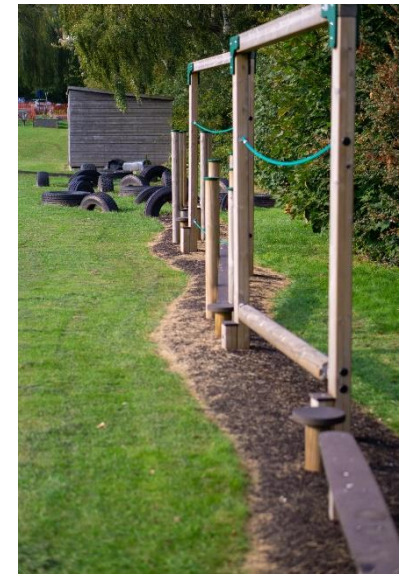
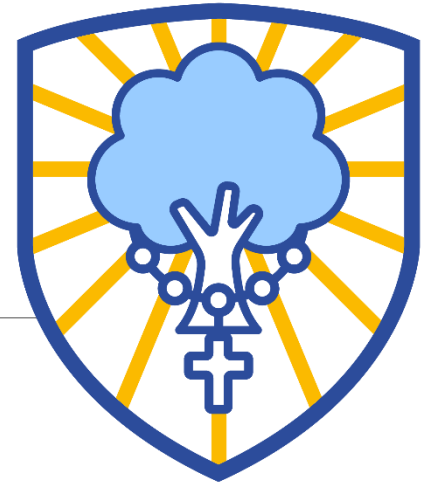




Welcome to
Our Lady of Fatima
Catholic Primary School



Mission Statement



We welcome everyone into our community to live, love and learn together in the light and example of Jesus Christ.



School Prayer



Our Lady of Fatima,

Let peace dwell here,

Let the rooms be filled with happiness.

**Help us to be kind with our words and actions and to grow closer to God
everyday.**

**Help us to learn and grow in our faith, reminding us that every heart makes up
this wonderful school.**

**Mary our Mother, as our patron saint, we ask for your forever guidance
through our Catholic Journey.**

Amen

Our school, which looks to **Christ for the basis of its existence**, aims to show concern for all connected with the school. We see ourselves as vital to the life and worship of the parish.

Our school will be distinguished by the quality of **care, support and respect** shown between its members.

Our school aims to make worship in all forms central to the life of the school and aims to **promote the spiritual growth** of all its members.

We aim to ensure that our whole curriculum is delivered within a Catholic environment in which pupils can grow and acquire **concepts, knowledge, skills, attitudes and values** in preparation for future life.

Our school acknowledges that **each person is unique and we should strive for the fullest development of every pupil** and all those who work in the school, promoting equal opportunity and respect for all.

Our school aims to promote **tolerance, justice and understanding** in our world by forging positive links with the neighbourhood, other schools, other faiths and the world of work.



About the School

First opened in 1967 (50th Anniversary in 2017).

Originally built to serve the parish of Our Lady of Fatima, Quinton.

Seven classes of pupils of all abilities.

Children taught in own class – mixed ability.

Currently 8 teachers (including Principal and Vice Principal) supported by teaching assistants.

Wonderful established Forest School on site.



EMMAUS
CATHOLIC
MULTI ACADEMY COMPANY

- St Wulstan's Catholic Primary School, Stourport
- Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Primary School, Harborne
- St Ambrose Catholic Primary School, Kidderminster
 - St Mary's Catholic Primary School, Brierley Hill
 - St Joseph's Catholic Primary School, Stourbridge
 - St Philip's Catholic Primary School, Smethwick
- St Francis Xavier Catholic Primary School, Oldbury
- Our Lady and St Hubert's Catholic Primary School, Oldbury
 - St Gregory's Catholic Primary School, Smethwick
 - Hagley Catholic High School, Hagley



OUR LADY OF FATIMA
CATHOLIC PRIMARY
SCHOOL

Whole School Behaviour Charter

We want our school to be a safe and happy place for everyone.

We all have the responsibility to **always**:

- Listen and **respect** everyone in our school community.
 - Listen in class to whoever is talking
 - Look after our school building, playgrounds and God's world
 - Respect all cultures, religions and beliefs
- Treat everyone with **kindness**, and to support one another.
 - Being helpful and kind
 - Include everyone
 - Smile!
- Be **determined** in everything we do.
 - Try your very best
 - Encourage others
 - Never give up!
- Use our **manners**, and to be polite.
 - Say please and thank you
 - Hold the doors open for others
 - Talk calmly move sensibly and listen to each other
- Live like Jesus!

Created by the School Council



OUR LADY OF FATIMA
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Whole School Online Charter

When online we want everyone to be safe, aware and happy.

