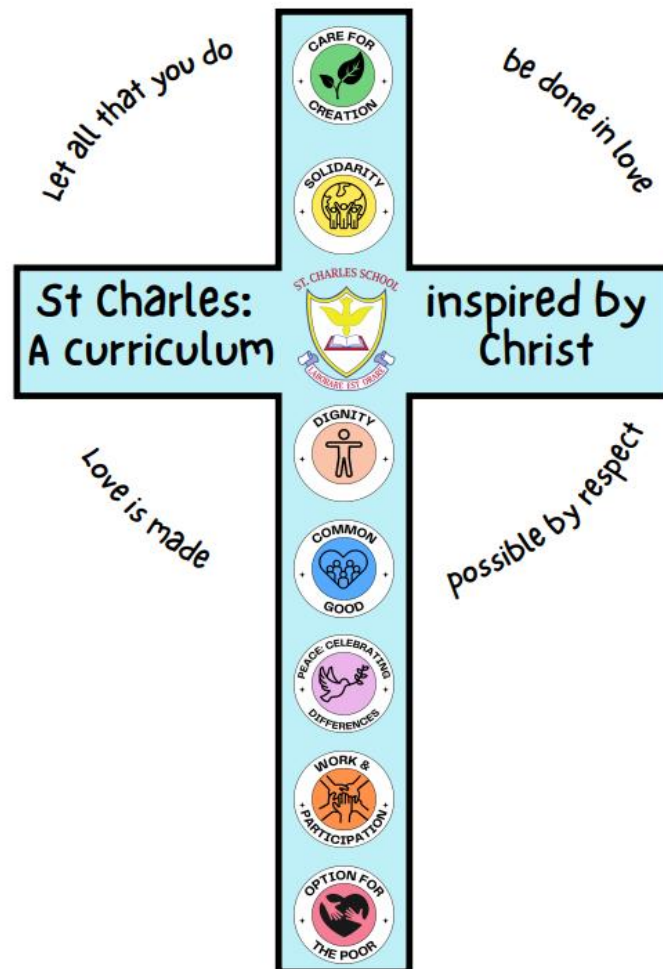




St Charles Catholic Primary School

Curriculum Statement



Mission Statement

"Let all that you do be done in Love.

Love is made possible with respect." St Charles Borromeo

St Charles is a school where all are valued as a child of God, where everyone is enabled to grow in Christ to achieve their potential.

As a Catholic School, Christian values and the traditions of the Catholic faith are central to our ethos.

Our curriculum is based on our school motto of 'Let all that you do be done in love. Love is made possible by respect.' It is a curriculum inspired by Christ and built on Gospel values, British values and Catholic Social Teaching principles: it is knowledge-rich and ambitious for all of our learners.

Our curriculum follows seven themes that allow our children to develop deeper knowledge and understanding of the themes as they progress through the school.

The themes are:

Care for Creation

Solidarity

Dignity


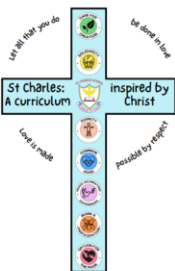
Option for the Poor


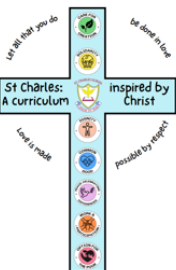
Common Good

Peace: Celebrating Differences

Work and Participation

These themes are woven through our curriculum in the form of 'Big questions' and discussion in class, alongside the curriculum subjects taught. The themes are supported by a quote from Scripture or prominent figures from within the Catholic Church. In each theme, the children consider its relevance to themselves, and the wider community of which they are part. Links are made to Catholic Teaching and how we are all called to respond.

