 **St Simon of England R.C Primary School**

 **“St Simon’s mission is to work, learn, play and pray together to fulfil God’s unique plan for each and every one of us.”**

St Simon of England is a warm friendly School

with a family atmosphere and a strong sense

of community.

The children and their parents are very proud

to belong to the school and work together to

fulfil the school’s mission. Children are central

to all that we do, every child matters as an

image of God and a gift of love.

**We are a Faith School**

We are a church school which means that we

follow the teachings of Jesus putting our faith

into action by being fully inclusive showing

respect for all cultures and traditions.

Our faith and belief shapes everything we

do in school.

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**Our Achievements**

The school is oversubscribed and is held in high esteem among the local community a school parents and carers would like to secure a place for their children.

**Rated as “Good” in our last Ofsted Inspection**

**Rated as “Outstanding” in our last Section 48 Inspection**



**Parents and Pupils**

The children work hard and listen carefully in all lessons. They are keen and enthusiastic and love to share and talk about their learning. The children enjoy school and learning and help each other to do the same.

Parents work in partnership and fully engage in school activities supporting their children to achieve their full potential.

The school maintains excellent links with parents recognised by our achievement of a **Leading Parents Partnership Award.**

**Governing Body**

St Simon’s has very effective and supportive Governors who are committed to the school. They help shape and share in the work fulfilling our mission and vision.



**Investing in People**

We believe strongly that we cannot achieve excellence without developing our staff so we have a strong commitment to continued professional development through our collaborative links. Our staff is our most valuable asset so we believe in developing them and training them so that they will become our future school leaders.



**“Where every child matters as an image of God and a gift of love”**

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**Collaboration**

As a one form entry school we recognise the importance of collaborating with other schools so that teachers can support one another and share good practice.

St Simon’s benefits from being part of the **Kent Catholic Schools Partnership** which is a multi-academy trust which can draw upon the support of currently 24 schools, 19 Primary Schools and 5 Secondary Schools across the diocese of Southwark. We also benefit from having our own teaching school as part of our Multi- academy trust.

We are also active members of a strong local collaborative hub the **Central Ashford Town Schools** (**CATS)** which offer support and another avenue of networking among colleagues- schools supporting other schools.



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**Our Curriculum**

Our curriculum is constantly evolving and developing. We seek to deliver an exciting curriculum which is designed to inspire and engage not only the children but the whole school family.

We enrich our curriculum with themed days and weeks such as Science Week, Sports Week and Multicultural Week so be prepared to dress as a book or Bible character, step back into time and become a Victorian street urchin or a World War 2 evacuee.

The children take part in many educational workshops and offsite visits throughout the year.

In recognition of our enriched curriculum we have achieved: Arts Mark Gold, Bronze Active Mark for sport and a Music Mark.

