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Welcome

from the Headteacher

Sacred Heart Catholic Academy is a very special Catholic community of which we are incredibly proud. We celebrate diversity and believe strongly in providing a climate where all young people thrive. We pride ourselves on our high expectations and high standards.

The transition from primary school to secondary school is a big step in the life of any child. We're here to ensure that the transition is as smooth as possible, and all children begin their Sacred Heart journey with confidence.

We expect all pupils to work hard and aim high in order to succeed academically and personally. With the support of our highly skilled staff, we are proud of what our pupils achieve and are aware that we will only continue to be successful if we can fully involve and work with our parents and carers.

We recognise that our pupils have different interests, dreams, abilities and needs, which is reflected in our school's broad and flexible curriculum. Our staff are committed to ensuring

that all pupils achieve their full potential, regardless of their starting points. Our curriculum extends beyond the classroom with our pupils also enjoying a wide range of extra curricular opportunities.

Over the next seven years, your child will develop into a young adult, and during that time they will begin to understand their place in our world and what a wonderful contribution they make to it. Our staff here at Sacred Heart Catholic Academy will accompany pupils and their families on this journey.

I am honoured to be the Headteacher of Sacred Heart Catholic Academy. I look forward to welcoming you and your family into our special community.



Mark O'Hagan
Mark O'Hagan, Headteacher

Our Vision

'Aspire not to have more, but to be more'
- St Oscar Romero

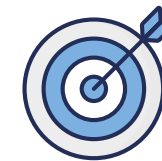
Our Mission

Our Mission, inspired by Jesus Christ, is that Sacred Heart Catholic Academy fosters a nurturing environment where Gospel values are lived out through every aspect of academic, social, and spiritual growth.

Our Values



Love



Ambition



Service



Respect

Our Curriculum

At Sacred Heart Catholic Academy, we have designed a curriculum which supports all pupils to flourish and achieve excellence, irrespective of their starting points. At the heart of the curriculum is our pupils. We recognise that each of our pupils have their own gifts and talents, and our curriculum seeks to develop a depth of knowledge, tailored to each pupil, in order that they can be successful in the varied careers they will enjoy.

During Years 7, 8 and 9 our pupils study a wide range of subjects which follow the national curriculum. The curriculum in Years 10 and 11 offers a breadth of subjects and qualifications matched to local and global employment markets and the interests of our pupils.

We offer a range of GCSE and vocational qualifications to meet the needs of all pupils.

Inclusion is at the heart of all we do at Sacred Heart Catholic Academy, with every child being supported to access the full range of subjects, irrespective of any special educational need or disability. To support depth in the design of our curriculum, all pupils will be exposed to enriching experiences in their chosen subject areas, alongside bespoke careers advice and guidance throughout Years 10 and 11.



“My son really enjoyed his visit and is so very excited at the thought of starting Sacred Heart in September. As you can appreciate, we are anxious to make this transition go as smoothly as possible... [you have] given us comfort in knowing we have chosen the right school for him.”

Inclusion

We pride ourselves on being a truly inclusive school. We go the extra mile to support all pupils who have Special Educational Needs and Disabilities and those new to English, to make sure that they are successful in our school.

All staff in school prioritise support for pupils with additional needs. We have a very experienced team of learning support assistants and teachers who support students with a wide range of needs each lesson. We also have a highly skilled group of non-teaching staff, including Pastoral Year Heads who are trained and skilled in delivering a variety of interventions to support a range of needs.

Through carefully planned transition with our primary schools, we make sure that we are able to support pupils when they

join our school to ensure that they become independent in their learning and in their social interactions.

In addition, we offer tailored interventions to focus on skills that students may need support with such as literacy, numeracy, communication and many others. If your child is new to English, we have an experienced team of staff who can help to ensure that they settle in school.

We welcome all students and provide nurturing support for every child that attends our school.

For any queries please contact:
Mrs McIntosh – SENCO
Mrs McNicol – Assistant SENCO.



