



Who We Are

St. Matthew's is a single form entry primary in serving the parish and community of Edgeley in Stockport. Some of the issues that affect our local community are low incomes, housing, inequality of opportunity and anti-social behaviour. National and global issues that affect us include climate change, public health and job insecurity. Our school is family and community orientated. We have good relationships with our families and our local church. Since 2013, we have been part of the Chester Diocesan Academy Trust, which provides us with strong support network based on Christian values.



Matthew 5, 14-16

“You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, **let your light shine** before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.

Our Vision

The vision for St. Matthew's is encapsulated in our school motto: **'Let Your Light Shine'**. We are always working to build a community in which everyone is empowered to know the best of themselves and to have the confidence to use their talents for the good of themselves and their communities. We help all members of our community to become resilient to the challenges that they face and to live a life that is rooted in the values of the Gospels.

Our Core Values

Our core values provide a foundation on which we build relationships and educational experiences. They stand as a framework against which we can test the daily life of the school. This is what we do.

Succeed: Our curriculum development and delivery enable children to develop key skills and wider talents to a high standard. Through strategic investment and deployment, we will reduce the impact of barriers to learning and personal development, such as deprivation and SEND. Through planned challenge, children will develop resilience and perseverance to enable them to succeed.

Hope: Inspired by Jesus' teachings, we face the challenges of the modern world in a manner that is full of hope. We will educate our pupils to become transformational citizens that affect positive change in local communities and across the globe.

Inspire: Through first class teaching, high-quality resources and engaging experiences, we broaden our pupils' knowledge of the world and increase opportunity. Children will develop a curiosity and wonder about the world.

Nurture: We know the love of God and we will help our children to develop into reflective and empathetic people. We focus on building positive relationships and enabling children to know what a positive, healthy relationship looks like. We target interventions based on individual and family need, having a positive impact on our whole community's physical, spiritual and mental wellbeing.

Empower: Children take ownership over their learning and behaviours. They contribute to decision making that affects themselves, their classes and the whole school. They learn about Christian and British values that enable them to become active citizens.



Our Community

