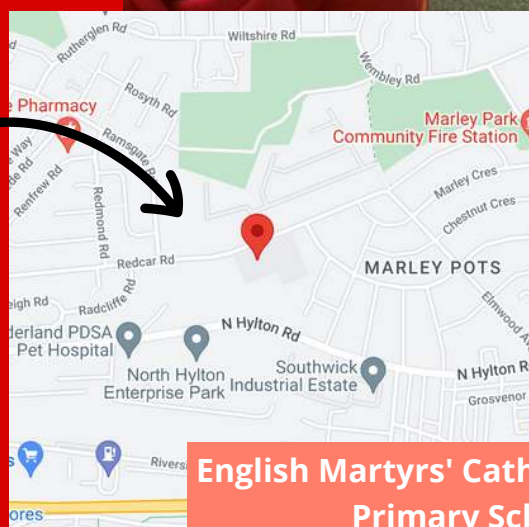
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