

Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Primary School

Love, Live and Learn as Jesus Taught Us



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Dear Parents,

DENOMINATIONAL INSPECTION REPORT 2022

It gives me great pleasure to enclose a copy of our school's report from the most recent Diocesan Denominational Inspection which was held on the 25th and 26th May.

Inspectors found the school to be GOOD in all three areas – Catholic Life of the School, Religious Education and Prayer Life of the School.

It is gratifying to see the excellent calibre of our entire teaching and non-teaching staff team commended in their enthusiasm and commitment, provision for teaching and inclusion, and as positive role models.

'Pupils see staff as role models, one pupil saying, "We trust the staff." Relationships are positive and supportive, and pupils value the work staff do.' (page 5)

It is wonderful to see our pupils credited –

'Pupils' behaviour is exemplary, and they take the need to treat each other with respect seriously. One pupil saying, "Everyone is welcome here" and from another, "Everyone is there for each other".' (page 4)

A recurring theme throughout the report is the strength of School / Parent / Parish Community and our joint commitment to nurturing our shared Mission...Ethos...Values at Our Lady of Lourdes school. As you know, the school has worked on this for some time, which only strengthened further during the challenging period of COVID lockdowns...

'The Mission Statement is a lived reality'. (page 4)

The inspectors commented on a significantly positive response to the Inspection Parent Survey. You also referred to 'a supportive atmosphere' and 'community feel'. To those parents who took the time to complete and return this, and indeed, to all families who work so closely as partners and members of our school community – a sincere thank you.

'The Governing Body and the whole school community is committed to developing and improving the Catholic life of the school.' (page 2)

This does not mean that we can afford to be complacent. Governors, leaders and all staff will continue to seek out and consolidate the best possible opportunities in which our pupils can continue to flourish.

Thank you for your ongoing support and wishing you a happy and healthy final few weeks of the academic year,

Yours sincerely,

Mrs. J. Curran Chair of Governors