Holy Family Catholic Primary School

The building blocks of character

Intellectual Virtues

Necessary for: discernment, right action, pursuit of knowledge, truth & understanding

Examples:

Autonomy

Critical Thinking

Curiosity

Judgement

Reasoning

Reflection

Moral Virtues

Enable us to: act well in situations that require an ethical response

Examples:

Compassion

Courage

Gratitude

Honesty

Humility

Integrity

Respect

Civic Virtues

Necessary for: engaged responsible citizenship contributing to the common good

Examples:

Citizenship

Civil duty

Community awareness

Service

Volunteering

Neighbourly

Performance Virtues

Instrumental in enabling the intellectual, moral & civic virtues

Examples:

Confidence

Determination

Motivation

Perseverance

Teamwork

Independence

Patience

Practical Wisdom:

This is the integrative virtue, developed through experience & critical reflection, which enables us to perceive, know, desire and act with good sense. This includes discerning, deliberative action in situations where virtues collide.

Flourishing individuals, community and society