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A place to belong.
A place to grow.

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School prospectus | Serve, Grow, Live

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Welcome to Llandaff City

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A WELCOME FROM THE HEADTEACHER

Choosing the right primary school for your child is one of the most important decisions you will make as a parent. At Llandaff City Church in Wales Primary School, we understand just how important it is to find a school where your child feels happy, safe, valued and inspired to learn.



At the heart of our school is a strong sense of community, rooted in our Christian values and our commitment to providing the very best education for every child. We believe that each child is unique, with their own talents, strengths and potential. Our aim is to nurture these qualities, encouraging every child to flourish academically, socially, emotionally and spiritually.

We are proud of the warm, caring and inclusive environment we have created, where children are encouraged to be curious, confident and ambitious in their learning. We have high expectations of achievement, behaviour and kindness, and we celebrate not only individual successes but also the importance of supporting and encouraging one another.

Strong relationships are central to everything we do. We value the close partnerships we have built between pupils, staff, parents and governors, alongside our connections with the local and wider community. Our special relationship with Llandaff Cathedral further enriches school life and helps to strengthen the Christian values that underpin our school.

Our dedicated and talented staff work together to provide engaging, meaningful and enriching learning experiences that inspire children to discover their interests, develop their skills and achieve their very best. Above all, we want every child to feel a genuine sense of belonging and to leave our school with happy memories, strong foundations and the confidence to embrace future opportunities.

While our website and prospectus offer a glimpse into life at Llandaff City, nothing compares to experiencing our school first-hand. We warmly invite you to visit, meet our wonderful pupils and staff, and see for yourself what makes our school such a special place.

We look forward to welcoming you to our school community.

Mrs Gen Hallett (Headteacher)

Rooted in Llandaff

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At Llandaff City, our Christian vision calls children to use their God-given talents to serve others, grow and realise their potential, and live out Gospel values. Serve, Grow, Live is how we talk about that purpose in our classrooms, playgrounds and community.



Serve one another

Here at Llandaff City, we want every child to know they have something to give. In our classrooms and playgrounds, serving might mean a kind word, including someone in a game or caring for our shared spaces. Through pupil roles, children practise compassion, generosity and justice, and see how small actions help others belong.

Grow with purpose

We encourage our pupils to ask questions, try unfamiliar things and recognise the strengths they are developing. Our teachers build on what each child knows, while visits, music, sport and outdoor learning offer new ways to shine. We celebrate progress together, including the courage to learn from a mistake, listen to a friend and try again with confidence.

LIVE OUT OUR VALUES

We see our vision in the everyday choices pupils make: showing courage, forgiving a friend and treating one another with respect.

A curriculum for every child

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At Llandaff City, our Big Ideas bring subjects together and give children meaningful questions to explore. We build strong foundations while making room for creativity, discussion and the curiosity our pupils bring to school each day.

Strong foundations

We weave reading, writing, maths and digital skills through learning at Llandaff City. Children practise them often, then use them to explain ideas, investigate questions and create work they are proud to share.



Engaging experiences

Our Big Ideas connect classroom learning with the world pupils know, so there is always a reason to be curious. Practical activities, thoughtful talk and visits help them explore ideas for themselves.

High expectations

Our teachers notice each child's next step and offer support or challenge at the right time. We encourage resilience, kindness and creativity, and celebrate the pride pupils take in a job well done.

LEARNING BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

Our choirs, sports teams, clubs, outdoor spaces and visits give pupils many ways to discover a new interest and share their talents with others.





Faith in school life

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At Llandaff City, our Christian vision is part of the welcome children receive and the way we care for one another. We make space for worship and reflection, while respecting and including families of different beliefs.





Our Christian ethos

Our vision is inspired by Jesus and asks pupils to use their God-given talents for others. In collective worship and our values curriculum, we explore compassion, courage, forgiveness, justice, hope and thankfulness. We look for these values in everyday school life: a child helping a friend, acting fairly, caring for creation or trying again after a setback. Every family is welcome, and we encourage each pupil to let kindness guide their choices.

Religion, Values and Ethics

In our RVE lessons, we welcome the big questions Llandaff City children bring to school. Through stories, discussion and reflection, pupils learn about Christianity alongside other religions and worldviews. We help them listen carefully, explain their own ideas and consider what matters to someone else. These conversations connect naturally with our Christian values, while giving every child space to think, wonder and reach their own understanding.

