



St Joseph's Catholic and Anglican
High School Welcomes You!

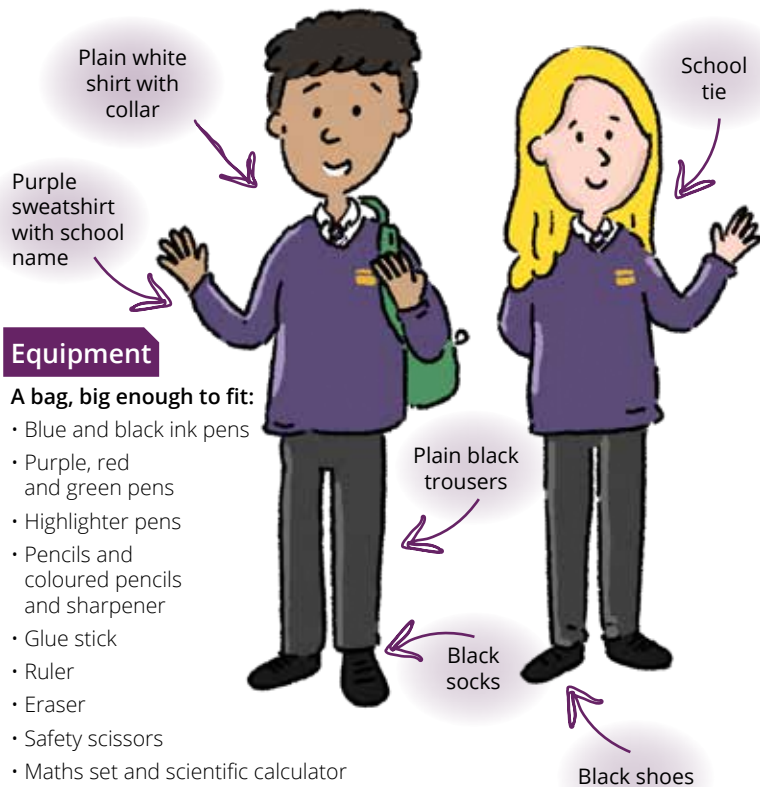
Mae Ysgol Sant Joseff yn eich croesawu!



What will I need for my first day?

Uniform

We have high standards at St Joseph's School, so it is important you come to school wearing the correct uniform from your first day.



Equipment

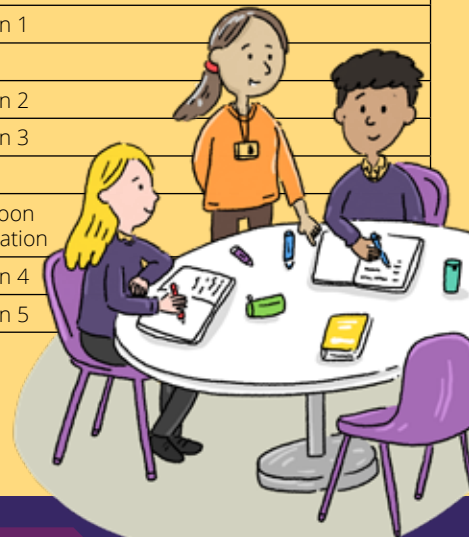
A bag, big enough to fit:

- Blue and black ink pens
- Purple, red and green pens
- Highlighter pens
- Pencils and coloured pencils and sharpener
- Glue stick
- Ruler
- Eraser
- Safety scissors
- Maths set and scientific calculator
- Rough notebook or jotter
- School planner (provided by school)

What will the school day look like?

Each school day will look like this:

8.50am	Be on the yard
9.00 – 9.10am	Registration
9.10 – 10.10am	Session 1
10.10 – 10.25am	Break
10.25 – 11.25am	Session 2
11.25 – 12.25pm	Session 3
12.25 – 1.25pm	Lunch
1.25 – 1.30pm	Afternoon registration
1.30pm – 2.30pm	Session 4
2.30 – 3.30pm	Session 5



What happens at lunchtime?

You will need to tell your Form Tutor whether you are having a school dinner, bringing sandwiches or going home for lunch. If you decide to change your plans, you must bring a note from your parent or carer.