We all have the responsibility to **always**:

- Be **kind** online!
 - Speak and treat others as you would want to be treated
 - Speak to each other online with the same respect as if you were speaking in person
- **Never share** any personal information online
- If you are **unsure or feel uncomfortable** about something you have seen, talk to a trusted adult
- Only go on websites and play games which have been **approved** by an adult or that are age appropriate
- If you receive a mean message: **Screenshot, Block, Report**

Created by the Computer Champions





School Website:

<http://www.olfatima.bham.sch.uk>



Creative Curriculum

Year 1 / Autumn 1	<p style="text-align: center;">Journeys</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Pilgrimage our Journey of Faith</p>			Year B
<p style="text-align: center;">Intent</p>	<p>Scripture Passage</p> <p><i>Your Word is a lamp for my feet, a light on my path</i></p> <p><i>Psalms 119:105</i></p>		<p>Inspirational Quote</p> <p><i>Sometimes it's the Journey that teaches you a lot about your destination</i></p> <p><i>Drake</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Impact</p>
<p><i>At Our Lady of Fatima, we strive to instil in our children a sense of wonder and awe in their journey through life. The importance of God's creation, being inspired by those before and around us and being inspirational to others.</i></p> <p><i>We inspire our children to be stewards of God, know that all have a right in this world and the importance of family and community and their role in them.</i></p>				<p><i>At the end of the half term children will:</i></p> <p><i>Have a deeper understanding of their role as stewards in looking after God's creation</i></p> <p><i>Understand more about our local community, from the past to the present, and their role in their family and community as they grow and develop as disciples of God</i></p> <p><i>Know that we all have rights as children of God, and our duty to respect all faiths and cultures</i></p>

Creative Curriculum

Mental Wellbeing Impact	Mass and Prayers / Scripture Passages	Catholic Social Teaching	Our Questions to explore
Exploring this theme will have an impact on our Mental Wellbeing by Respecting all, knowing we all belong and have a role to support one another	Prayers which link to Topic / Focus Scripture Passages support overview Footprints Prayer/Poem Road to Emmaus	Opportunities to share our Catholic Values with the community Stewardship- creation (RE) - Rights for all- Black History Month (October) - Family and Community – older people on a different part of their journey	Where is God calling you to? (vocations)



Admissions Criteria

The admissions process is part of the Birmingham Local Authority co-ordinated scheme.

The Admission Policy of the Academy Committee of **Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Primary School** is as follows:

The ethos of this school is **Catholic**. The school was founded by the Catholic Church to provide education for children of Catholic families. The school is governed by the Multi Academy Board of Directors, through the school's Academy Committee as part of the Catholic Church, seeking at all times to be a witness to Jesus Christ.

We ask all parents applying for a place here to respect this ethos and its importance to the school community. This does not affect the right of parents who are not of the faith of this school to apply for and be considered for a place here. We are a fully inclusive school.



Admissions Criteria

The School's Admission Number for the school year beginning in September 2024 is **30**.

If the number of applications exceeds the admission number, the Academy Committee will give priority to applications in accordance with the criteria listed, provided that the Academy Committee are made aware of that application **before** decisions on admissions are made. If there **is over-subscription within a category**, the Academy Committee will give priority to children living closest to the school determined by shortest distance.

A map of the parish boundary is available at the school , the parish church and the school's website.