“You are the light that gives light to the world. A city that is built on a hill cannot be hidden.” Matthew 5:14

Llandaff Cathedral

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Our link with Llandaff Cathedral is a special part of school life. As children worship with the Cathedral community and explore the place on their doorstep, they come to know its stories, its people and their own part in a wider church family.





Worship together

At Llandaff City, we gather to hear Bible stories, sing, pray and reflect on how Christian teaching shapes our daily lives. Our Worship Squad helps to lead, while class worship gives pupils time to raise questions and share their thoughts together.

A place to belong

Cathedral clergy join us in school, and our pupils take part in services at the Cathedral through the Christian year. Families and neighbours share these occasions with us. As children return to this historic place, it becomes somewhere familiar and meaningful to them.

FIND OUT MORE

Discover more about our Cathedral community, its worship and events at llandaffcathedral.org.uk. Our school office can also tell you about the ways Llandaff City pupils take part.

Welsh and Cynefin

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We are proud to be an English-medium school in Wales, and at Llandaff City we make Welsh language and local heritage part of everyday life. Children grow in confidence as they use Welsh and discover the stories of the place they call home.

From Reception to Year 6, we teach useful Welsh words and patterns, then encourage pupils to use them in greetings, routines and conversations around our school.

Our Helpwr Heddiw sessions give children regular chances to speak Welsh. Visits and our annual Eisteddfod bring language and culture to life across Llandaff City.

We begin with Llandaff and the Cathedral when exploring Cynefin, so pupils can understand their own place in Wales while remaining curious about other communities and the wider world.



Relationships and respect

At Llandaff City, we make time to talk about the friendships and families children know, as well as kindness, boundaries and respect. Through age-appropriate Relationships and Sexuality Education, stories and discussion, we help pupils think about being a good friend, speaking up if something feels wrong and recognising that everyone deserves dignity. We encourage children to talk to trusted adults, and families are welcome to discuss what is taught with us.

Every child matters

Here at Llandaff City, we learn what makes each child tick: the things they enjoy, the strengths they bring and the help they may need. We work with families and adapt learning so every pupil can take part, feel known and make progress.





Additional learning needs

Our teachers adapt learning so children with different needs can join in and experience success alongside their classmates. We listen to families, draw on specialist advice where helpful and, when appropriate, use an Individual Development Plan to set out and review support. At Llandaff City, this is an ongoing conversation: we want pupils to feel comfortable asking for help and proud of every step forward.

Challenge and opportunity

At Llandaff City, we encourage children to follow their curiosity and have a go at something new. In lessons, teachers help pupils think more deeply, explain their ideas and build on what they already know. Choirs, sports teams, clubs and responsibilities around school offer other ways to discover what they enjoy. We take pride in their effort and growing confidence, whether they are solving a tricky problem, singing with others or taking on a new role.

If your child has an access need, please talk to us: we want every Llandaff City pupil to be able to enjoy our learning spaces and school life.

A safe, caring school

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At Llandaff City, we want children to feel known and safe enough to try, make mistakes and ask for help. Our staff build warm relationships with pupils and work with families to help them navigate challenges and enjoy their friendships.



Positive behaviour

At Llandaff City, we notice kindness, effort and care for others as well as academic progress. House points, pupil roles and assembly celebrations recognise these choices, while clear expectations help children understand how we treat one another. We want them to see how their actions make our school a happier place.

Social and emotional support

When feelings run high or friendships become difficult, our staff help pupils reflect, listen and repair what has happened. We talk with families to understand what each child needs and agree how we can support them together, at school and at home. Our aim is for every pupil to feel heard and ready to rejoin learning.

If you are worried about a child's safety or wellbeing, please contact our school office promptly so that the safeguarding team can help.

Find your place, have your say

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At Llandaff City, children can be readers, musicians, team players, helpers and leaders. We want each pupil to discover what they love, have a say in school life and know that their contribution matters to our community.





Pupil voice

Our School Council and Eco-Council give pupils a way to listen to classmates and bring their ideas to staff. Children also take responsibility through worship, events and other roles across school. When we act on their suggestions, they see that their voices can improve the places where they learn and play, and they grow in confidence as members of Llandaff City.

Clubs and achievements

At Llandaff City, we love seeing children discover their interests and share their talents. Our choirs give singers room to grow, while sports teams and clubs invite pupils to try something different and make friends. We celebrate the confident performance and the first brave attempt alike; what matters is the teamwork, effort and joy pupils bring to it.

When our pupils help shape Llandaff City, they see the difference they can make for their friends, their school and the environment.

