



Headteacher's Welcome

I am delighted to welcome you and your child to our school.

St Joseph's Park Hill offers an outstanding education to children from the age of 3 to 11 years.

We are a Roman Catholic School owned by the Institute of Our Lady of Mercy, and our Christian ethos is simple and tangible. The school is a happy, vibrant and positive environment where children are safe, nurtured and loved. The children are taught to "Love One Another" and that each of them is unique and loved by God.

Learning opportunities at Park Hill are broad, balanced and exciting. We promote academic success and believe wholeheartedly in the education of the whole child. We encourage hard work and value effort. Our school motto is SINE FINIBUS (Without limits) and we teach your child that they can achieve anything if they work hard and want to succeed.

Your child will be nurtured and taught by a dedicated and enthusiastic team of staff who will inspire them to aim for excellence whilst developing a growth mindset. We seek, through our bespoke curriculum and varied extra-curricular clubs, to allow our pupils to have opportunities to develop as all-rounders, and foster in them a lifelong love of learning.

Our pupils are our best ambassadors and they talk with joy and pride about our school. When you step through our doors, you will be met by the warmth, happiness, care and kindness that resonates in our school family.

Choosing the right school is one of the most important decisions that you will make for your child. Choosing Park Hill means that you have chosen to give your child the best possible start in life.

I very much look forward to getting to know you and your child over the coming years.

Best wishes,

Maria Whitehead

VALUES, AIMS and VISION

MISSION STATEMENT

We prepare our children for the challenges of the future in a nurturing and stimulating environment built on Catholic foundations.

VALUES

At St Joseph's Park Hill we value the unique individuality of every child and every child is valued and recognised as a child of God.

Following the example of our Foundress Catherine McAuley, we place great importance on the need for tolerance and understanding and concern for others.

We teach our children to follow the example of St Joseph whose values are humility, gentleness and patience.

We value respect and we teach our pupils the importance of having respect for their parents, for their teachers, for each other, for God's creation and for themselves.

We have a strong belief in the traditional values of hard work, courtesy and good behaviour.

We value friendship and forgiveness and our children are taught to "LOVE ONE ANOTHER"

AIMS

We aim to provide the highest quality of teaching and learning for all our children.

We aim to provide an environment where children are respectful to each other, to the staff and to themselves.

We aim to provide opportunities for our children to develop spiritually, acquiring an appreciation of their own and others faiths, cultures and beliefs.

We aim to provide an environment where our children are happy and feel safe from bullying and discrimination.

We aim to provide a happy, caring environment where success is celebrated and hard work rewarded.

We aim to develop the knowledge, understanding and skills necessary for our children to enter the next phase of their education with confidence and motivation.

We aim to encourage our children to be aware of the needs of others in this country and around the world.

We aim to provide an environment where children are free to express themselves and to want to learn.

We aim to build an inclusive community where all are valued.

VISION

At St Joseph's Park Hill our vision is that each precious child that comes to us will be taught values which will ensure that when they leave us:

- They are respectful of others, acknowledging that the world is a diverse place, created by God
- They are motivated to learn and have the confidence to believe that they can achieve anything if they work hard and believe in themselves
- They have the essential skills to take their place in an ever changing world
- They are enthusiastic and hopeful about their future
- They have the values that lead them to ask not "What do I want to be when I grow up?" but "What kind of person do I want to be when I grow up?"

Mission Statement

Pre-school

Pre-school motto is the rainbow. This appears on the Pre-school uniform.



We teach and encourage our children to :

Care for ourselves
Care for each other
and
Care for our Pre-school

St Joseph's Park Hill School

Policies

As well as the School Prospectus the following is a list of information available to you. The items indicated with * can be found on our school website at www.parkhillschool.co.uk.

Should you wish to obtain copies of the other documents or you wish any of them in hard copy, please contact the school office.

- Policy and arrangements for Admissions *
- Discipline and Exclusions *(included in the Behaviour Management Policy)
- Education and welfare provision for pupils with Special Needs *(Special Educational Needs and Disability Policy)
- Policy for pupils for whom English is an additional Language* (included in the Language Policy)
- Curriculum Policy *
- Anti-Bullying Policy *
- Health and Safety on School Visits Policy *(included in Health & Safety Policy)
- Rewards and Sanctions * (included in the Behaviour Management Policy)
- Academic Performance in previous school year *
- Complaints Procedure * / Number of formal complaints that have been registered in previous school year
- A list of staff *
- Safeguarding Policy *

Application Form

Full name of child.....

Date of birth..... Tel. No.

Preferred date of admission..... to Pre-school/School (please delete)

Name of mother/guardian.....

Name of father/guardian.....

Address.....

.....Post Code.....