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“The care and attention your wonderful staff have taken [has ensured] our son has had a seamless transition from junior to secondary education... He’s [now] a confident, maturing and independent young man who has benefitted hugely from the stable, happy and secure environment you have provided for him.”

Extra Curricular

At Sacred Heart Catholic Academy, we believe that learning isn't confined to a classroom environment, in fact some of your child's most formative experiences in school will happen outside of the classroom. All pupils in our school will have many opportunities to access experiences outside of the classroom which will compliment the taught curriculum. This year, we will be running a number of overseas trips including Disneyland Paris, Skiing in Salzberg, Poland – Auschwitz and Krakow and our pilgrimage to Lourdes.

Alongside international trips, pupils will also have opportunities nationally and locally to experience culture, theatre, sporting events and much more.

Additionally, all pupils are actively encouraged to make a positive contribution to our community by:



Taking part in assemblies



Taking part in leadership activities



Taking part in competitions



Joining the choir or music groups



Taking part in inter-form competitions



Completing reading challenges



Joining in with charity events



Joining a range of clubs both at lunch and after school.

As our pupils progress through the school, we support them to develop as well-rounded individuals ready to take their place in the world and contribute to society.



Personal Development

We place huge emphasis on developing the whole child at Sacred Heart. That is why we devote dedicated curriculum time to the teaching of Personal, Social, Health and Economic Education. During these lessons, pupils learn about topics such as mental and physical health, careers, employability skills and healthy relationships. Our curriculum develops the knowledge, skills and attributes that pupils will need to manage their lives - now and in the future. It helps them to stay safe, healthy and to be prepared for life's challenges and opportunities in modern Britain.

To compliment this aspect of our curriculum, we also provide our pupils with a wide range of opportunities to experience trips, Personal Development Days, work experience, careers and visits to higher education.

We work with a range of high-quality external agencies such as the Duke of Edinburgh's Award, as well as the National Citizen Service, LFC Foundation, Everton in the community and local and national businesses.

This is further supported through an enriching form time programme where students have an assembly as well as Collective Worship and Daily Prayer.



“Our pupils have access to varied experiences outside the classroom that help them to develop life skills. For example, our overseas trips this year include Skiing in Salzberg, touring Auschwitz and Krakow, our pilgrimage to Lourdes, and visiting Disneyland Paris”





Rewards & Celebration

We believe in the importance of recognising our pupils' successes and celebrating their achievements.



Postcards

Our Sacred Heart postcards are given to reward pupils to recognise daily achievements in class, for giving their best efforts, and demonstrating school values.



Excellence Award

To achieve this award, pupils must demonstrate academic excellence within a piece of work or project; they receive stickers in their exercise books and a certificate is sent home, this award can be allocated against success criteria.



Community Hero

Launched for efforts in fundraising during Lent, for this special award staff nominate those going above and beyond to act as Jesus taught us.

The School Day

Period 1	08:40 – 09:38
Period 2	09:38 – 10:36
Registration	10.36 - 11.06
Break	11:06 – 11:21
Period 3	11:21 – 12:19
Period 4	12:19 – 1:17
Lunch	1:17 – 1:47
Period 5	1:47 – 2:45

School Clubs

SHCA offer a wide range of clubs at lunch or after school, ranging from sports, music and drama to chess, bicycle maintenance and much more. If your child has a particular interest and can't see a club to support it, we encourage them to speak with their year teams so that we can develop new clubs.

Extra Curricular

We know that our pupils highly value the variety of opportunity provided to get involved in activities like singing, chess, sports, and so much more - honing academic skills and building character in sessions run at lunchtime or after school. We also make sure that pupils can attend extra sessions to review homework or prepare for exams where they would find this helpful.

Through these activities, we cultivate a nurturing environment of love, foster a culture of respect, encourage a spirit of service, and inspire ambition in every student. See sacredheartcatholicacademy.org/Learning/Extra-Curricular/ for our timetable of clubs each term.



