



The Newman Catholic Collegiate



# St. John the Evangelist Catholic Academy

*"Lord be thy word my rule."*

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Dear Parents and Carers,

I am delighted to inform you of the outcome of the RE inspection that took place before the Easter holidays. The diocesan inspectors were in school for two days and inspected the school's Catholic Life, Religious Education and Collective Worship.

Attached is a copy of the report. As you can see the school has been graded good overall. The school has been graded outstanding in Catholic Life and good (with lots of evidence towards outstanding) in Religious Education and Collective Worship.

We are very proud of all of our pupils and they were outstanding, as always, during the two days. The report states:

*"Pupils are incredibly respectful of each other, evidenced in the excellent behaviour seen around the school. They are very supportive of each other and other adults across the school. The behaviours for learning are strong across all classes, and the pupils' manners are impeccable."*

*"Behaviour in school is outstanding. Pupils move around the school with respect and care for others, demonstrating kindness, politeness, and care."*

*"In lessons, pupils concentrate well and enjoy learning, approaching their studies with interest and enthusiasm. Pupils can articulate and understand how well they are doing and what they need to improve."*

The staff have worked incredibly hard in all three areas that were inspected.

*"The school nurtures the pupils in its care and puts the children's needs first. All staff take time to listen to the pupils, ensuring that they are happy, confident, and secure in their spiritual, physical, and emotional growth."*

*"Teachers consistently use higher-order questioning skills in the pupils' books to extend and improve their learning."*

Thank you to the parents who were able to speak to the Inspectors at the Key Stage Two site and for your valuable feedback. All parental questionnaires over the past three years have been shared with the inspectors,

*"Parents speak highly of the school and are very happy with the provision. Parents commented that 'The school has a good ethos,' and 'All staff are always helpful and supportive.' Parents value the pastoral, moral and spiritual guidance that their children receive."*

This is a fantastic tribute to the hard work done by all in school.

Thank you for your support.

Mrs Rigby  
Principal

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