



St Paul's
CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Welcome Back

September 2026

Prayer

Heavenly Father,

We give you thanks for the opportunity to join together as a community at the start of this new year. Thank you for each individual who comes together to make our school such a special place. We pray that the classrooms and social spaces are a place where love, joy, kindness, gentleness and self-control flourish. Help us to treat each other with dignity and respect at all times. Support us to work together in solidarity and peace, so that our community, and everyone within it, can Love, Serve and Do the Best that is Possible.

Amen



Mission Statement

Ministerium Tuum Imple (2 Tim 4:5)

Love | Serve | Do the best that is possible

St. Paul wrote these words to the disciple Timothy when he was in prison at the end of his life. He passed on his mission, as a follower of Jesus Christ, to Timothy and to us. We are called to be a community where Christ is present and is taken to others. We receive the gift of God's love and grace and share in His mission of following Christ's example by:

- Being a community in which our **LOVE** of God and **LOVE** of each other can be seen in everything we do;
- Using our gifts and talents to **SERVE** others, particularly those who are more vulnerable;
- Being determined to **DO THE BEST THAT IS POSSIBLE** in everything we do to enable us to fulfil our ministry.



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Living the Mission at St. Paul's



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Catholic Social Teaching and Gifts we Grow

Human Dignity



All life is unique and should be respected. We are all equal in God's eyes.

"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you"
Jeremiah 1:5

THE GIFTS WE GROW: Prophetic and intentional

Solidarity & Peace



We are all one family and are stronger together.

"So far as you did this to the least of the brothers you did it to me"
Matthew 25:40

THE GIFTS WE GROW: Attentive and discerning

"Love one another as I have loved you"

John 13:34

The Common Good



We should be active in our community - we need to know what is right for everyone not just ourselves.

"So we, who are many are one body in Christ"
Romans 12:5

THE GIFTS WE GROW: Loving and compassionate

Option for the Poor



We should give extra help to the poor and vulnerable.

"He has sent me to bring good news to the poor"
Luke 4:18

THE GIFTS WE GROW: Hopeful and faith filled

Care for our Common Home



We are stewards of God's creation and must care for our planet.

"God settled him in the Garden of Eden, to cultivate and care for it"
Genesis 2:15

THE GIFTS WE GROW: Curious and active

Rights & Responsibilities



Everyone has the right to life and the responsibility to respect others.

"You shall love your neighbour as yourself"
Mark 12:31

THE GIFTS WE GROW: Eloquent and truthful

Dignity of Work



All work is valued and provides a sense of purpose and dignity. All workers should be equally respected.

"You are all one in Christ"
Galatians 3:28

THE GIFTS WE GROW: Generous and grateful



The Cornerstones of Pastoral Care at St. Paul's

- Parable of the Mustard Seed (Matthew 13: 31-32)
- Parable of the Sower (Matthew 13: 1-9, 18-23)
- Watchfulness (Luke 12:48)
- Parable of the 10 virgins (Matthew 25:1-9)
- Eye of a needle (Matthew 19:24)

We have a responsibility to strive to be the very best versions of ourselves for God and for others.

- The Creation (Genesis 1:27)
- Zacchaeus the Tax Collector (Luke 19:1-10)
- Jesus cleanses a leper (Mark 1: 40-45)
- The Beatitudes (Matthew 5: 1-12)

We must always promote inclusion, celebrate diversity and educate all to treat others with dignity & respect, recognising that we are all unique and made in God's image.

Christ at the Centre, helping us to Love, Serve & Do the best that is possible

- The Parable of the Prodigal Son (Luke 15:11-32)
- Forgive Seventy-Seven times (Matthew 18: 21-22)
- Jesus Forgives (John 8: 1-11)
- Jesus Forgives on the Cross (John 23: 33-34)
- Road to Damascus (Acts:9)

We must always commit to the Gospel value of forgiveness, offering a fresh start when the wrong choice has been made.

We must always meet people where they are at, welcoming them and understanding their lived experience. We must always offer love, care & guidance before sanction.

- The Parable of the Lost Coin (Luke 15: 8-10)
- The Parable of the Lost Sheep (Matthew 18:10-14)
- Jesus at Calvary (John 19: 26-27)
- The Road to Emmaus (Luke 24: 13-35)
- Jesus eats with a sinner (Mark 2: 13-17)
- Nicodemus (John 3: 1-21)

- Parable of the Mustard Seed (Matthew 13: 31-32)
- The Parable of the Talents (Matthew 25: 14-30)
- Leadership with Service (Mark 10: 41-45)
- Lamp under a bush (Matthew 5:14-16)

We have a responsibility to serve other people by using our gifts & talents for the benefit of others.

We have God's love given freely to us. We must share that same love with others, especially the most vulnerable.