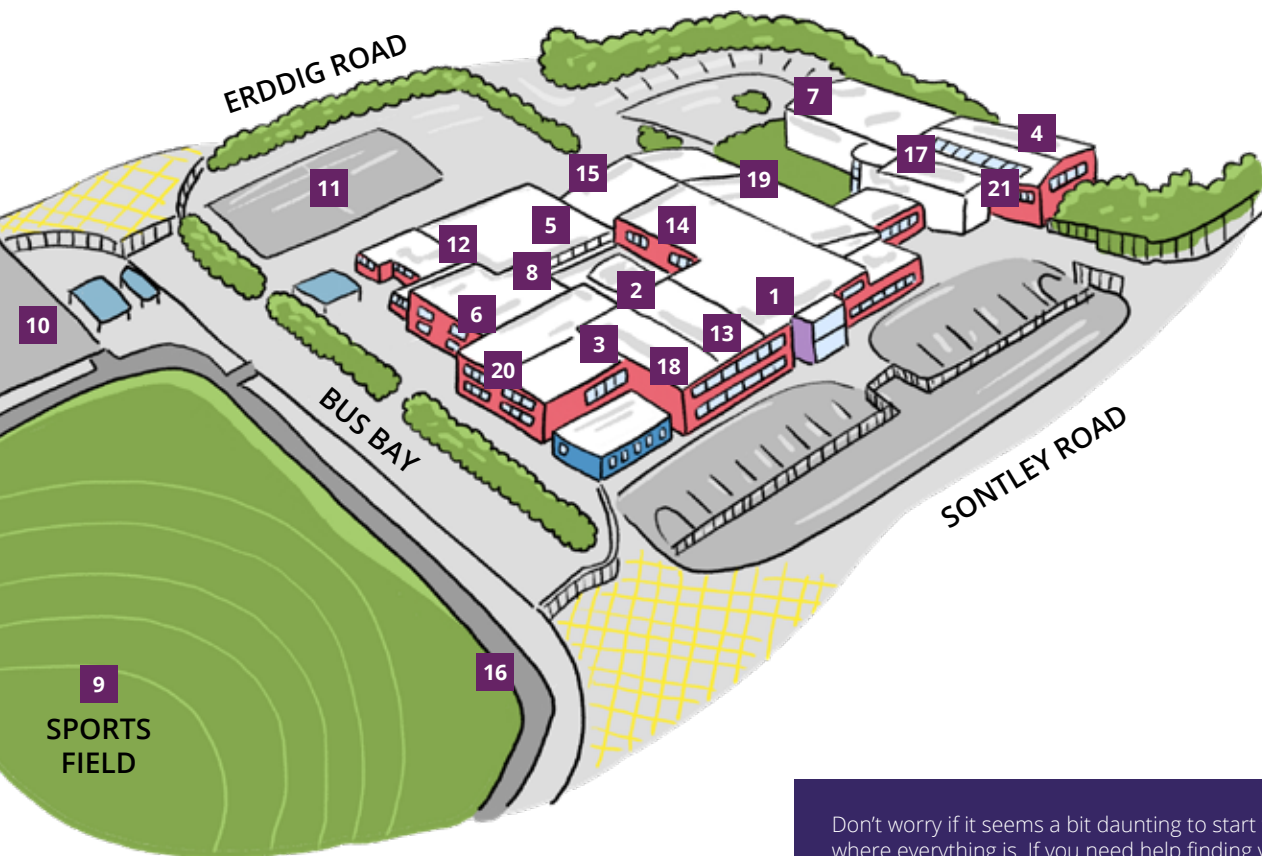
At break time, you can buy a snack. If it is raining, you can go to the Social Court.

We have a wide range of snacks and meals available at lunchtime.

After lunch, you can use indoor and outdoor spaces to meet your friends or exercise.

How will I find my way around the school?

Here is a map of the school



1. Main reception
2. Main Hall
3. Design Technology/
Food Technology
4. Art
5. Maths
6. Welsh
7. Sports Hall
8. Enfys
9. Sports Field
10. Tennis Courts
11. MUGAS
12. English
13. MFL
14. I.T.
15. Restaurant
16. Purple Path
17. Music/Drama
18. Geography/History
19. Gym
20. RE
21. Science

Don't worry if it seems a bit daunting to start with. You will soon know where everything is. If you need help finding your way round, all teachers, staff and fellow students will be happy to help!

What will I study?

You will study some subjects you did in primary school, plus some new ones.

They are:

- Religious Education
- Maths
- English
- Science
- Welsh
- Music
- Technology
- Art
- ICT
- Drama
- History
- Modern Foreign Languages
- Physical Education
- Geography

Homework

Homework will help you to embed what you have learned in school and develop good study habits. Here are some top homework tips:

- Do it as soon as you get home.
- Write your homework down clearly in your planner during the lesson.
- Make sure you take the correct books home.



What will you expect from me?

As a Christian school, Christ's message is central to school life. We expect you to follow our Gospel values of forgiveness, service, tolerance, purity, dignity, integrity, holiness, gratitude, justice, humility, compassion, peace, sacrifice, faithfulness, and gentleness.

Rewards

You will get reward slips when you have shown you have put in effort, had success or made a big contribution to school or wider community life.



What other activities will I do at St Joseph's?

You will find lots of fun activities to do at school, which are a great way to keep fit, learn a new skill or make new friends. You can do sporting activities at lunchtime and musical activities after school. You can also have music lessons (fee is payable).

We have lots of clubs and groups you can join. They include:

- Art
- DoE
- Choir
- Football
- Netball
- Bible Study
- Reading
- Coding
- Drama
- Urdd
- Athletics



Every year, our students go on exciting school trips. These include skiing, French and German trips, geography trips to Iceland and lots more.

In Year 7, you have the opportunity to go on retreat to Pantasaph, go skiing, visit Cardiff or go to Harry Potter Studios.

What if I need help?

The best person to speak to will be your Form Tutor.

You will see them every day and you will get to know them well. We will give you the name of your Form Tutor when you join us.

You can also speak to our Safeguarding Officer, Mrs Ellis, and your Head of Year, Mrs Roberts.

You can speak to them about any worries you have at school or elsewhere. They will listen and it always helps to talk.

You can also speak to our chaplains.

Chaplaincy

St Joseph's has two chaplains. Ms Woodward is the part-time Catholic lay chaplain, and Reverend Lara is the full-time Anglican (Church in Wales) chaplain.

If you need help, are worried or are going through a difficult time, they are available to sit, listen and pray with you. Throughout the week, the chapel is open to students to visit a chaplain, pray or destress.

School Prayer Gweddi'r Ysgol

Eternal God,
Whose Son, Jesus Christ, is the
Truth and the Life;
Grant us to walk In this way,
To rejoice In his Truth,
And to share In his risen life
In the power of the Holy Spirit,
One God, now and for ever.
Amen.

Helpa ni drwy ein dydd –
i fod yn hapus ac yn gryf.
Diolchwn am bopeth –
ein teulu a ffrindiau,
Addysg a phrofiadau.
Yn dy enw di. Amen



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