

September 2024

Dear Parent/ Carer,

**St Gabriel's School Community Open Evening for Year 5 and Year 6
Thursday 19 September 2024 – 5pm – 7pm**

You are very welcome to join our St Gabriel's School Community for our **Open Evening on Thursday, 19 September from 5.00pm - 7.00pm.**

Year 6 pupils will be applying for a place for admission in September 2025 and Year 5 pupils will be applying for a place in September 2026. This is an opportunity for you and your family to tour our school and meet our teachers and some of our pupils.

Our open evening provides you, as a family, an opportunity to view all areas of school life. Pupils and staff will be able to discuss their subject areas with you, demonstrate a selection of learning experiences and discuss both the academic and pastoral life of our school.

Please could we request you do not park on the double yellow lines at school. Please consider parking away from the school premises and walking down to school. The local traffic warden often patrols during school events.

When you arrive at school, we have arranged for each child to receive an information pack: we trust it will be a useful source of information. This contains a quick guide to the open evening outlining activities taking place in different areas of the school. It provides you with an idea of the richness and quality of our school life.

The Head will be giving a short presentation at 5.30pm and 6.30pm on the evening in the school hall which you are welcome to join.

A summary of the school's admission policy is on the website. Whilst the Local Authority (LA) write to parents informing them of their nearest community school for their child(ren), the LA do not inform parents of the availability of places at Roman Catholic secondary schools served from Roman Catholic parishes. You still apply on the Bury Council website as described in the LA letter to you. If you wish your child to be considered under the faith criterion, a Supplementary Information Form must be completed and returned to St Gabriel's **with a copy of your child's baptismal certificate.** This is available on our website.

If you aspire to an outstanding learning experience for your son or daughter in a Catholic school, we look forward to welcoming you in person to St Gabriel's on 19 September. We hope that you are able to join us and have an enjoyable evening.

Yours sincerely,

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