Our Uniform

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- Navy school blazer with blue piping and school badge
- School tie, worn long
- Full length grey trousers
- Grey knee-length skirt
- Pale blue shirt or revere collar blouse – tucked in at all times
- Black school shoes – no trainers, boots or high heels
- Optional: Plain navy v-neck jumper

Blazers must be worn at all times. No coats or jackets should be worn inside the school building.

A appropriately sized school bag, able to hold an A4 folder, must be brought to school every day.

Please see our website for a list of places where you can buy branded items. All non-branded items are available through supermarkets and other retailers.

PE Kit

- Plain navy t-shirt
- Navy shorts
- Plain white sport socks
- Trainers suitable for PE
- Optional items include:
 - Badged t-shirt / hoodie
 - Plain navy hoodie
 - Plain navy tracksuit bottoms
 - Plain sports leggings

All plain items must be free from logos, branding or decorative designs

Hair, makeup and jewellery

- Hair colour should be natural and hair styled appropriately. This includes being able to tie up long hair for practical lessons.
- Natural looking makeup only and no nail varnish, BIAB, shellac or acrylic nails.
- One pair of plain stud earrings may be worn in the lower lobe. No facial piercings are permitted.



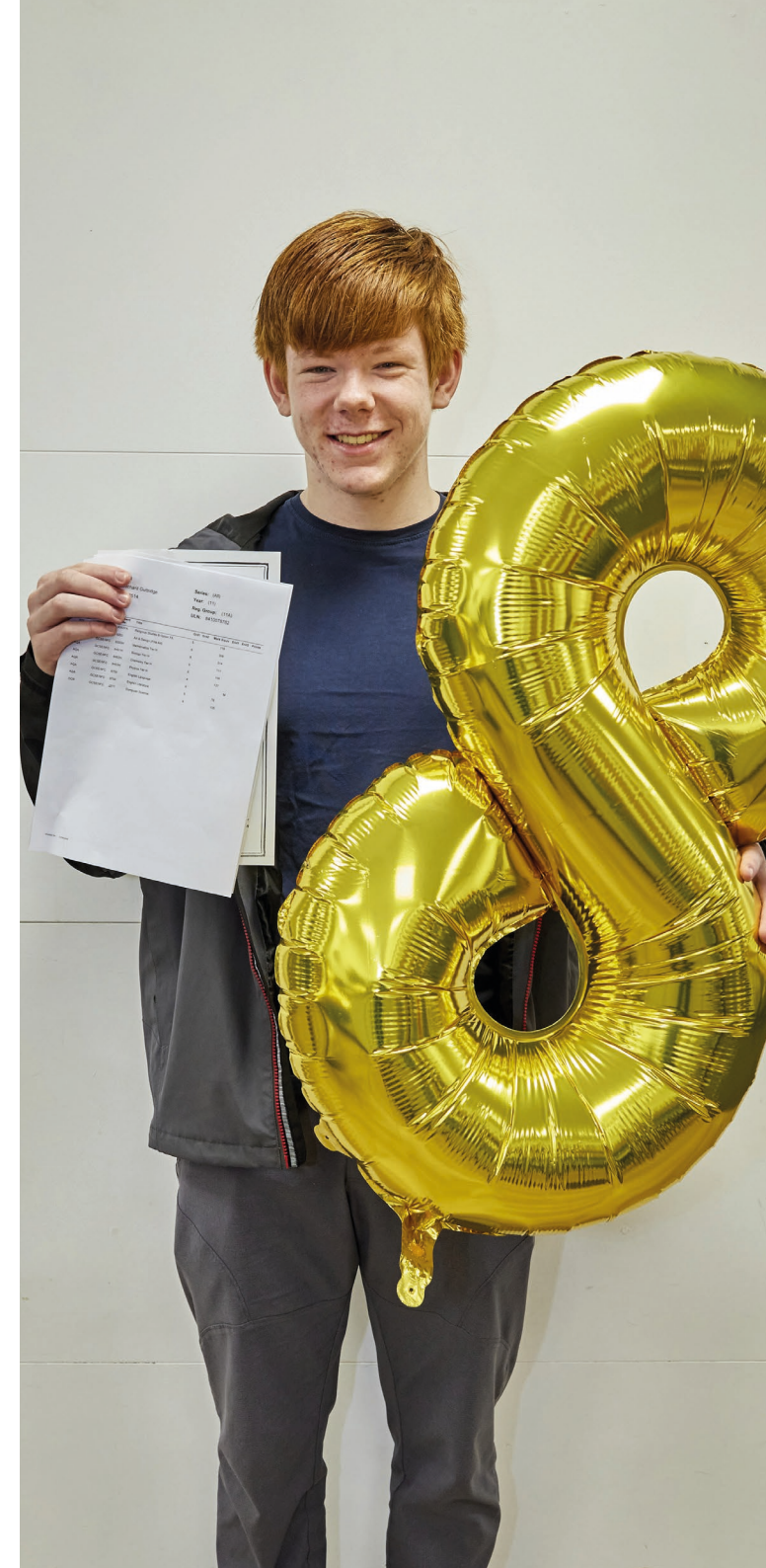


Achieve More

At Sacred Heart, our values of Love, Ambition, Service and Respect mean that all our pupils achieve highly and are supported to make progress across the curriculum and in their personal development. A Level and GCSE results days are a fantastic example of the spirit of our school and an opportunity for us to celebrate that excellence.

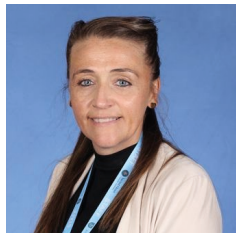
As new students in Year 7, we want you to know that we support our students to achieve their dreams – whether that is studying academic subjects through A Level and on to a top university, or taking on a range of subjects that will later help you to specialise in a technical apprenticeship.

This year, students received an excellent set of GCSE results that saw grades soar past previous years' achievements with nearly 70% of all students taking home 9-5s in English and Maths, and a notable increase in the number of students achieving 9-4s from the previous year.

