

# @StMattsGuidance

St Matthew's Academy - Guidance





St Matthew's Academy Pupils are sorted into 6 Houses or Pastoral Groups Each House has a different Guidance Teacher.



Pope St. John Paul II



St Oscar Romero



St Teresa of Calcutta



St Maximilian Kolbe



St Martin de Porres



Blessed Pier Frassati



## Role of a Guidance Teacher

- They will offer
  - Personal Guidance
  - Pastoral Care
- Monitor Pupil Attendance, Timekeeping and Progress
- Deliver the PSE Programme





## School Day

- Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday
  - 7 Periods
  - Start at 8.50am and Finish at 3.35pm
- Thursday and Friday
  - 6 Periods
  - Start at 8.50am and Finish at 2.45pm
- Each Period is 50 minutes long.



- S1 PSE Course
- Pupils attend 1 period a week of PSE with their Guidance Teacher
- During which the following will be covered in S1
  - Induction Programme Settling in, Expectations
  - SHANARRI
  - Promoting Positive Relationships
  - Employability Skills (Careers Education)
  - Mental Health and Wellbeing
  - Internet Safety
  - Heartstart CPR Training





## Activities your child could be a part of:

- Eco warriors
- Pupil Council
- Book Group
- Art Club
- Science Club

- Art Clubs
- Cooking Clubs
- Football Team
- Basketball Team
- Volleyball Team
- Chess Club

- Lunchtime Mass
- Lunchtime Fitness
- Lunchtime Dodgeball
- Anime Club
- Lego Club

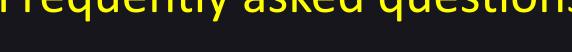
## Frequently asked questions



- q. Will my child have the same Guidance teacher as their siblings?
- A. Maybe, we try and place your child with their friends' and their siblings' guidance teacher, but it is not always possible to do both, friends will take priority.

- Q. Can they go out for Lunch?
- A. Not in 1st year. In first year they must inside and have lunch in the school grounds. They can bring a packed lunch or go to the canteen.

# Frequently asked questions



- Q. What do I do if my child is not well?
- A. If your child is sick you should call the school and let us know, the office will be open from 8.30am. If your child is in school when they take unwell, their teacher will send them to their Guidance Teacher who will decide if they have to go home and you will be contacted.

- Q. What do they do if they get lost?
- A. Any pupil or staff member will be happy to help them find their way to class. At the beginning the 6th Years will show them around.



# Frequently asked questions



- Q. Will they have the same Guidance Teacher and Year Head all the way through?
- A. Yes, Mr McGuigan and their Guidance Teacher will move through the school with them.
- Q. How do they get a locker?
- A. They will be invited to bring a deposit to the school office, normally £5 and be given a key to a locker. When they give the key back at the end of the year they will get the deposit back.



Any Questions?

We are looking forward to seeing you and your child in August!