



St. Anthony's Girls' Catholic Academy

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Dear Parent/Carer,

St. Anthony's Girls' Catholic Academy awarded World Class School Status December 13th 2019.

We are absolutely delighted to inform you that St. Anthony's Girls' Catholic Academy has been awarded World Class School status.

This is the second major award received by the academy this term. It follows, "International School" status awarded by the British Council earlier this term.

There were four main stages to the World Class School status nomination and application:

- **School Nomination** - We were nominated by an award holder (Carmel College Darlington). This was followed by a desk top data assessment and a visit from WCSQM staff, a tour of the academy, meetings and interviews with staff and students - Spring 2019.
- **Student Video** - Our students created a video, "A week in the life of St. Anthony's" (Y12) - June 2019.
- **Student Audit** - Our students undertook a substantial audit of all aspects of school life during July - September 2019 (Y8 and Y9).
- **Student Assessment** - some members of our student team undertook a day long assessment at the Assessment Centre in Reading October 2019 (Y8 and Y9).

A huge thank you to the students, and staff, who took part in every stage of the process. Particular thanks to the Y12 students who created, "A week in the life of St. Anthony's Academy" video. Thanks also to the Y8 and Y9 students who undertook the Audit, the Assessment Centre Challenge and two from the team who represented the school at the Award Ceremony held at Lady Mitchell Hall (University of Cambridge) on the evening of Friday December 13th 2019.

Congratulations to the girls of St. Anthony's who thoroughly deserve this special recognition and award.

Best wishes,

M. Shepherd.

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