



PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT

**AT ENGLISH MARTYRS CATHOLIC
VOLUNTARY ACADEMY
OAKHAM**



OUR MISSION & VALUES

“We grow and learn with the gifts we have been given, following in the footsteps of Jesus.”

- Rooted in Christian values and our Ten Virtues
- Commitment to excellence, equity, and service
- Personal Development underpins academic success and life readiness





OUR CONTEXT

- Small rural school with high diversity
- 16 languages spoken
- Wide variation in access to cultural capital
- Includes:
 - Pupil Premium pupils
 - Service children
 - Families impacted by rural deprivation

Our PD vision focuses on creating equitable life experiences for all

BUILDING CULTURAL CAPITAL

(CAREFULLY SEQUENCED)

Trips, visits, and experiences planned over time

Click the black circles to learn more!



Key Stage One

Pantomime at Melton Theatre
First exposure to theatre
& performance spaces



Key Stage Two

Performances at De Montfort
Hall & Birmingham Arena
Children perform on stage
themselves



Curriculum Enrichment

Richard III workshops
Code4Drones
Maths Challenge



National & Local visits







Museums
Parliament



Experiences build into a secure knowledge base

OUR EXPERIENCES

Click on the yellow link buttons to learn more!

MUSIC & THE ARTS	PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT, PLAY & WELLBEING	MENTAL HEALTH & EMOTIONAL WELLBEING
Active Choir	Platinum Sports Award	 Forest School & OPAL support emotional regulation
Young Voices	Wide range of sports	
Concerts at De Montfort Hall	 County Representation National Gymnastics Finals	Working towards Nature Accreditation Emotional resilience SEND focused support
 Music Lessons (supported for PP pupils)	 Forest School	
 Annual Music Celebration Evening for families	 OPAL Play (daily) Meaningful play Communication & social development	

Ensuring all children can
participate, perform
and achieve

Countering digital
lifestyles and
promoting wellbeing

Wellbeing is a core
PD priority,
not an add-on



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STUDENT LEADERSHIP & PUPIL VOICE	INCLUSION, DIVERSITY & BRITISH VALUES	CAREERS & ASPIRATIONS (STEM FOCUS)
Developing confidence and leadership skills School Parliament Eco Leaders Sports Leaders School Librarians	Fundamental British Values embedded	Annual Careers Week
	Coverage of protected characteristics	Visiting speakers from varied professions
	Diverse class texts	Strong focus on STEM Encouraging girls into STEM pathways
	World faiths & Multi-Faith Week	PSHE links Careers education Finance & life skills
	Black History Month	

Builds confidence, communication & responsibility.

Particularly impactful for vulnerable pupils



Widening horizons in a predominantly white rural context

Preparing pupils for future choices and opportunities

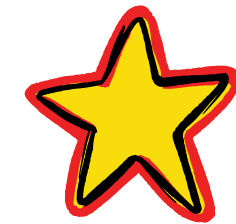
IMPACT



Increased cultural capital
for all pupils



100% of PP pupils access
extra-curricular clubs



Confident, resilient, well-
rounded learners



Children ready for life
beyond English Martyrs