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HIGH SCHOOL
& SIXTH FORM CENTRE

BECOME PART OF THE #MARICOURTFAMILY

Welcome to Maricourt Catholic High School.

Our school was founded in 1957 under the trusteeship of the Sisters of Mercy. Our Catholic ethos pervades all aspects of our school life, making Maricourt a focused, caring and happy community where each individual can flourish. Our Catholic ethos and the Sisters of Mercy charism is at the heart of everything we do and we pride ourselves on living out our mission statement of love and respect. We are a school steeped in history with an exciting future ahead.

We are committed to fostering the development of each individual, establishing a sense of self worth and a sense of responsibility and respect for others. Not only do we provide excellent academic opportunities, but our dedicated team of staff and governors ensure that we offer outstanding pastoral and spiritual support. We are always mindful of the words of our founder, Catherine McAuley, "**Resolve to be good today and better tomorrow.**" We constantly strive for this through our strong relationships between parents/carers, staff and students, which are at the heart of our Catholic community.

From the moment you walk through our doors you will feel a sense of belonging. Our strong links with our partner primary schools and embedded induction programme will make the transition from primary school to secondary school seamless. We have the same aspirations for every student and we want them all to be successful, positive and resilient and play active and purposeful roles, both within and beyond our school and local communities. If you share our ambitions, then we would love you to come and join us. This really is a special place to be.

"The pastoral support for pupils is highly effective. For example, leaders successfully ensure that pupils experience a positive transition from primary school in terms of their pastoral care."
- Ofsted



Joe Mangan - Headteacher

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As a school community we are challenging ourselves all the time to strive to be the best and we demand that students and parents share the same aspirations.

We have a broad and well balanced curriculum offer which aims to develop the 'whole person'. This is combined with a caring, supportive and nurturing environment so all students can achieve their full potential. We are proud of our inclusive curriculum which is accessible to all and we have been awarded the SENDIA, SEND Inclusion Award.



DISCOVERING AMBITION



"I loved Maricourt for its family feeling and the constant support that I got from the staff, as well as the amazing friends I made along the way!"
- Pupil Voice 2020



The curriculum promotes the spiritual, moral, social and cultural development of pupils. Pupils experience the breath of subjects available and show a love of learning. Students are equipped with enough knowledge and understanding of the different curriculum areas, which allows them to make informed choices at key transition points when choosing their key stage 4 options and when making decisions post 16.

All our teachers are subject specialists and are passionate about engaging learners through both traditional and innovative teaching techniques. The opportunities both in and outside the classroom allow for character building and a desire for lifelong learning.

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EXPLORING POSSIBILITIES WITHOUT LIMITS



Through STEM subjects students are encouraged to question, challenge and become deep thinkers. Through Mathematics, Science, Technology, Computing and Construction in the Built Environment, pupils are able to explore both their academic and practical potential. This allows for their ability to challenge thought, innovate and problem solve with ease. Pupils are enthusiastic in these subjects and quickly learn to push themselves out of their comfort zone. This not only allows for academic progression but also examination success.

University visits, employer encounters, industry days, college taster days, coding clubs and competing at local and national level in Mathematics and Computing competitions, enables students to thrive and realise that there are no personal limits to their success.



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Physical education and sport is a key strength of what Maricourt has to offer. Through the extensive range of both individual and team sports you can guarantee that the PE department will foster, encourage and promote the development of any sports discipline.

We have a long lasting history of sporting achievements at both local, county and national level and compete in a wide variety of sports.



BE INSPIRED, REACH AND ACHIEVE



Our annual sports awards evening celebrates and showcases the high quality and brilliance of our young peoples successes.

We firmly believe that promoting a love of leading a healthy active lifestyle will equip students to lead a happy healthy life both physically and mentally. Our sporting offer compliments this core belief whether it be through independent development or contributing to a team.

Annual trips both locally, nationally and internationally allows for cultural development and an appreciation for the sporting contributions worldwide. There is an annual ski trip to the Italian Alps and domestic and international football tours, we have recently spent time at Borussia Dortmund, Benfica, Ajax, Feyenoord, Villarreal and in the North East at Newcastle, Sunderland and Middlesbrough. On these trips students get trained by club coaches, play fixtures against local teams, enjoy a stadium tour and watch a live match at some incredible stadiums.

