



*In the Light of Jesus  
we Learn to Shine*

## **St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School**

### **Fairtrade Policy**

**Ratified by Governors**

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This policy must be reviewed every 3 years

### **NON - STATUTORY**

We have carefully considered the impact of this policy on equality and the possible implications for pupils with protected characteristics, as part of our commitment to meet the Public Sector Equality Duty (PSED) requirement to have due regard to the need to eliminate discrimination, advance equality of opportunity and foster good relations.

## Introduction

St. Joseph's Primary School is committed to supporting Fair Trade wherever possible. Our commitment is a reflection of a declaration in our mission statement that "In the Light of Jesus, we learn to Shine". Through our mission we enable our students spread the light of Jesus to the wider community and our global family; we are dedicated to serving Jesus by supporting Fairtrade.

At St. Joseph's we use Fairtrade as a platform to introduce and raise awareness of the wider issues about fairness and equality in the world, such as global justice, ethical trade and sustainable development. It also complements our association and commitment to local and global charities, such as CAFOD.

Fairtrade supports small-scale farmers and workers in developing countries. This means making sure that they have decent working conditions on the farms as well as receiving a fair and secure income for what they produce.

## Our Pledge

At St. Joseph's we pledge to:

- Undertake curriculum activities to enhance pupil's awareness of Fair Trade, and ensure Fair Trade is taught as part of appropriate subjects.
- Encourage the use of Fairtrade products wherever possible, e.g. use Fair Trade tea, coffee and sugar in the staffroom and for meetings and events; use Fair Trade ingredients for any cooking activities; encourage the purchase of Fair Trade equipment.
- Explore sourcing school uniform from suppliers committed to Fairtrade.
- Promote Fair Trade within the school community, particularly during Fairtrade Fortnight, through community events and by raising awareness through activities such as the Fairtrade Tuck Shop.

## Endorsements

This policy is supported by:

The Board of Governors:	<i>J. Healy</i>	Chair of Governors
The Staff:	<i>S. Killian</i>	Deputy Headteacher & RE Subject Leader
The Fairtrade group:	<i>J. D'Ino</i>	Fairtrade Coordinator