

Value for Money Statement

Academy trust name: St. Mary's Catholic Primary School

Academy trust company number: 08543115

Year ended 31 August 2013

I accept that as accounting officer of **St. Mary's Catholic Academy** I am responsible and accountable for ensuring that the academy trust delivers good value in the use of public resources. I am aware of the guide to academy value for money statements published by the Education Funding Agency and understand that value for money refers to the educational and wider societal outcomes achieved in return for the taxpayer resources received.

I set out below how I have ensured that the academy trust's use of its resources has provided good value for money during the academic year.

St. Mary's Catholic Primary School became an Academy on 1st July 2013. As such, this Value for Money Statement covers the two month period from 1st July to 31st August 2013, of which 5 weeks were included in the summer holiday.

This period of time was spent evaluating the academic year 2012/2013, determining the priorities for the Developing Excellence Plan and planning the budget to support the priorities for 2013/2014. The Developing Excellence Plan was presented to full Governing Body in October and approved. The Governors Resources Committee met in October and the budget set was approved as being Value for Money in supporting the schools improvement priorities for the year 2013/14

Signed: K. Thomas.....

Name: ...Kathryn Thomas.....

Academy Trust Accounting Officer

Date: ...22.3.14.....