Room to learn and play

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From our class libraries and music room to our halls, playing field and wildlife area, Llandaff City has places for children to read, create, perform, investigate and play. We use these spaces to give learning energy and friendships room to grow.





Inside

In our classrooms, pupils talk through ideas, create and learn to work independently. Class libraries keep books close at hand; in the music room and halls, pupils sing, rehearse, perform and celebrate together. We also use technology to help pupils investigate and share their discoveries.

Outside

Our playing field and playgrounds give children room to run and play together. The outdoor classroom, garden and wildlife area invite pupils to observe living things, investigate and care for our environment. These spaces connect Llandaff City's learning to the world around us.

We value the conversations, discoveries and friendships that begin when Llandaff City children learn and play outside.

Working with families

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At Llandaff City, we know that families understand their children in ways we could not without them. We keep conversations open, share the learning children are proud of and welcome parents and carers into the life of our school.

Stay connected

ClassDojo keeps Llandaff City families up to date with school news, and Seesaw shares classroom learning. Older classes may use Google Classroom for homework. Our office can arrange a conversation with your child's teacher.



Talk about progress

At our parent and carer meetings, we celebrate your child's progress and agree helpful next steps together. If something is worrying you between meetings, contact our office; we would rather talk early and work it through with you.

Learn together

We encourage families to read together, talk about new ideas and practise spellings or maths for a few minutes. When children share what excites them about learning, we can celebrate their progress together.

PTFA and volunteers

Our PTFA welcomes new families, brings people together at events and raises money for projects that enrich Llandaff City. We also value parents who help with reading, trips or practical activities, share a skill with a class, or tell us what we could do better. These contributions make school feel like a community children and families help to shape.

Joining Llandaff City

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We know that choosing a school and settling in can feel like a big step. At Llandaff City, we want you to meet our pupils and staff, understand how to apply and feel welcomed long before your child's first morning with us.

01 Visit us

Call our school office to arrange a visit, explore Llandaff City's classrooms and meet pupils and staff before you apply.

02 Apply for Reception

For September 2027 entry, apply through Cardiff Council's portal between 16 November 2026 and 15 January 2027.

03 Get ready

When we offer your child a place, "Ready, Steady, Go!" activities introduce them to our school, staff and new friends.

04 Other year groups

For another year group or a late Reception 2026 enquiry, our office can help on 029 2056 5932.



Admissions at a glance

Our Reception intake has 60 places, and families of any faith or none may apply to Llandaff City. For September 2027, use the Cardiff Council admissions page by 15 January 2027. Offers are sent on 16 April, with replies due by 30 April. Our school admissions page has the latest guidance; for other year groups, please ask our office about available places. We look forward to helping your child feel at home here.

The school day

Our school day balances learning, play and time together, with a familiar routine that helps children settle. We want Llandaff City families to know when each part of the day begins and how to reach us if a child is absent.

SCHOOL DAY TIMES

Reception to Year 2	Morning 8:50 - 12:00 Afternoon 1:05 - 3:10
Year 3 to Year 6	Morning 8:50 - 12:10 Afternoon 1:05 - 3:15

We give all year groups a 15-minute morning break. Our office can confirm the latest daily timings.



Attendance

If your child is unwell or absent, please tell our office so we know they are safe and can keep in touch. Being here regularly helps Llandaff City pupils share in learning, friendships and the small moments that make a school day. If getting to school becomes difficult, come and talk to us early. We will listen, agree practical steps with you and review what helps your child feel ready to return.

Please notify the office by 9:30 am on each day your child is absent.

How our school is led

At Llandaff City, our staff and governors keep children, Christian values and the quality of learning at the centre of decisions. We listen to families, review how we are doing and work together to make our school better.



Governing body

Our governors help protect what is distinctive about Llandaff City: our Christian ethos, strong Cathedral link and ambition for every child. They bring perspectives from families, staff, the local authority, the Diocese and Cathedral Parish. As they oversee admissions, staffing, finance and policies, they ask how each decision will support pupils and help our school keep improving.

Policies and guidance

We set out how Llandaff City keeps children safe and helps them learn and belong through policies on safeguarding, attendance, inclusion, behaviour, accessibility, charging and health and safety. Families can find current guidance through our website or ask the office for a copy. We welcome questions and use what we hear to make our practice clearer and more helpful.

We value families' views because they help us reflect on what Llandaff City does well and where we can improve.



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COME AND SEE US

We would love to meet you.

We would love to show you Llandaff City in action: the children learning together, the people who care for them and the places they call their own. Come and ask us questions, meet our pupils and staff, and see whether this feels like the right school for your family.

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