



ST PETER'S CATHOLIC COLLEGE



2024-2025 PROSPECTUS

One Faith | One Family | One Future



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OFSTED 2022

Ofsted have recognised 'there is a vision, shared by all staff, to provide a high-quality curriculum for all pupils. This vision is being realised. It is making a positive difference to pupils' education'.

CATHOLIC INSPECTION 2023

Leaders and governors are true guardians of the Catholic life and mission at St Peter's. They have a shared passion and strategic vision which has led to the creation of a beacon of hope for so many in the community



WELCOME FROM THE HEADTEACHER

I am honoured to lead a school with such a proud history, that is at the heart of its community

St Peter's Catholic College is rated "Good" in every Ofsted category and our Catholic mission is graded "Outstanding". My philosophy is simple, I want to ensure every child receives first class teaching and learning throughout their time at St Peter's so they can reach their potential and unlock any doors in the future. We want our classrooms to be vibrant, full of engaged learners who are challenged to look beyond their comfort zone, within a school environment that fosters a love of learning. As well as providing a broad and balanced curriculum we offer extensive additional opportunities for children to develop their interests and skills and experience the world around them. As a Catholic school, Christ is at the heart of everything we do. We want all of our pupils to live out the mission statement of the school and develop and celebrate their God given talents. Our outstanding pastoral care continues to nurture and foster positive relationships to ensure pupils emerge as dynamic individuals who are well prepared to live out the common good.



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Nicholas Postgate Catholic Academy Trust welcomes you to St Peter's Catholic College.

As a family of 38 schools we aim to celebrate the uniqueness of all our schools. The rich history of Catholic education in St Peter's Catholic College is built over years and is sustained through a dedicated team leading and working in partnership with our families, our parishes and wider communities for the best interest of all our pupils. A warm and friendly welcome will greet you when you visit our school no matter the nature of your engagement. The decision to choose St Peter's Catholic College as the school for your child's secondary education is one that needs to be secure and as a Trust we are committed to ensuring every opportunity is provided in advance to best inform you. Through genuine partnership with parents and carers we can collectively and collaboratively work together to ensure the educational experience for children is rich, vibrant, joyous and successful.



SCHOOL'S HISTORY

We are proud of a heritage that stretches back to 1941 and we continue to serve our local parishes.

OUR MISSION

One Faith, One Family, One Future

At the heart of the school is the living experience of our faith as we care for each other as a family supporting our pupils to work towards their future.

OUR VISION

St Peter's serves the community of Southbank, living out gospel values to enable our young people to fulfil their potential.

"The transition from primary to secondary has been outstanding. St Peter's have truly made my child feel welcomed and ensured he has settled in well. It is clear that there is supportive pastoral care in place for all pupils. My child enjoys school and is always excited to talk about learning in lessons."

A ST PETER'S PARENT



CATHOLIC LIFE

Our Faith is at the heart of what we do here at St Peter's. Each day begins and ends with worship, as we pray together to offer up the day and ask for God's help in all we do. Each of our houses has its own patron saint to help inspire our young people through their example and values. Our links with the parish are extremely important to us and we look to involve our pupils in parish life through joining the parish masses, supporting the parish soup lunch to name a couple of ways that we work with the parish. Our place at the heart of the community is very important to us and we reach out to support families in our community through our support of the foodbank at key times of the year. We encourage our young people to be active in life by becoming leaders. Year 10 are invited to take part in the CAFOD young leaders programme and they have responsibility for running some of our charity fundraising and campaigning in school. All of these and others are to help our young people grow and develop to be the person God made them to be.

A FIRST CLASS CURRICULUM

With a quality, proven curriculum in place, pupils are constantly challenged. Taught by experts in their subjects, our curriculum stretches young minds and promotes high aspirations. Being broad and balanced ensures the curriculum allows pupils to keep as many doors open to them as possible for as long as possible, therefore equipping them for their next steps in life, whether that be higher education, apprenticeships or entering the world of work.

WE ARE A 'GOOD' SCHOOL WITH OUTSTANDING FEATURES'

Both Ofsted and our Catholic School inspection recognise St Peter's as 'Good' in all categories and 'Outstanding' for Catholic Life and Mission. The improvement in Ofsted gradings is supported by a significant increase in GCSE pupil attainment. Over recent years the percentage of pupils achieving 4+ in English and mathematics has increased and 5+ in these subjects higher than national averages.

PREPARING FOR YEAR 7

St Peter's transition programme ensures that pupils become familiar with their new surroundings and feel ready to join us when the time comes. Our designated transition lead visits all primary schools in the summer term to meet Year 6 pupils who will be joining us and starts getting to know them better. This is further enhanced by our dedicated staff who speak to their teachers to ensure we understand each and every pupil.

Parents, carers and pupils are invited to open evenings in the summer term to hear more about our values and mission, see our excellent facilities and meet our staff and pupils.

