**Mission Statement**

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St Anthony’s is committed to giving every pupil in our care the best start in life. Our Catholic ethos emphasises the spiritual dimension which reaches out to parents seeking an education that is both enriching and nurturing.

Identifying and fostering each boy’s potential is written into the school’s DNA.

We are guided by four key principles:

* The unique value of each child
* A school dedicated to service and kindness
* The promotion of good behaviour through reflection and growth
* A community that celebrates and supports each other

**School Aims**

* To promote the teaching of the Catholic faith and to provide an understanding and respect for the beliefs of others.
* To provide an informal, yet structured, happy environment where each member of the community is valued and secure and where there is a commitment to encouraging individual development.
* To promote high standards in all areas of school life.
* To encourage self-discipline, self-motivation, self-respect and respect for others.
* To provide a broad and balanced curriculum which encourages children to realise their potential.
* To foster a lively and varied learning environment.
* To work in partnership with parents encouraging regular dialogue in the best interests of the child.

**The Alpha Plus Gold Standard**

Alpha Plus Group, owned by Delancey, creates centres of educational excellence in our schools and Colleges. They strive to establish a climate of high expectations and there is a genuine and visible commitment to setting challenging targets, exceeding expectations and maximising individual achievement. A key feature in our success is the appointment and retention of high quality school leaders, teachers and support staff.

Our establishments benefit from cutting edge technology and modern learning environments. The school and college curricula are regularly reviewed to ensure their relevance and their potential to enable all our pupils to obtain first choice placements into destination schools and Higher Education institutions.

We are committed to maintaining and improving this level of quality and whilst each school is encouraged to retain its own individual ethos and identity, all Alpha schools and colleges have a number of common characteristics that enable them to maintain and enhance the Gold Standard.

 These include:

* High aspirations and expectations for all pupils and staff.
* Outstanding leadership at all levels and effective resource management.
* Working in partnership with parents.
* A focus upon and a passion for high quality teaching and learning.
* A commitment to self-review and continuous improvement that is underpinned by the celebration of success.