Girls also have the opportunity to join the netball tour that takes place at Euro Disney. Here our girls enjoy coaching sessions with England netball stars and play in a huge tournament as well as having time to enjoy the park.



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We focus on the need to develop a sense of personal identity, whilst at the same time acquiring an awareness, understanding and tolerance of the cultural traditions and beliefs of others. We educate students to build on their cultural character through our fantastic humanities subjects. Students show a real love and passion for English Literature, Geography and History. This is fostered further through the wide range of languages on offer. Pupils are educated to appreciate aspects of their own heritage and others cultural traditions.



LET YOUR IMAGINATION FREE



Our Catholic ethos not only ensures for daily collective act of worship, but the Religious Education scheme of learning dedicates time to learning about other faiths and cultures. The pupils learn to understand and appreciate the similarities and differences between themselves and others. The school has a strong commitment to ensuring all students participate in creative subjects, and through subjects such as Dance, Drama, Performing Arts, Music, Art and Textiles, students are free to explore ways of expressing themselves. The huge participation in contributing to the annual school production, music and dance shows each year identifies the real impact, these subjects have on character building, confidence and self-esteem.



“There is a wide range of extra-curricular experiences that develop pupils’ spiritual, moral, social and cultural awareness.”
- Ofsted

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We respect and uphold our central belief that all pupils are uniquely made in God's own image for a specific role in this world. It is entrusted to all the staff of Maricourt to ensure that all pupils realise their full potential and develop as confident individuals.

All staff are committed to providing students with a solid foundation that allows students to have a healthy heart and a healthy mind and have the confidence and resilience to continue with this mindset into their adult life.



YOU ARE IN GOOD HANDS



"Leaders, including governors, have created a cohesive community where pupils are valued as individuals and cared for extremely well."
- Ofsted



Coping strategies, positive mindset, resilience training, Christian meditation and prayer are an important part of our school life. We have a designated Wellbeing Centre, Learning Support Centre, Student Services and Chapel.

The pastoral support system is a strength of the school with each year group having a progress leader and assistant progress leader. We have a school chaplain, learning mentors, a school nurse, careers advisor, SENDco, a number of designated safeguarding leads, SLT wellbeing lead and experienced form tutors.

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CREATE YOUR FUTURE WITH US



Pupils benefit from a robust careers, work related learning and enterprise programme which is often held up as best practice by the Liverpool City Region Careers Hub. This is supported heavily by our partners, Everton in the Community, Elevate, The Racing to Schools Aintree Racecourse Beacon project as well as many employer, university, apprenticeship provider and college links. Our extensive partnership work, employability and aspirations programme ensures destination data is progressive and consistent each year for all students.

We are proud of our strong alumni network, many of our past pupils support our CIAG programme and are an important part of supporting and raising the aspirations of our young people. Maricourt pupils stay part of the Maricourt family beyond their education years.

PSHEE and Citizenship ensures that students are educated to be well rounded individuals who show commitment to British Values and can live, work and sustain a healthy lifestyle in modern Britain with ease.



“Pupils in all year groups are well informed about the choices that are available to them for the next stage of their education, training or employment.”
- Ofsted

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Our reputation for academic success is enhanced by our commitment to providing a varied and enriched learning experience. Our excellent school facilities and our extensive extra curricular programme provide a wide range of opportunities for students to flourish and positively contribute to the school and the wider community. Clubs and educational visits are provided in all subject areas, this encourages personal growth and allows pupils to master their learning through enjoyment. The number of pupils completing the National Citizenship Service Programme and Duke of Edinburgh Award at all levels increases year on year.



BE INSPIRED, EXTRAS AND BEYOND



We are known by our local community and beyond as leading by example when it comes to volunteering and fundraising. Care, support and community spirit runs through the heart of the school.

The elected School Council enables pupil voice to be heard, this allows us to focus on continuous improvement and encourages us to be flexible to pupils needs. The Maricourt community aims to become stronger and stronger, forming community and friendship bonds that will last a lifetime.



"I loved it at Maricourt because the teachers always pushed me to reach my potential and there were so many opportunities to get involved with such as dance clubs, careers talks and events and trips and holidays (such as Alton towers, York, London, Spain, Italy and New York!)."
- Past pupil 2020

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