

## Saint Columba's National School North Strand Dublin 3

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Adopted by the Board of Management on 17<sup>th</sup> June 2004, the teachers on 25<sup>th</sup> May 2004, the parents and pupils on 15<sup>th</sup> May 2004. Reviewed by the Board of Management on 13<sup>th</sup> May 2009.

The school stands in the grounds of the North Strand Church of Ireland Church. The prayer which lies beneath the foundation stone of the Church is;

"May the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost, rest upon this place, and be enjoyed here continually, and may Harmony, Peace and Love ever abound among those who may be congregated here through every succeeding age..."

We hope that the spirit of this prayer influences our daily lives and interaction with each other.

We aim to provide an education for the children, as defined by the Primary Curriculum. This seeks to develop the child in many aspects i.e. Intellectual, Physical, Cultural, Aesthetic, Moral, Spiritual and Personal.

We believe that it is the personal experiences of the children which will be their lasting memory of the school. Therefore, while delivering the Curriculum, we must be mindful of reaching each child as an individual, yet within a multi-class situation.

The atmosphere of participating in education for teachers and children alike must be imbibed with truthfulness and trust, admiration, encouragement, patience, respect, fairness, honesty and laughter.

The school should be a welcoming place to include all families who apply, especially people who feel they may be in a minority, taking cognisance of our enrolment policy.

We aim to give children such experiences as will fit them to be educated, well-balanced young adults with a sense of fulfilment and direction, knowing their talents, and eager to pursue their lives as citizens, with a keen sense of commitment, justice and joy.