- The Greatest Commandment of them all (Mark 12: 28-34)
- The mission to the world (Matthew 28: 16-20)
- Washing of feet (John 13: 1-17)



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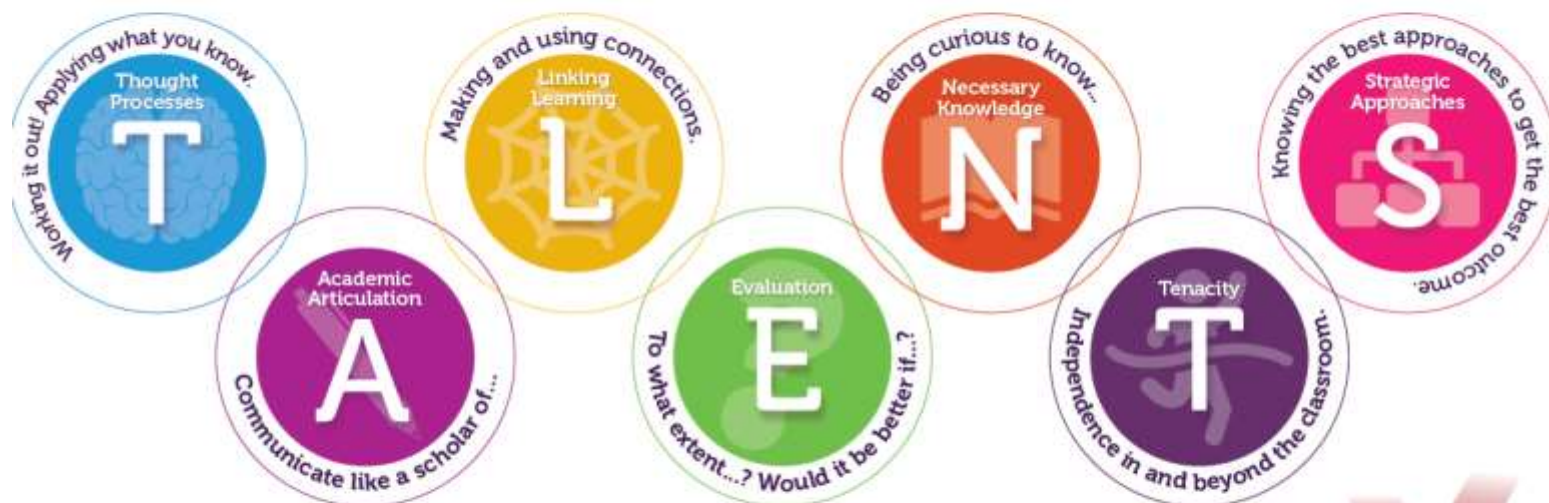
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Key Priorities For Our School

Everyone needs to be committed to:

- **Take responsibility for their own learning through thinking hard.**
- **Take responsibility for their own behaviour by making good decisions.**

Developing Thinking Hard with the Learning...



Ministerium: Team Spirit Love|Serve|Do the best that is possible



To ensure
that you
live out our
Catholic
Mission
you will:



At St. Paul's
you will take
responsibility
for your own
behaviour by
making the
right decisions.

Our Catholic Mission at St. Paul's



RELATE

Deliberately
initiate
**positive
interactions**

Choose
communication
which
preserves
dignity

Follow the
routines of
the classroom
environment
for everyone's
benefit

Intentionally
point out
the **positives**



RESET

**Respond
positively** to
both praise
and
correction

Ensure that
you are **silent**
during whole
class listening
activities

Use strategies
to support
**self-
regulation**

**Accept formal
warning or
sanctions** when
you have
made the
wrong
decision



RECONCILE

**Accept and offer
forgiveness and
reconciliation**
for a fresh
start when
needed

**Respond
positively**
to the
reconciliation
meeting
following
reflection

Behave in
a way that
promotes
belonging
in our
community

Approach
every interaction
by modelling
and
**promoting our
Mission
Statement**

**To ensure
Academic
Excellence
at St. Paul's
you will:**



**At St. Paul's
you will take
responsibility
for your own
learning by
thinking hard.**

Academic Excellence at St. Paul's



CONNECT

**Actively
learn** from
the moment
you enter
the room

**Listen
carefully**
to the
learning
intention

Deliberately
**develop
your
vocabulary**

**Use resources
and strategies**
to support
your
learning



CHALLENGE

**Be
prepared and
respond** to
challenging
questions

**Participate
fully** in
classroom
talk that is
focused on
learning

Be absorbed
in **practice
to improve**
and embed
your
learning

Use your
**Learning
Talents**
to develop your
scholarship



CHECK

**Demonstrate
your thinking
and learning**
at every
opportunity

**Respond
positively** to
the support
you are
given in
lessons

**Actively
participate**
during
live
marking

Respond to
developmental
feedback

The Culture of Our Community

"Let all that you do be
done in love."

1 Corinthians 16:14