<p>Catholic Social Teaching</p> <p>Was the dignity of the human person considered during the Victorian era?</p> <p>Each of us is unique and beautiful. We are called to treat every person and creation with respect.</p>  <p><i>'Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born I set you apart'</i> Jeremiah 1:5</p> 	<p>Human Dignity is based on the principal that the human person is made in God's own image.</p> <p>Each of us is beautiful and unique; we are called to treat every person and creation with respect.</p> <p>Children learn about keeping safe and healthy; care of themselves; respecting differences; mutual respect; tolerance and individual liberty</p>
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<p>Option for the Poor is based on the principal that God's love is universal; he has a preferential love for the poorest and most vulnerable people; we are called to care for the poor and vulnerable</p> <p>Children learn about fund-raising; homelessness; vulnerable people; refugees and slavery.</p>	<p>Catholic Social Teaching</p> <p>Did the King and Lords put the poor and vulnerable first?</p> <p>God's love is universal; he has a preferential love for the poorest and most vulnerable people. We are called to care for the poor and the vulnerable.</p>  <p><i>'In all things I have shown you that by working hard in this way we must help the weak and remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he himself said "It is more blessed to give than to receive"'</i> Acts 20: 35</p> 
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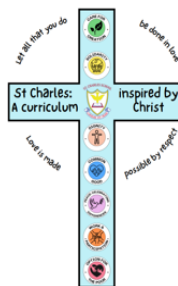
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Catholic Social Teaching

'The Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to work it and take care of it'
Genesis 2:15



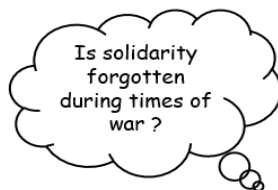
The natural world is God's creation and his gift to us. We are called to care for and respect our environment.



Solidarity is based on the principal that we all belong to each other; we are called to stand side by side with our sisters and brothers, wherever they are in the world, especially those living in poverty.

Children learn about team-work and community; inclusion and fairness; individual liberty; tolerance; helping others; fundraising; food fairness and food poverty (universal access to food).

Catholic Social Teaching

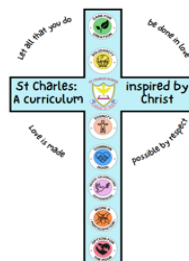


We are called to stand side by side with our sisters and brothers, especially those living in poverty.



'In truth I tell you, in so far as you did this to one of the least of these brothers (or sisters) of mine, you did it to me'

Matthew 25:40



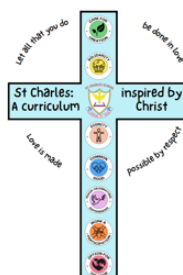
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The fruits of the earth belong to everyone. We are called to make sure that no one is excluded from the gifts of creation.



'You are not making a gift of your possessions to the poor person. You are handing over to them what is theirs'
Saint Ambrose (340-379 AD)



Common Good is based on the principal that we are all part of a huge global community. The fruits of the earth belong to everyone; we are called to make sure that no one is excluded from the gifts of creation.

Children learn about community; social justice; human rights; responsibilities; rights of all (especially the poor).

dependent upon people's understanding of one another. We are all called to show we care by working together towards peace.

Children learn about individual liberty; mutual respect; celebrating differences; equal opportunities and discrimination.

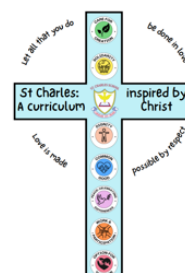
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Peace comes from both justice and love and is dependent upon people understanding one another. We are called to work towards peace throughout our world.



'Those who promote peace have joy'
Proverbs 12:20



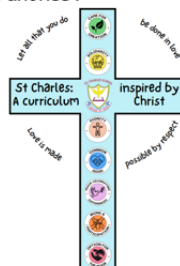
Catholic Social Teaching

How can putting on a puppet show give opportunities for everyone to take part?

Work is an essential part of our human dignity. Everyone has the right to take part. We are called to use our creative skills for the benefit of all.

'The Kingdom of Heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field. It is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of all shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches'.

Matthew 13: 31-32



Work and Participation is based on the principal that work is an essential part of our human dignity. Everyone has the right to take part; we are called to use our creative skills for the benefit of all.

Children learn about team work and the value of working together; respecting individual contributions ; injustice and exploitation of workers and Fair Trade.