

Loyola Preparatory School

School Mission Statement



Ad Majorem Dei Gloriam
To the Greater Glory of God

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This mission statement applies to all pupils and staff at Loyola Preparatory School including those in Early Years Foundation Stage.

Aims

Every Catholic school has a mission statement that encapsulates its distinctive nature or core purpose. A mission is a special goal or purpose, one that is accompanied by a strong conviction or calling.

At Loyola, as part of our 2025 Jubilee pledge, we worked with teachers, support staff, governors, parents, clergy and children to re-visit our mission statement and ensure that it was meaningful and relevant. Our “motto” remains the same and is displayed throughout the school:

“Ad Majorem Dei Gloriam” – (everything we do is) to the greater glory of God






It will seek to identify and develop a range of skills, techniques and abilities within its pupils which will serve the individual in future life, but will also be put to use as an expression of the Greater Glory of God, both in the personal development of the self and in service to others and the community.

Our explanation of how this is achieved through our values has been made more child friendly. This is by including signing so that it is accessible even to our youngest in the school community and is regularly spoken about in class, assemblies and through policy and practice.

Our mission statement places our Jesuit principles at the heart of all we do and shows that Christ is at the centre. It will seek to identify and develop a range of skills, techniques and abilities within our pupils which will serve the individual in future life, but will also be put to use as an expression of the Greater Glory of God, both in the personal development of the self and in service to others and the community.

Loyola recognises and accepts the values to be identified as aims of all Jesuit schools. We try to uphold our values not only in school but also in our homes and the wider community.

Loyola Values

	<p>We do everything for God’s Glory: We do everything with love for God and to make Him proud. <i>Ad Majorem Dei Gloriam (AMDG): Living and learning for the greater glory of God.</i></p>
	<p>We care for everyone: Be kind and look after each other. <i>Cura Personalis: Caring for each person as a whole — body, mind, and spirit.</i></p>
	<p>We do our best: We always try hard and keep learning. <i>Magis: Striving for excellence and seeking to do more for God and others.</i></p>
	<p>We see God everywhere: We find God in people and the world. He is always with us. <i>Finding God in All Things: Recognising God’s presence in every aspect of life.</i></p>
	<p>We help others: We share, care, and stand up for what is right. <i>Men and Women for Others: Forming people of compassion, justice, and service.</i></p>

Our Vision

By the end of their time in a Jesuit School such as Loyola, it is hoped that young people are:

- Developing and deepening a relationship with God in reflection on their own experience.
- Happy, friendly and self-confident, with a sense of humour and an awareness of their God given gifts and the need to fulfil their potential for good.
- Seen to have a generosity of spirit and a readiness to place their talents at the disposal of others, especially the most needy.
- In the process of deepening their understanding of who Christ is and of living out their faith more fully.
- Well prepared to take their place in wider society unmotivated by prestige or selfish ambition and aware of how fully they can contribute to the common good.
- Ready to ask, "What more can I do, what more can I give?" in every walk of life.
- Proud of having belonged to a Jesuit school community with respect for its values and those who taught them.

Ignatian principles of service for others, justice and working for the Greater Glory of God are enshrined in the ethos of the school. The pupils are made aware of the Jesuit tradition of the school through the school prayer and liturgy, chaplaincy, contacts with other Jesuit schools and through the annual celebration in honour of St. Ignatius.

As a Catholic school, we have been a part of the Jubilee year of Hope and have decided to continue being Pilgrims of Hope after the Jubilee year ends. We will strive to put faith into action so that earth will reflect the peace and justice of heaven itself. We will help our pupils and staff to be their very best selves. To be caring, compassionate and responsive to the needs of all our global family. We will follow our mission statement and offer our talents, our energy, our eyes, our hands and our hearts to care for our neighbours and for all of God's creation.