**The Archbishop of Liverpool, Rt. Revd. Malcolm McMahon visits Clarence High School.**

The Archbishop of Liverpool, Rt. Revd. Malcolm McMahon visited Clarence High School in Formby last week and was welcomed by Tony Saleh, School Principal, Father Michael Fitzsimmons, Chair of Nugent Care and Normandie Wragg, CEO of Nugent care.

The Archbishop was invited to an exhibition of art by the GCSE Art Class, and watched sports students take part in a highly competitive High Jump competition as part of the end of term sports day.

The Archbishop spoke with a number of staff and students about the school and said. “I am very impressed with the relationships between teachers and students, and the care that the staff provide is exemplary. “

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Editor’s notes follow:

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**Clarence High School**

Clarence High School provides a therapeutic educational setting for girls and boys aged 7-19 years old, with social, emotional and behavioural difficulties and who may also experience associated difficulties, including those on the autistic spectrum.

‘Life Long Learning’ is central to the curriculum, ensuring that pupils are being fully equipped educationally, emotionally and morally for the challenges they face now and preparing them for life's future challenges.

'Last year's school leavers gained a good range of accreditations and every student moved on to further education.' Ofsted

## Nugent Care

The origins of Nugent Care date back to the 1800’s and the pioneering work of Father James Nugent (1822-1905) in relation to child welfare, relief from poverty and social reform. The work of Father Nugent had a dramatic impact on the lives of thousands of vulnerable people and his work continues to this day through Nugent Care. We are the social welfare arm of the Catholic Archdiocese of Liverpool.

Today, Nugent Care offers a diverse range of support to adults and children in Merseyside through our schools, care homes, community and social work services and social enterprise. As a health and social care provider, we work at the heart of some of the most vulnerable and disadvantaged communities. We strive, not only to provide the best possible service to individuals and their families in these areas, but to generate interest, awareness and an understanding of the issues they face and the impact of this on our wider communities.

Nugent Care supports on average 6,000 people each year. We are a major employer in the area, employing 650 staff and supporting 350 volunteers. We courageously advocate on issues of justice and fairness.

**Our Mission:**

* To care, educate, protect and inspire those in need.
* To be an employer of choice.
* To be an advocate: A voice for the voiceless.

**Vision:**

* Our vision is be an entirely dignified & outstanding organisation by 2020.

**Our Values:**

* Integrity, Ambition, Courage, Compassion, Optimism, Respect and Dignity.

Nugent Care celebrates diversity in our organisation and in society as a whole and is an equal opportunities employer welcoming all people with a positive view of age, caring responsibilities, gender, disability racial origin, religion, sexual orientation or socio-economic background.