



St. George's  
Catholic School

*Inspired by Gospel Values to LEARN, ACHIEVE & EXCEL*

*Ofsted Outstanding*



“The executive headteacher, governors and other school leaders have the highest expectations for all students.” Ofsted

# Welcome

## to St George's School

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St George's Catholic School is the founder member of the Cardinal Hume Academies Trust (CHAT), established in 2012. We pride ourselves on our thriving, well-ordered and exciting Catholic learning community, educating boys and girls aged eleven to nineteen. We are committed to the highest level of achievement, providing opportunities for our pupils to succeed spiritually, morally and academically. The behaviour of our pupils is exemplary and disruption to lessons simply is not tolerated. We have first-rate facilities and resources, and relentlessly focus on securing effective teaching and learning. We have high expectations and our outstanding public examination results regularly place us in the top tier of schools nationally.

As an Ofsted 'Outstanding' school we aim to provide our young people with the literacy skills, numeracy skills, knowledge, self-esteem and confidence to become high-achievers in a dynamic global economy.

We expect and prepare our pupils to progress in to our thriving Sixth Form and then apply to university or take up employment.

Our traditional ethos is underpinned by the Gospel Values of serving others, charity, prayer and reconciliation. We welcome pupils of all faiths who wish to share in a Christian education strengthened by the teachings of the Catholic Church. We insist on the highest standards of personal conduct, presentation and place great emphasis upon the following:

- Each pupil's spiritual, moral and social development to give an understanding of the spiritual and religious dimension to human life
- Identifying, nurturing and monitoring individual talents and skills so that all children progress to their full potential
- Providing a secure, happy and purposeful learning environment in which the highest academic standards can be achieved and maintained
- Fostering a spirit of imagination and sensitivity through a range of creative and expressive experiences

Our greatest resource is our well-qualified and dedicated teaching and non-teaching staff who work creatively and professionally to give every pupil the chance to flourish. Our pupils tell us they feel supported and well-cared for.

I very much look forward to welcoming you to St George's and to your son or daughter joining our vibrant school community.

**Martin Tissot**  
Executive Headteacher



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**“The behaviour of pupils is outstanding. Students want to learn and enjoy their learning.” Ofsted**

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“As a result of outstanding teaching over time, students make excellent progress” Ofsted



## The Highest Quality of Teaching & Learning

Our unremitting efforts to ensure excellent teaching and learning is the foundation of our school's success. We are an 'Investor in People' at Gold Standard, and our staff are kept right up to date with topical developments and innovations. We believe in well-structured lessons, planned with an emphasis on pupil interaction and enjoyment. We use a variety of teaching approaches to ensure that we engage with every pupil's style of learning. Excellent teaching that provides pace, challenge and

opportunity, allows our pupils to develop their unique strengths, talents and skills. By the time pupils move into our Sixth Form, we aim that they should be confident, competent and self-reliant learners.

