



Uniform

School uniforms help to define the ethos of a school and the standards expected. They help give pupils pride in their school and make them ambassadors for their school in the community. The College uniform reflects the grey habits worn by Bridgettine canons and the badge carries the symbol of the order with crossed palms recalling the martyrdom of St Richard Reynolds. The red cross represents the Passion of Christ and the white centre, the Blessed Sacrament.

Location and building

The College will be situated at Clifden Road, Twickenham, TW1 4LT. This site, its buildings and playing fields are currently occupied by the Richmond Adult and Community College, which is moving to its campus in Richmond. It was formerly the home of the Twickenham Girls' Grammar School.



Work is underway to convert the magnificent Edwardian building into a modern state-of-the-art educational institution. The primary school will be a separate building on the same site with its own entrance. Plans and news of progress will be available on the College website soon.



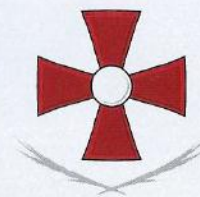
St Richard Reynolds

The College has been placed under the Patronage of a saint with local connections: Saint Richard Reynolds O.S.S., was a Bridgettine Canon of Syon Abbey, founded in Twickenham by Henry V. He was born in Devon in 1492, Educated at Corpus Christi, Cambridge, and joined the Abbey in 1513. He was martyred at Tyburn on 4th May 1535 with three Carthusian Priors John Houghton, Robert Lawrence and Augustine Webster (a monk of Sheen Priory in Richmond) for refusing the Oath of Supremacy. Richard Reynolds

was beatified in 1886 and canonised by Pope Paul VI as one of the Forty Martyrs of England and Wales on 25th October 1970. His feast day is 4th May.

Legal Action by the British Humanist Association

The British Humanists Association and one of their local members, Mr Jeremy Rodell, have applied for a Judicial Review into the council's decision to approve the proposals from the Diocese in an attempt to prevent the schools from opening. The BHA campaigns for an end to all schools with a religious character. The Council, the Diocese and the Department for Education are each confident that they have acted lawfully throughout what was an extended consultation exercise and democratic process, and they are confident the Court will confirm this. The law imposes a statutory duty on both the Diocese and the Council to implement the proposals that have been approved and we will therefore be complying with that duty to ensure that the schools are ready to open in September 2013.



OPEN DAY

Saturday 20th October 2012
Primary school: 9am • Secondary school: 11am
at RACC main hall, Clifton Road, TW1 4LT

ST RICHARD REYNOLDS CATHOLIC COLLEGE

ST RICHARD REYNOLDS CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL
ST RICHARD REYNOLDS CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

Information summary for parents

Opening September 2013

"This is one of the most significant developments for the local Catholic community for generations"

St Richard Reynolds Catholic College is the name of the Federation which includes St Richard Reynolds Catholic High School and the St Richard Reynolds Catholic Primary School to be housed on the same site. The establishment of the long-awaited new Catholic secondary school in the London Borough of Richmond upon Thames, along with its associated Catholic primary school is the fulfilment of the tireless campaign by the local Catholic community and others, supported by successive councils, to see a Catholic secondary school in this borough. The College will collaborate with and complement the family of schools in Richmond to add diversity and choice in the borough.



"The new high school will build on the outstanding achievements and reputation of the Catholic primary schools in the borough"

As Catholic schools, Catholic teaching and practice will permeate every aspect of the College's activity and daily prayer and worship will be integral to the curriculum. The school will provide an education that aims at excellence in academic achievement and in which personal and spiritual development are of paramount importance. Pupils will be given every opportunity to develop their talents to the full and to discover how they can use these gifts for the good of society in a happy, well-ordered and caring environment.

"The school will promote equality and diversity and prepare pupils for life in a multi-cultural, multi-faith society"

The College will have close links to the six excellent Catholic primary schools in Richmond and other schools in the local area. It will work in partnership with the Local Authority, and the Dioceses of Westminster and Southwark to assist pupils in reaching the highest levels of achievement academically, physically and spiritually.

