



St. Joseph's Catholic Infant School

Dear Parents, Carers and Families,

I'm delighted to introduce myself as the new Headteacher of St Joseph's Catholic Infant School. It's a true honour to join this Christ-centred community, and I look forward to walking this journey of faith and learning with you and your children.

I have been a teacher for over 20 years, most recently as Deputy Headteacher at St Robert's Catholic Primary school, Aberkenfig. Since arriving this week, I have received a wonderful, warm welcome from all I have met and feel very much a part of this joyful, inclusive and faith-filled school community. Within the school, we have a hugely committed team of staff and the most incredible children, which of course, is a great place for any new head to start!

At the heart of St Joseph's and my own leadership is a commitment to the Gospel values—love, compassion, respect, forgiveness, and service. These values guide our relationships, shape our learning, and inspire our children to grow into kind and thoughtful individuals. As a Catholic school, we are privileged to nurture each child's spiritual journey alongside their academic and personal development. We strive to ensure that every child is a capable, curious, and creative learner, and this is rooted in the understanding that children learn best through play, exploration, and meaningful experiences. Working with staff, we aim to provide a rich, nurturing environment where children feel safe, valued, and inspired to discover the world around them.

It is already very apparent to me that St Joseph's Infants is a close-knit community, with strong links to our families, parish and local area. I look forward to working in partnership with you to support the growth and happiness of our children during these precious early years. Together, we will continue to build a school community where every child can flourish—'Rooted in Christ'.

I am eager to learn from our wonderful children, collaborate with our talented staff, and uphold the strong foundations that make this school so special. Together, may we continue to grow in faith, learning, and love.

Many Thanks,

B.C. Murphy

Mrs. Barbara Murphy
Headteacher

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