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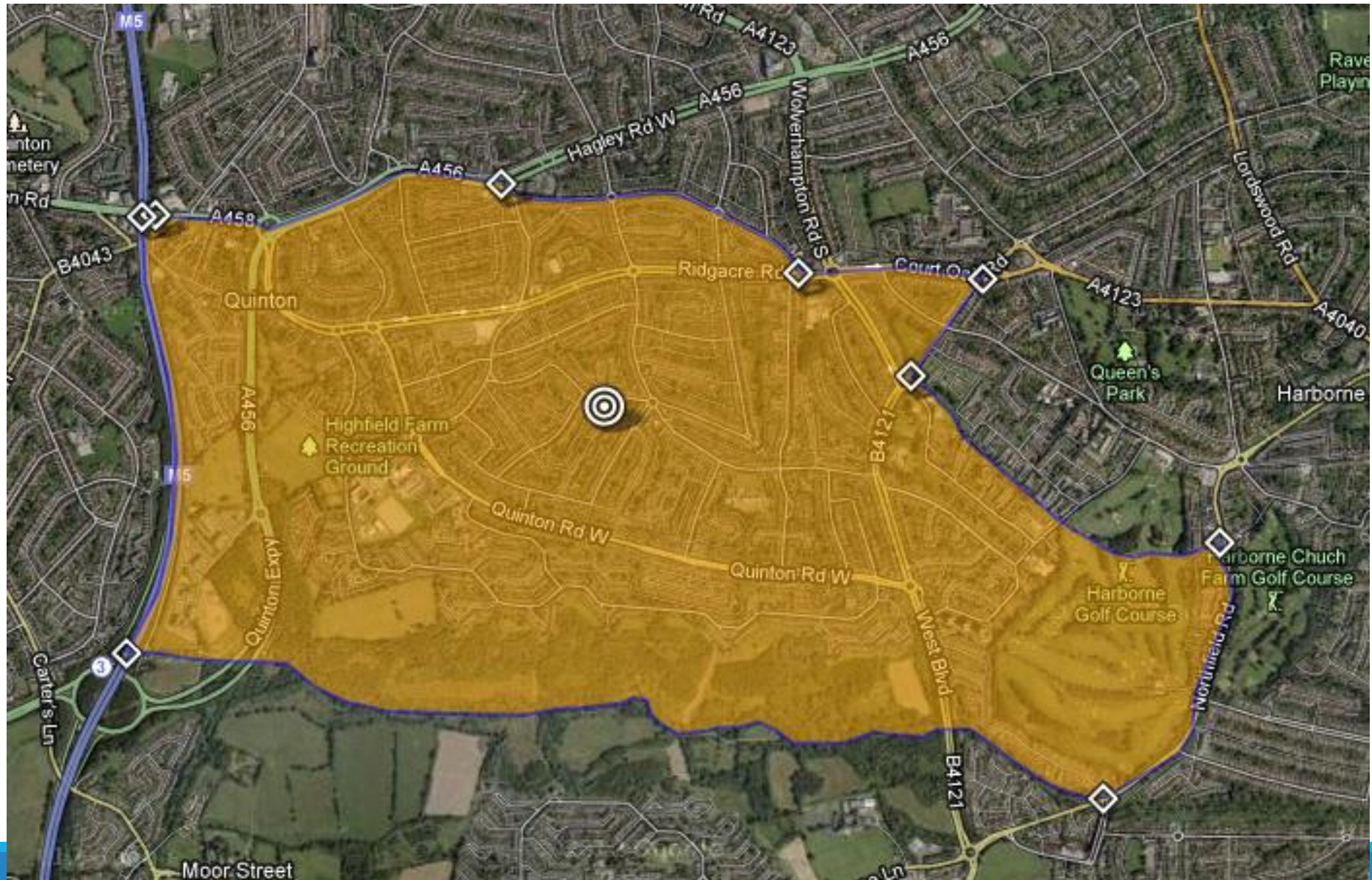
1. Baptised Catholic children who are in the care of a local authority or provided with accommodation by them (e.g. children with foster parents), or have previously been in care.
2. Baptised Catholic children living within the Parish of Our Lady of Fatima who have a brother or sister in the school at the time of admission.
3. Baptised Catholic children who have a brother or sister in the school at the time of admission.
4. Baptised Catholic children living within the Parish of Our Lady of Fatima.
5. Other Baptised Catholic children.



Admissions Criteria (8)

6. Non-Catholic children who are in the care of a local authority or provided with accommodation by them (e.g. children with foster parents), or have previously been in care.
7. Non-Catholic children who have a brother or sister in the school at the time of admission.
8. Non-Catholic children.

**Our Lady of Fatima Parish Boundary-
to be used if you think your child falls into Category 2 or 4- living
within the parish of Our Lady of Fatima.**





Applications

Parents apply (once) for all preferred schools through own local authority (e.g. Birmingham, Sandwell, Dudley etc). This is determined by the address from where your Council Tax is paid.

Parents make **preferences** not **choices**.

Schools must, and do, administer the admissions criteria completely fairly.

Once **30** places are allocated, and accepted, **there are no further places available**.



Applications

Infant classes are restricted to a maximum of 30.

‘Class size’ is governed by ‘Infant Class size legislation’.

No KS1 appeal made against this school has been successful because of this.

Parents should be **realistic** about the preferences they make.

If a local authority cannot meet parents’ preference, they will allocate a place at the nearest school where a place is available in the authority.

Applications



When the local authority has all applications, they send a list to school with every child who has the school on its' preference form.

Schools **do not** know whether it is 1st, 2nd, 3rd etc. on the preference form, and this is not taken into account.

Schools **rank all** applications according to Admissions Criteria.

Schools return the ranked list to the local authority who then match according to parents **highest** preference.

Local authorities inform parents of their allocated school (April 2023).

'Advice'



If parents do not accept the school they have been offered, the local authority is not required to make another offer.

Be sensible, be realistic, use **all** the preferences available to you wisely.

