



The highest standards of care and education for children from 3 to 11 years of age.

3-16 Mixed Catholic Academy

21st Century Building and ICT equipment

High Quality Education

Full Time Nursery

Specialist Teaching at Primary Level

Specialism in Business and Enterprise

Developing intellectual, creative, physical and social life skills.

Primary Phase Parent Information



Let your light shine

Home-School partnership

We value greatly the partnership between Home and School. Parents and teachers together play an important role in educating children and need to support each other in order for children to benefit fully from their education. We welcome parents into School and appreciate all offers of help. Parents will work alongside staff and children in a variety of roles including student reading, assisting on school excursions. The relationship between staff and parents is open and friendly. Communication is regular and occurs in formal situations such as Parent meetings and Parent/Teacher consultations and during informal situations such as a brief chat at the end of the day.

*Successful Learners
Confident Individuals
Responsible Citizens*

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**A World Class Curriculum
for a 21st Century School.**

A Primary School within a whole school environment

Opening in September 2007 the St. Matthew Academy Primary Phase provides the highest standards of care and education for children from 3 to 11 years of age.

Research shows that the progress of many children often stalls or regresses as they transfer from one school to another at the age of eleven. The St. Matthew Academy caters for children of all ages; providing continuity and progression in curriculum and pastoral care.

We provide powerful opportunities to overcome many of the obstacles associated with the traditional forms of primary and secondary school organization.

Students are taught in a stimulating school environment where they use sophisticated information and communications technology to assist in the research and presentation of many aspects of their work. They are encouraged to plan and perform tasks that involve investigating, observing and reporting. Exciting and interesting fieldwork and excursions extend their learning beyond the walls of the classroom.

All primary children have a class teacher who teaches them for most of their programme. They also benefit increasingly from studies taught by teachers who are specialists, for example, in information and communication technology, art, music, French and physical education as they move through their primary years. This specialist teaching enriches and enlarges their learning and helps them to develop their talents to the full utilizing out state of the art resources.

Age 3 to 5 years Early Years Foundation Stage

The Early Years Foundation Stage of the Academy consists of the Nursery and Reception classes. Children follow a learning day based on the Early Learning Goals which provide a seamless link to Years One and Two where learning is based on the National Curriculum. The Early Learning Goals cover the following areas and aim to develop the whole child at a pace that is suitable for each:

Citizenship including Personal, Social and Emotional Development	Knowledge and understanding of the world Physical Development
Language and Literacy	Creative Development
Mathematical Development	Spiritual Development

The Curriculum 6-11 years

The Junior phase will offer a broad curriculum spanning some 12 subjects. Children will study these as individual subjects and through integrated and topic work, ensuring both depth of knowledge and an understanding of the inter-relatedness and transferability of knowledge and concepts.

English	History
Mathematics	Physical Education
Science	Art
Information and Communication Technology	Music
Design Technology	Foreign Languages (Years 3-6)
Religious Studies	Citizenship including Personal, Social and Health Education
Geography	Enterprise Education

Education Extra

The Primary after school activities programme offers students from Year 1 upwards the opportunity to take part in a variety of activities. The promotion of essential physical and personal skills including social, communication, cooperation and problem solving skills form the focus of the Education Extra activities programme.

Parent & Friends Group

The St. Matthew Academy Parent and Friends Group is an informal, voluntary group whose purpose is to provide support for students, parents and staff, develop a hospitable environment at St. Matthew Academy and provide opportunities for social interaction between students, parents and staff.

How to Apply:

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*A vision of tomorrow
St Matthew Academy is one of a kind.
A new breed of Catholic school
purpose built for the 21st century.
And we're on a mission to release the hidden talents
of every single student who comes through our doors!*

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