## St Clare's Abbey Primary School and Nursery Unit

## **Inspection Summary Report - February 2025**

- The school's vision "Loving God, Loving Others and Loving Learning" is integral to and fully infused into all aspects of school life. The inspirational leadership team empowers all members of St Clare's Abbey Primary School and Nursery Unit to thrive and fulfil their potential.
- The children are creative, confident and resilient learners who achieve high standards in communication, using mathematics and digital skills, and who have well-developed thinking skills and personal capabilities.
- The meaningfully connected curriculum fosters the holistic development of the children, supporting their academic and personal growth and ensuring they are wellprepared for the next stage of their learning.
- The pioneering and innovative play-based learning programme sparks the children's curiosity, encourages critical thinking and allows the children to explore the authentic resources and take risks in their learning.
- There is a comprehensive, consistent and collegial approach to planning for learning, across the school and nursery unit, which is wholly child led and meets very effectively the needs, interests and abilities of all the children.
- The school's use of digital technology is sector-leading, providing extensive opportunities across the curriculum for the children to develop digital skills for life.
- The rich nurture provision and the Educational Centre for Physical Difficulties (ECPD) are at the heart of the culture of inclusion in this school. The children are cherished and thriving both socially and academically with the support of the dedicated and skilful staff.

The exemplary and inclusive provision for Special Educational Needs (SEN) is research informed, adaptive and highly effective and enables each child to overcome barriers and make measurable progress in their learning.

- The school values collaboration with all stakeholders and has created a successful and inclusive community of learning which benefits the growth and development of all.
- At the time of the inspection, the evidence provided by the school demonstrates that the arrangements for child protection align to the current statutory guidance.

## **Going forward**

- The school's vision in St Clare's Abbey Primary School and Nursery Unit is integral to and fully infused into all aspects of school life. This is evident in the lovely rapport and positive interactions between the children and staff, and the calm, nurturing environment that permeates the school. Everyone in the school community is committed to try their best to be 'Gentle, Generous, Hardworking, Fair, Well-mannered and Honest'. The children are happy, flourish in their learning and strive to be the best they can be.
- Inspectors identified aspects of highly effective practice from which others may learn. The aspects of practice which should be shared more widely include:
  - the exemplary and inclusive provision for children experiencing challenges and barriers to their learning;
  - the innovative and progressive indoor and outdoor play-based learning programme; and
  - the sector-leading provision for the development of the children's digital skills.



Education and Training Inspectorate Empowering Improvement Providing inspection services for: Department of Education Department for the Economy and other commissioning Departments

