



ST IVO SCHOOL

GUIDING PRINCIPLES

WELCOME TO ST IVO SCHOOL

We are a large, mixed, inclusive and non-selective 11 - 18 community comprehensive school. This booklet sets out the essential principles, which define the ethos and practice of the school.

Students

- The students are the heart of the school, which seeks to develop the whole person.
- The abilities and aspirations of all our students are equally valued.
- Students are encouraged to participate in the school and local community with a strong sense of worth and belonging.
- Students have the right to a high quality education, and the responsibility to ensure that they endeavour to fulfil their potential.

Community

- We recognise the value of education as a life-long process.
- We recognise the vital role that parents/carers can play in the development of each individual student.
- We encourage and support local community projects and seek links with local business.
- We offer and promote a range of learning opportunities to every member of the community, so that skills and interests can be developed.

Within this framework there are essential non-negotiable principles.

We stand

FOR

- individual human worth
- equality of opportunity
- praising achievement
- respecting differences
- co-operation
- trust

We will not tolerate words or actions contrary to these principles eg physical and verbal abuse, racism or sexism.

Curriculum

- We provide all students with a wide range of challenging and rewarding learning experiences. These are provided within a balanced and broad curriculum, the aim of which is to prepare students for their future role and ambitions in society.

Environment

- Students and staff are expected to accept responsibility for maintaining the quality of the learning, social and recreational areas.

Staff

Staff have a fundamental role in promoting the ethos of the school.

- We are a school which recognises the value of a well motivated staff.
- Staff are supported in their continuing professional development.

The guiding principles of this booklet are reflected in the range of policy documents that exist in the school. Together they should enable us all to work successfully and in partnership at St Ivo.