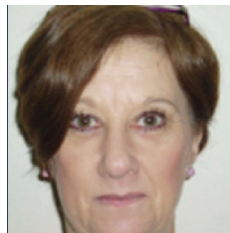


Safeguarding

At Sacred Heart, safeguarding and promoting the welfare of our young people is everyone's responsibility. This means protecting pupils from maltreatment, any impairment of mental/physical health or development, the provision of safe and effective care and enabling the best outcomes for all pupils. Our key contacts for any safeguarding concerns are:



Ms Holt
Designated Safeguarding Lead
m.holt@shca.pfcmat.org



Mrs McNicol
Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead
k.mcnicol@shca.pfcmat.org



Mr O'Hagan
Headteacher
m.ohagan@shca.pfcmat.org



Miss McQueen
Assistant Headteacher
s.mcqueen@shca.pfcmat.org



Mr Roberts
Assistant Headteacher
j.roberts@shca.pfcmat.org



“My daughter, Year 5 at Ursuline Primary School, and I had a wonderful tour of school. The atmosphere far surpassed my expectations and staff were friendly, complementary and eager to make a fuss of my child.”



How to apply

Choosing the right school to move into secondary education is a very important decision, and our staff are delighted to help everyone considering becoming part of the Sacred Heart Catholic Academy to gather the right information to make the best decision for your family.

We look forward to speaking to you, answering your questions and showing you the opportunities open to every pupil at SHCA.

The most important aspect of getting to know any school is to come along and see us in action, and our reception team will be delighted to set this up for you.

Throughout the admissions process, our team are there to support you - to arrange time to come and see school and relevant senior staff, to register you to attend our Open Evening or invite you to one of our school events. If you have any questions at all about life at our school or the admissions process, please do not hesitate to call us on **0151 931 2971**, or email the team at **admin@shca.pfcmat.org**.



Summer Term

- Y5 Stem Days
- Crosby Cluster Concert (music and dance)



Spring Term

- Places offered
- Contact from school
- Welcome packs shared



Autumn Term

- Research
- Open Evening
- Y6 Writing Workshops



Summer Term

- Enhanced Transition
- Sefton Transition
- Summer School



Join us
Start of September 2027





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