**“The quality of teaching is outstanding. Teachers challenge and motivate students.” Ofsted**

# A School with an Inspiring Curriculum

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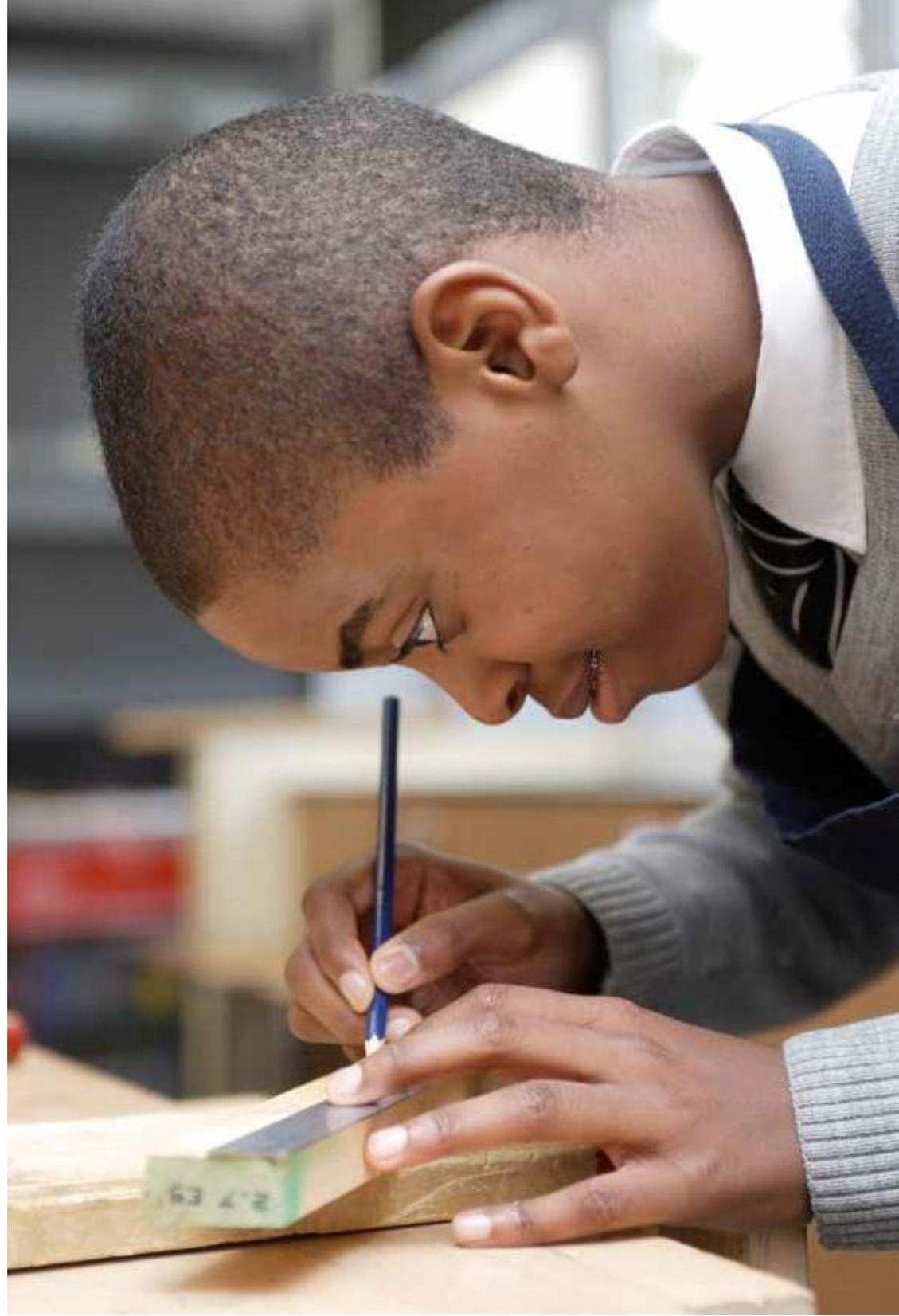
The St George's School curriculum is broad and balanced, suited to the needs of all learners. As well as traditional subjects we offer courses in Economics, Psychology, Media Studies, Sociology and Computer Science to name but a few. We also offer a range of vocational courses. Pupils are mainly taught in ability groups, allowing them to develop fully and realise their potential. Excellent teaching that provides pace, challenge and opportunities, allows our pupils to identify their strengths and interests.

Our Key Stage 4 curriculum include more traditional subjects. We encourage pupils to attain the English Baccalaureate. All pupils undertake

activities and courses designed to encourage them to be better, enlightened citizens with an understanding of British Values. Our Sixth Form curriculum is weighted towards traditional 'A' level subjects, although we offer some high quality, well- recognised vocational courses.

We have strong links with a host of businesses, including several large corporations. This brings us many advantages, including being able to offer our pupils and Sixth Form students mentoring support as well as meaningful and interesting work placements.

**“An exceptionally wide range of extra classes help students develop their skills and interests.” Ofsted**



## Caring & Professional Approaches to

# Pastoral Care

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**“The schools work to keep pupils safe and secure is outstanding” Ofsted**

St George’s School has a strong pastoral system supporting the progress of all pupils through a Form Tutor and Head of Year. We have sound and tested systems in place to support pupils of all abilities, and we closely monitor achievement and progress against challenging individual targets for improvement.

We value our close partnership with parents and encourage them to be actively involved with their child’s education at every opportunity. Great importance is attached to homework and all pupils have a Journal, in which homework is recorded, providing an important day-to-day link between home and school.

We promote a Catholicity that is not rooted wholly in the subject of Religious Education. Rather, the beliefs and values that form our ethos inspire and unify every aspect of school life.

Our Catholicity provides the context for and substantially shapes our pastoral curriculum. Mass is celebrated every Friday and our staff inspire, challenge and encourage pupils to discover and celebrate God’s presence in their own lives and to appreciate it in others.

**“The strong Catholic ethos is at the heart of everything the school does” Ofsted**

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“Students are exceptionally well prepared for the next stage in their education or for training and employment.” Ofsted

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## An Education for the

# Future

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We offer a huge range of extra-curriculum revision, learning and other programmes for all pupils. These include sporting, musical, artistic and technological clubs and societies. The school has a strong tradition in sporting and musical achievement with strong teams in football and basketball to name but two. Visits to theatres, art galleries and historical site are regularly organised. Pupils are encouraged to participate in a wide range of activities designed to make their lives more fulfilling and enjoyable. Many of these take place at lunchtime and after School. We also organise an annual trip to Lourdes, a ski trip, Duke of Edinburgh trips, field visits and a variety of study linked educational trips within Britain and abroad, with partner institutions.

We want our pupils to see St George’s as the first rung on the career ladder. We make sure that resources are available to help them make the right choices about the future. We have comprehensive careers programmes providing information and advice, support and encouragement as well as practical help with university applications. We are proud that students leave our school as outgoing and well-rounded young people, with a professional outlook and positive ideas for shaping their future lives.

**“Students receive very high quality care, guidance and support.” Ofsted**



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