



About Us – March 2026



Loreto Chorlton is a successful 11–16 Catholic voluntary aided school under the trusteeship of the Diocese of Salford, located in South Manchester. We are proud to be part of the unique 400-year-old Loreto educational tradition of academic and personal excellence, working closely with other Loreto schools and colleges for the benefit of all Loreto students. Being part of the Loreto Education Network is both a privilege and a joy.

We hold high aspirations for all of our 750 students and are committed to identifying and nurturing their talents while ensuring they make strong academic progress. Attainment at Loreto High School has continued to rise since 2023, with students' performance now securely in line with national expectations. Our disadvantaged pupils achieve particularly strongly. We were recently commended by the Secretary of State for Education for the *"excellent outcomes the disadvantaged pupils at Loreto High School Chorlton achieved at the end of the 2024/25 academic year,"* noting that our performance for these students *"places it among the very best nationally."*

We are blessed with a talented and highly committed team of teachers and support staff who go above and beyond to ensure every child has the opportunity to become their best self. Guided by Gospel Values, Teaching and Learning sits at the heart of our work. True to the vision of our founder, the Venerable Mary Ward (1585–1645), we believe that *"if done, it must be so performed as better cannot be."* We embrace reflection, feedback and instructional coaching to support our staff to become experts in their profession.

Ours is a warm, compassionate community where every individual is known, loved and valued. Our approach is deeply personalised, ensuring each child is supported to flourish. Students benefit from an enriching and liberating education that *"stretches hearts as well as minds"*, supported by a co-curricular offer that we believe is unparalleled. Loreto students actively contribute to the life of the school and wider community, have achieved numerous awards and accolades, and continue to experience success. The Loreto values of sincerity, excellence, truth, freedom, internationality, justice and joy underpin everything we do.



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We have very high expectations for behaviour, conduct and presentation. Visitors frequently comment on the calm, welcoming atmosphere of our school and the warmth, courtesy and maturity of our students—qualities also noted when students represent us on trips and events.

Our mission is clear: we seek to form good people who will go out into the world and choose to do what is right. We aim to develop confident, compassionate young adults with a strong sense of social responsibility. Academic achievement, character development and robust pastoral support remain central to helping each child “become their best self.”

We are also proud to have received national recognition for our commitment to excellence across the curriculum and wider school life. Loreto High School has been awarded:

- **Music Mark** for our high-quality and inclusive music provision
- **School Games Gold Award** for outstanding commitment to physical education, sport and health
- **CEIAG Gold Award** for exceptional careers education, information, advice and guidance

There truly is something special about Loreto High School. We extend a warm welcome to all our visitors. Should you require any further information, please contact our school office on **0161 881 9448** or email welcome@loretochorlton.manchester.sch.uk.

