

OUR LADY OF LOURDES CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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September 7th 2022

Re: Drafting of School Development Plan – Parental and Carer Input

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope the start of term is going well – huge thanks for the support on uniform, especially the PE kit – the children all look very smart and ready to learn.

On Monday morning, I'm due to meet with the Governors to finalise our priorities and plans for the year. We do this based on a thorough evaluation that we undertook during the summer term with parental responses to questionnaires being part of that process. I thought I'd write today to keep you updated with our current thoughts and therefore giving you a further opportunity to liaise with me directly between now and Monday, if you felt there was anything missing from our priorities that you'd like to see.

The School Development Plan is split into separate sections. You'll see we've also graded each section with '1' being 'Outstanding' and '2' being 'Good'. We've used the Ofsted Handbook for Schools to determine the grades. Please do have a look at our draft priorities and should you feel something's being missed, please get in touch with me at school. My direct e-mail address is paulbarber@lourdes.brighton-hove.sch.uk.

Here's our thoughts at the moment:

School Development Plan Draft Points

Catholic Life – Grade 1 (Based on Catholic School Inspection, November 2021)

- To support the training of staff so that the teaching of RE is strong across the school.
- To ensure the staff have the skills to allow children to plan and deliver their own sessions of prayer and collective worship.
- To improve student involvement at Mass and the wider life of the parish.

Quality of Education: Grade 2

- To ensure that the provision for the most able is there in every lesson so that % of children reaching Greater Depth in Reading, Writing and Maths increases in line with the highest performing schools. (Teaching)
- To ensure that our marking policy is adhered to and that marking is effective whilst taking workload into consideration. (Results)
- To ensure handwriting remains a focus in all lessons (Teaching)
- To ensure the roll out of our reading curriculum and the provision of high quality texts in each classroom and library. (Curriculum)
- To support children entering the school well below average starting points so that they make the same progress as everyone else. (Curriculum)
- To improve outcomes in Year 1 SATS in reading and writing so we are <u>substantially</u> above National Averages. (Teaching)

• To ensure 100% of children pass phonics screening tests at the end of Year 1 Tel (01273) 306980 Fax (01273) 308809 Email <u>admin@lourdes.brighton-hove.sch.uk</u>



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Behaviours and Attitudes: Grade 1

• To undertake work to prevent unconscious bias in children.

Personal Development: Grade 2

• To ensure our student leadership programme supports the behaviour of our students so they are well used to taking responsibility for themselves and others.

Leadership and Management: Grade 2

- To ensure the professional development of all leaders through networks and partnerships across the Deanery and local authority.
- To ensure the financial safeguarding of the school through prudence, clear financial benchmarking and numbers on roll filling PAN; particularly in Reception class.
- To ensure the continued success of our catholic schools through the driving of highly positive, highly effective partnerships across our Newman Family of Schools, leading to increased financial stability and dynamic development of staff; for the benefit of all children.

Quality of Early Years: Grade 2

• To further embed the EYFS curriculum and benchmarking of all children so that progress across the school can be mapped in support targeted where necessary.

Thanks for any input that you have.

Best wishes,

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