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Ethos and Religious Character

The school is founded by the Diocese of Westminster and is part of the Catholic Church's international family of schools. Religious education in the school will be in accordance with the teachings of the Catholic Church; and religious worship will be in accordance with its rites and practices. At all times the school will serve as a witness to the Catholic faith in Our Lord Jesus Christ.

This vision is expressed and explored in religious education, which plays a central and vital part in the life of faith of the Catholic school. At St Richard Reynolds Catholic College, Catholic religious education is the core subject and the foundation of the entire educational process. The beliefs and values studied in it inspire and draw together every aspect of the life of the College. As a result, all pupils have the right to receive an overall education which will enable them, in the light of the Faith of the Church, to engage with the deepest questions of life and find reasons for the hope which is within them (1 Peter 3:15).



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At the heart of Catholic education lies the Christian vision of the human person
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Curriculum, teaching and learning

The College will provide a Catholic curriculum which complies fully with the teachings of the Catholic Church. Catholic religious education will be the core subject of the curriculum at the schools, to which all other subjects will relate. The college will seek excellence in all subject areas; Mathematics, English, Sciences, Modern and Classical Languages, the Arts, the Humanities, Physical Education and competitive sport, and there will be a particular specialism in Music.

The staffing structure for the College will be established by the Principal and the governing body. Senior appointments, teachers of religious education and those with pastoral responsibility will be reserved for practising and committed Catholics. All other staff will be required to be fully supportive of the Catholic character of the College. The College staff will place great emphasis on pastoral care and seek to inculcate in its pupils kindness, consideration and respect for others. The College will seek highly qualified and committed teachers and support staff to ensure each pupil reaches his or her full potential across a wide and engaging curriculum. The College will also benefit from a teacher training and mentoring partnership with St Mary's University College.

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Sport

Competitive sport and physical education form a vital part of a rounded education and St Richard Reynolds College will have a sports field and indoor facilities on site. The school will have a close sporting relationship with St Mary's University College in Strawberry Hill. St Mary's has extensive indoor and outdoor facilities, which have been significantly improved with the construction of a new £8.5 million sports centre opened in 2011 by Sebastian Coe in preparation for the Olympic Games. The fabulous facilities there helped produce some of our Olympic champions at London 2012 including Mo Farah.



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Relevant Experience of Trustees

The Diocese of Westminster provides 218 schools, including 49 secondary schools, within London, Hertfordshire and Surrey. These schools consistently and significantly outperform any other type of school in the area. The Trustees have therefore great experience and involvement in the improvement of educational standards. The College has been established in partnership with the Catholic Diocese of Southwark which has 177 schools including 39 secondary schools across South London and Kent.



St Richard Reynolds Catholic High School

Pupil Numbers and Admissions

The school is a voluntary aided co-educational 11-18 school providing 1,050 places, including 750 places for children aged 11-16 and 300 sixth form places for young people aged 16-18. The admission number for the school on the opening date will be 150 with a further 150 being admitted in each subsequent year.

Applications for places in September 2013 at St Richard Reynolds Catholic High School are invited for children currently in Year 6 at primary school. Children from all faiths and none will be very welcome at the school but if the school is oversubscribed, priority will be given to baptised Catholic children who are resident in the parishes of Our Lady Queen of Peace, East Sheen; Sacred Heart, Teddington; St Edmund, Whitton; St Elizabeth, Richmond; St Francis de Sales, Hampton; St James, Twickenham; St Margaret, East Twickenham; St Mary Magdalen, Mortlake; St Osmund, Barnes; St Theodore, Hampton; St Thomas Aquinas, Ham and St Winefride, Kew. The full Admission arrangements for both schools and the Supplementary Information Form are available from the Admissions Department of Richmond Council (www.richmond.gov.uk) and from The Diocese of Westminster (www.rcdow.org.uk/StRichardReynolds).

Closing date 31st October 2012