



# Bishop Ullathorne Catholic School



An active Christian community of Love and Service.



Welcome to

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I hope you will find the information in our prospectus useful.

Choosing the right secondary school for your child is one of the most important jobs you have as a parent. During their time with us, your child will make that essential transition from child to young adult. The environment you place your children in will go on to shape them as a person for the rest of their lives. We take this responsibility very seriously at Bishop Ullathorne Catholic School.

As a Catholic school, we are dedicated to the development of the whole child. Our mission statement dictates that we search for excellence in all we do, whether this is in the classroom or through one of our many wonderful enrichment activities.

Being a Catholic school, it means that we place love and service at the heart of all of our work with young people. Our staff are committed to their vocation and this helps to foster a warm, happy atmosphere in school.

We set high standards academically, morally, physically and spiritually. This is what defines us as a faith community. We live out our faith through our actions and these, in turn, lead to excellent outcomes for all of our young people.

We welcome visitors to the school, so please contact us if you have any further questions.

God bless.



**Chris Billings**

Headteacher



**Our Mission**  
is to be an **active Christian**  
**community** of **love** and **service**,  
where all feel they **belong** and are  
**valued.** We will **help each other**  
to recognise the **gifts of God**  
within us, to search for **excellence**  
and to foster the development of our  
**true self.**



“When I first started at Bishop Ullathorne, I felt a little anxious. However, I quickly realised that everyone was welcoming and made me feel at ease. I soon settled in and I am enjoying the different opportunities which secondary school has to offer.”

Year 7 student

## Be Wise and Curious

Children should be encouraged to ask questions of the world around them and recognise the power of knowledge. Our broad and exciting curriculum allows our young people to engage with the world around them in a safe and structured way.



To become the person God is calling us to be, we believe that students need to foster virtues that will help them find their true selves. We call this the Ullathorne Way: a set of values through which we strive to learn and grow.



## Be Attentive

Paying close attention to the choices we make and those around us helps us to make better decisions. Our high expectations for behaviour, uniform and standards help our young people feel safe and valued.



**“You have developed an exciting curriculum for pupils which effectively supports them to develop academically and personally.”**

Ofsted 2019



“The school has created an environment where children feel supported and valued.”

Independent safeguarding review, 2021



## Be Compassionate

Kindness and compassion are the bedrock of our school. We believe every child is special and made in the image of God. Every person in our school community has worth and deserves to feel loved.

## Be Faith-filled and Prophetic

Bishop Ullathorne promotes the importance of having faith in ourselves. Our young people are encouraged to act and live as God has taught us.

We see our young people as light houses of hope and love.



**“Teachers are always willing to help you if you are worried and the other students are very supportive. It feels amazing to have made so many new friends and there was nothing to be worried about, after all. It is great!”**

Year 7 student





**“Pupils are polite and well mannered. Behaviour in lessons and at social times is good and this is indicative of the impact of the ‘Ullathorne Way’.”**

Ofsted 2019

## Be Eloquent

Our curriculum is designed to allow students to ask questions, express emotions and engage in conversations. By speaking our beliefs we are able to understand truth.



## Be Grateful

We expect all of our whole school community to recognise and be thankful for the gifts we have been given.

Our talents, friends, communities and education should never be taken for granted. We believe these are essential building blocks for a happy and successful life.

We regularly celebrate these gifts through assemblies, our character education and celebration events throughout the school year.



**“The staff are brilliant, so informative and encouraging and give great advice.”**

Year 9 Parent 2021





## The Bishop Ullathorne Curriculum

We pride ourselves on providing a broad and diverse curriculum. Alongside the excitement of English, mathematics, religious education and science, we also provide opportunities for our young people to explore their talents in the performing arts, technology, humanities and languages.

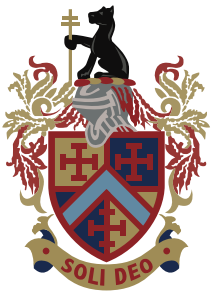
Bishop Ullathorne has a long and proud tradition in sport. With regular fixtures throughout the year and brand new facilities, we are safeguarding this tradition for generations to come.

All of our young people follow a three-year Key Stage 3 programme that encourages them to open their eyes to the world around them. They will explore what it means to be part of our world community and begin to define their own future pathways.

In Key Stage 4, students can refine their studies and select a smaller group of subjects to study for GCSE.

Once in our Sixth Form, our young people are supported to focus on their areas of excellence and expertise to prepare them for the final steps into adulthood.





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