

3-year strategy



2023/2024 – 2026/2027



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Our school motto

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Our Vision

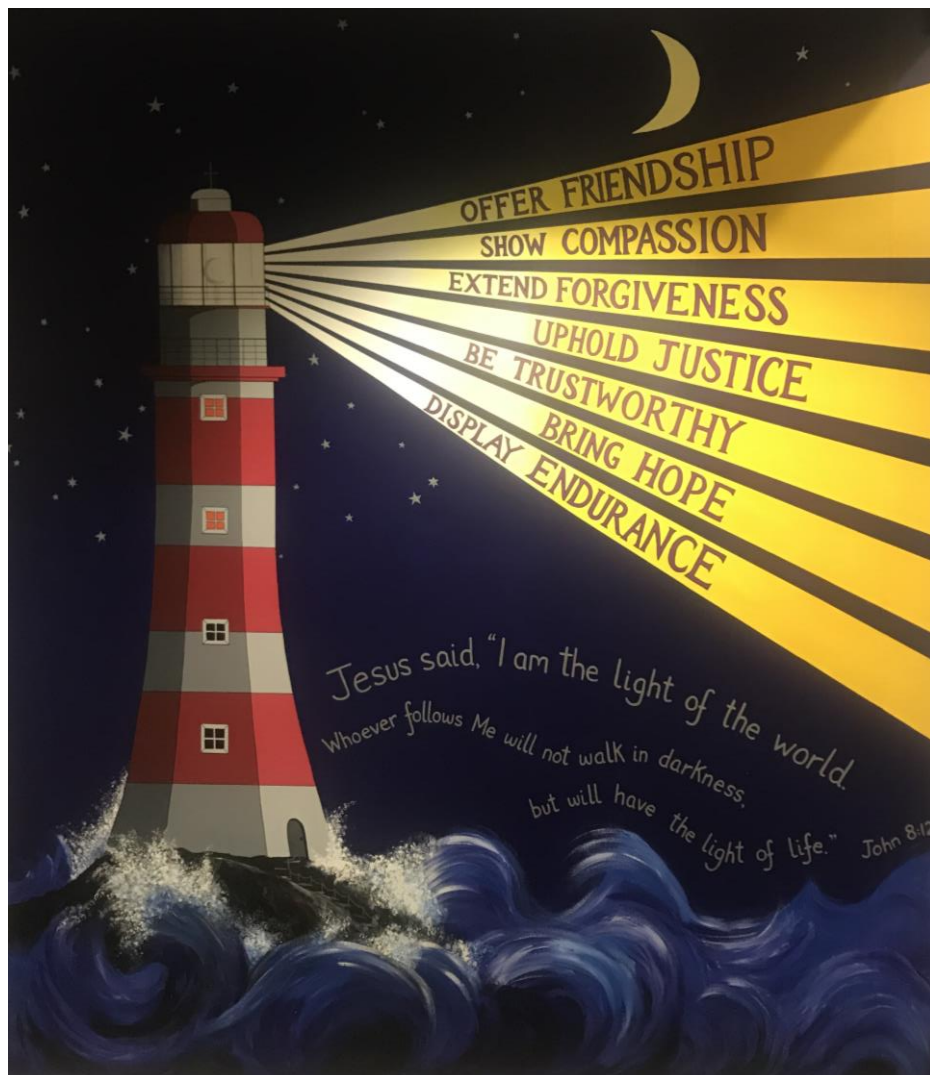
Following in the footsteps of Jesus, each member of our community will flourish as resilient, respectful and adaptable individuals prepared for life's journey. Along the way we will encourage and inspire each other to continue growing as beacons of light in our own lives and the wider world.

Our Mission Statement

St. George's Central seeks to provide quality education rooted in the Christian faith, serving the spiritual, moral, and educational needs of the community of which it is part.

School Aims:

- * To nurture our spiritual, moral and social development within a Christian ethos;
- * To be an inclusive and welcoming school ensuring that all pupils are given equality of opportunity and are aware of diversity within the community and wider world;
- * To provide quality learning experiences through an engaging, challenging and balanced curriculum;
- * To build a safe and nurturing environment where all children feel secure and ready to learn;
- * To encourage strong relationships, based on love, respect and kindness, between school, home, church and community;
- * To enable children to develop a range of skills and knowledge that they can apply independently and that will contribute to life-long success.



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Our School Values



Friendship:

God sees us all as precious. We believe that true friendship enables each of us to grow as a respected individual and ensures that the unique character of everyone in our school community is recognised and valued.

Trust:

We recognise that trust is essential to human life and lies at the heart of all relationships. We can demonstrate this by being reliable members of our school and wider communities and not letting people down as well as trusting in the abilities and integrity of others.

Justice:

Justice in our school and wider communities means giving all what it is right and fair for them to have: life, health, freedom and dignity and knowing that we can all help to look after each others' well-being.

Hope:

Christian hope is grounded in the character of God. Hope is not wishful thinking but a firm assurance that God can be relied upon. In our school we approach life with a positive outlook knowing we are safe within God's love for us.

Endurance:

At our school we don't give up when things are tough or when we face a challenge. At these times we show endurance and perseverance to keep strong and keep going.

Compassion:

In our school community we care about each other and always try to put ourselves in other people's shoes to try to experience what they experience so we can help them where possible.

Forgiveness:

We follow Jesus' teachings by seeking to forgive other people just as God forgives us. We say sorry for the mistakes we make and look for opportunities to make things better.



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Our school

St. George's Central CE Primary School and Nursery is an above average sized Voluntary Aided School with nursery provision for 3 – 4 year olds on the school based site and provision for 2 – 4 year olds on our Lancaster Avenue Nursery site (acquired in August 2016, under section 27). We have 11 classes and our standard admission number increased to 45 in each year group in Sept 2018. In September 2016, we admitted 'overpan', in Reception (50 children) and we moved to have 2 distinct Reception classes. Some learners are taught in mixed year group classes – this starts in Year 1 and is organised throughout school based on age.

Our strategy lays out our key ambitions and aspirations for the next three years. **Our four strategic aims are:**

Strategic Aim 1: To ensure a high quality of education is front and centre of the work with our children

We will ensure this through:

- Continuing to develop our curriculum across all areas.
- Developing outdoor learning opportunities through our Forest School.
- Monitoring impact and making ongoing changes to the curriculum as required.

Strategic Aim 2: To develop the Governing Body in line with future needs of the school

We will ensure this through:

- Working to recruit and retain high quality governors.
- Developing and educating governors in their active role.
- Using the annual skills audit.
- Aligning governors to support school priorities.

Strategic Aim 3: To be an active pastoral participant particularly with church and our mission in the community

We will ensure this through:

- Continuing to work with a range of community groups.
- Strengthening our links with the clergy.

Strategic Aim 4: To explore school development opportunities in light of national policy direction

We will ensure this through:

- Keeping abreast of local and national policy changes.
- Recruiting and retaining high calibre staff.



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