If you only apply to over-subscribed schools, you may be disappointed.

The deadline for BCC resident applications for a Reception Class place in a Birmingham Primary School, starting in September 2024 is 15th January 2024.

School places are allocated on 16th April 2024.

www.birmingham.gov.uk/schooladmissions



Applications

Parents who make a (Catholic) faith claim **must** also submit original proof of baptism **to the school** and **complete a SIF** (Supplementary Information Form).

If a SIF is not submitted before the Academy Committee ranks all applications, the child will be ranked as non-Catholic (category 8).

Parents of catholic children are urged to support the catholic education they request for their child, including attendance at Sunday Mass.



Successful Applications

Parents who are offered a place are advised to accept as soon as possible.

Children are invited to experience Reception Class in the summer term, all information is shared with parents before the summer holidays and we invite you to a meeting with the Principal and teachers in September before the start of the year..



Unsuccessful Applications

Parents who are **not** offered a place at this school but who had originally placed this school on their preference form:

- Your child will be placed on our waiting list
- This does not mean that your child will eventually be offered a place (30+ children on current waiting list)
- Appeals have not been successful because the school always applies the criteria fairly
- Be **realistic** about preferences



Before & After School Care

There is an onsite Before and After School Club for parents who require additional care.

There is a charge for this from **£5.75** an hour.

Hours:

7.45 – 8.55 a.m

3.30 – 5.45 p.m

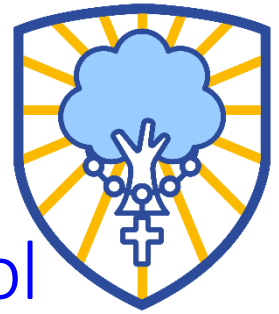
Numbers are restricted, so parents are advised to book in advance.

PTA

We have an amazing, active PTA across the school with many events across the year, ranging from:

- Welcome Disco
- Fireworks Night
- Film Clubs each term
- Cake Sales
- Bake Offs
- Break the Rules Day
- And many more

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Displays in the school hall enable the children to take inspiration from saints and our Gospel Values





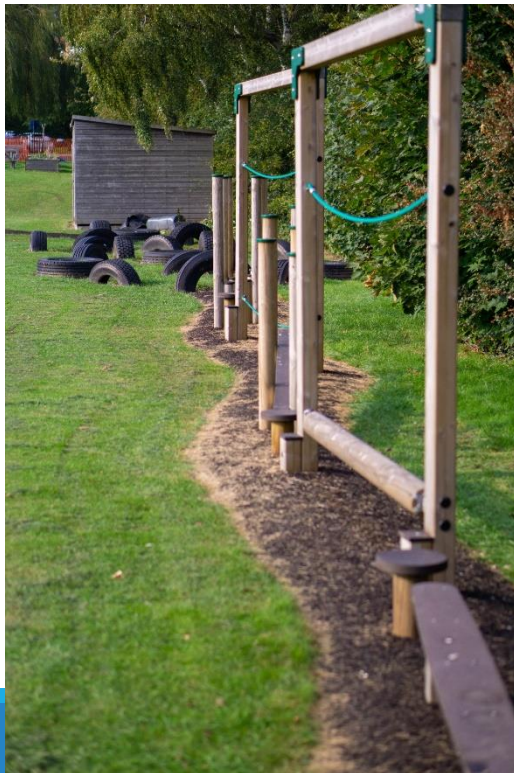
We celebrate how the children demonstrate the Gospel Values throughout the year.

We have House Saints across the school:
St Martha
St John Paul
St Clare
St Christopher





The school has fantastic space, a huge football field, a new trim trail and tyre area, new play area, and grounds for the children to play in

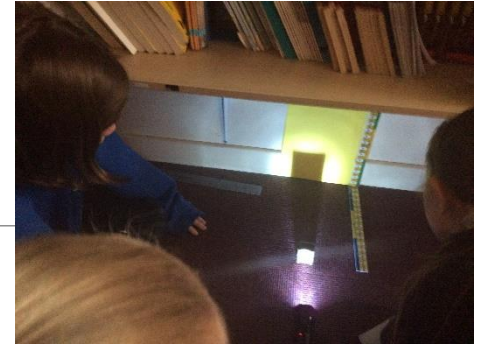


Prayer life is a key element to school life. We have a new Prayer Area in which the children can take part in Prayer and is an area in which they can reflect





The Love of Reading is so important and is a key element to every class and their learning. We have fantastic space on school grounds where teachers can read stories to children and where children can read in a quiet area.





We have a Forest School. Children across the school enjoy learning life skills and develop strategies to improve their mental and emotional health



Thank you

Thank you for your interest in
Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Primary School

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