E-Mail

Religion of child..... Baptised Yes/No (please delete)

Religion of mother.....Religion of father

Ethnicity (Please tick)

White British White Eastern European Black/Black British

White Irish Asian/Asian British Chinese

Other ethnic group

First language of Child..... Language spoken at home.....

Present school/pre-school attended.....

Sessions Required (Pre-school only)

Full time

Mornings (Please specify days).....

Afternoons (Please specify days).....

I enclose the non- refundable registration fee of £100 (school applications only).

Signed..... Date:.....

Curriculum

St. Joseph's Park Hill aims to prepare children for the academic challenges of the future. Staff expectations are high.

We teach a skills-based curriculum with a strong emphasis on Maths and English, ensuring that each child has a firm foundation in these core subjects. All children take part in Music, Spanish, Dance, Games and P.E., Drama and Computing lessons which are taught by specialist teachers. Year 3 have a swimming lesson each week.

Sport is a particular strength of our curriculum. All children have access to a variety of sports and compete in numerous fixtures and tournaments throughout the year.

On entering the junior school, the curriculum is widened to include instrumental tuition. Children in the Upper Juniors are prepared for the English Speaking Board Examination, while children in the Lower Juniors take the Vanguard Examination. Children are prepared for entrance examinations to Independent and Grammar Schools.

Religious Education is taught to all children in every class. Catholic children in Year 3 are prepared for the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Confirmation and Eucharist. Children who are not Roman Catholics are encouraged to share their faith and explain their beliefs and customs to us. Children are taught to respect all religions.

The children's progress is monitored throughout the school with half-termly informal assessments. Formal summative assessment are carried out annually in May and these provide standardised data to compare to national results. Assessment enables teachers to plan effectively and set individual targets for children. Children are given support either in the classroom or within small groups as and when necessary. Booster and extension work is carried out in small groups depending on ability.

Children for whom English is a second language are accepted at the school. These children are given support within the classroom and are also withdrawn for individual help as necessary.

Results of academic performance for the preceding year are published on our website.

Early Years Foundation Stage

Our Pre-school School opened in 2002. Children may join when they reach the age of three.

Children up to the age of 5 follow the Early Years Foundation Stage Curriculum. This includes Creative Development; Physical Development; Problem, Solving, Reasoning and Numeracy; Personal, Social and Emotional Development; Communication, Language and Literacy and Knowledge and Understanding of the World. The children experience a variety of focussed adult-led activities and practical activities which enable them to achieve their goals within a specific curriculum area. This includes all children in the Pre-school (aged 3 – 4) and Reception Class (aged 4 – 5).

Dance and P.E. lessons take place once a week. School has a Before and After School Club which Pre-school children can attend as and when required.

Early Years Foundation Stage policies and procedures can be seen on request. Children may partake of induction sessions before joining. This is arranged with the School Business Manager. Parents may stay with the children during these sessions to help them to settle.

Before & After School Club

The club is held in the school. Drinks and snacks are provided. Toys, books, games and other varied activities are available, and in fine weather the playground is used for ball games. Children have the opportunity to do their homework if they wish.

Children may attend on a regular or occasional basis. Arrangements may be made through the office or directly with the supervisor at the club. Accounts will be sent out monthly for the sessions attended.

Morning Session

This begins at 7.30am. Any child arriving at school prior to 8.30 am is required to go into the Dining Room where they will be supervised, breakfast is included. The cost of this session is:

7.30 – 8.30 am £5.35

8.00 – 8.30 am £4.25

Afternoon Session

This runs from 3.30pm – 5:30pm. Any child who is not collected will go to the After School club based in the Dining room. Children may be collected at any time, but no later than 5.30pm. The cost of the sessions is: £5.35 per hour attended or £10.70 until 5:30pm.

Contact Details

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School Fees 2024 / 2025

Key Stage 1 and 2	Annual Fees	£8457.75
	Termly Payment	£2819.25
	Monthly Payment	£704.82

Payment Methods

Termly – Invoices are due the first week of term.

Monthly – The majority of our parents choose to pay monthly by Standing Order. Fees for the year are paid over twelve months, commencing in August.

It may be possible to make alternative arrangements for paying fees. This must be discussed with the School Business Manager in advance.

Pre-school Fees

Full Day including lunch £49	8:30am - 3:30pm
Morning session including lunch £29	8:30am – 12:30pm
Afternoon session excluding lunch £26	12:30pm – 3:30pm

Lunches charged at £2.75 per day
Dance charged at £3.00 per week.

All children from the term after they turn 3 are entitled to 15 funded hours. If parents are eligible for the additional 15 funded hours these will be accepted also. Funded hours may be redeemed between 9am – 3pm each day.

Times outside of the funded hours will be charged at:

£4.75 per half hour 8:30am – 9am and 3pm – 3:30pm.