Children also spend transition days at St Peter's. This experience includes external visits and team-building exercises with their new classmates, an introduction to our timetable and real lessons. Parents and carers are also invited to come in and ask questions and address any concerns.





SEND

We are an inclusive school and pupils of all aptitudes thrive in an environment firmly focused on the active marriage of academic achievement with the education of the whole child. Every child is given the best possible chance to flourish in every facet of their school life. A personalised approach to learning ensures that all of our learners develop on the path to being independent learners.

PASTORAL CARE

Pastoral care is a strength of St Peter's. We have a dedicated Pupil Engagement Officer for each year group, who is on hand to support their pupils throughout the day. Your child's form tutor will be their first point of contact each day. A strong, experienced safeguarding team who work with outside agencies to ensure your child receives the best possible care.

ADMISSIONS

St Peter's Catholic College was founded by the Diocese of Middlesbrough to provide education for baptised Catholic children. We welcome applications from all backgrounds and faiths. Our named feeder schools are the primary schools within Nicholas Postgate Academy Trust (NPCAT) and we give preference within our over-subscription criteria to those schools. The St Peter's family works particularly closely with local primary schools including Corpus Christi, Middlesbrough; St Alphonsus, North Ormesby; St Gabriel's Ormesby; St Mary's, Grangetown and St Margaret Clitherow's, South Bank.

Applications for places are always in high demand so please ensure applications are made before the 31st October through your local council.



PUPILS LEADING THE WAY

At St Peter's we actively encourage the personal growth of our pupils. School Council is a fantastic opportunity for pupils to develop their leadership skills. Representatives from each year group meet half termly to discuss important issues identified and raised via tutor group discussions. These representatives are given a chance to present to the Senior Leadership team, ensuring that their voices are heard at all levels, and changes are made where necessary. These changes are driven by pupils, who are inspired to contribute to the success of St Peter's. At the end of Year 10, pupils are given the opportunity to apply to become prefects and form the Pupil Leadership Team. Many positions are appointed after a democratic process, including Head Boy and Girl.





ENRICHMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Here at St Peter's we pride ourselves on the vast enrichment opportunities that we provide to our pupils. Whether this be through our after school extra curricular provision or through our extensive trip calendar.

Extra curricular activities at St Peter's are something that are enjoyed by both staff and pupils alike, and with over 20 activities on offer each week, there really is something for everyone with clubs ranging from Sport and Music to Catering and Knitting Club. However, enrichment goes beyond the school curriculum here at St Peter's with our pupils being provided with the opportunity to attend a huge number of trips and visits in order to provide life experiences, instil a love of learning and encourage the growth of cultural capital.

Our pupils are invited to attend a number of trips locally, which may be to celebrate attendance or the living out of our school mission statement, or these trips may be part of our diverse curriculum which

enables pupils to attend Art Galleries and music venues. However, our pupils are also provided with the opportunity to attend overseas trips to various different global destinations such as Paris as part of our MFL department which provides our pupils with valuable cultural and educational experiences.



OUTSTANDING FACILITIES

We're proud of our very special heritage, but focused on helping our pupils carve out successful futures.

NPCAT has backed the school with an ambitious £1 million pound refurbishment programme.

New facilities include a hi-tech virtual reality suite to enhance the quality of education, this has been extremely popular on European Languages day and the Holocaust. As we all are enhancing the curriculum it also further supports our careers programme and it allows our pupils to experience jobs ordinarily they wouldn't have the opportunity to do so.

Our popular fitness suite is used throughout the PE curriculum and after school. Our superb exhibition centre entertains an array of events and activities. To aid our ever growing pupil numbers an additional toilet block has been built for 2024.



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CAREERS

We are dedicated to preparing your children for a successful future.

St Peter's Catholic College is dedicated to developing and equipping all our pupils with the skills they require to; make informed decisions, be successful, confident and excited about the world of work. We are supported by experienced external guests and businesses who share our passion for high quality careers provision including local colleges and vocational establishments.

A committed leadership and careers team is key. St Peter's Catholic College is clear on the intent and implementation of a successful careers programme to ensure the very best outcomes for all. Pupils are supported by our qualified careers adviser who steers and guides our young people on the right pathway for success. These relationships are fundamental to the success of our careers programme.

Careers education at St Peter's Catholic College is guided and evidenced by the contextualised requirements of our pupils, and the Gatsby benchmarks with these theoretical principles underpinning our entire careers programme and guidance.

Inspirational resources provide real context and bring careers to life at St Peter's Catholic College. With a state of the art Virtual Reality suite, with full wrap around screen, allowing a unique and powerful way for us to connect, collaborate and work within the careers industry safely. This augmented reality brings careers to life for all our pupils in school and across the Trust.



“I was nervous coming from my primary school, as soon as I came for my transition days I felt part of the St Peter’s family. I am so happy at secondary school, I have made lots of new friends and love learning so many new things!”

A ST PETER’S PUPIL



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