



St Michael Associates

### **Mission Statement**

- All members of the SMA are to be equally valued and respected as individuals from diverse cultures. Our goal is maintaining high standard of all kinds for all our students and adults.
- We aim to motivate them and celebrate their successes and to foster their development as independent learners and responsible citizens, in partnership with families and the wider community.
- To help and advance the education of people growing up in a multi-racial society so as to develop their physical, mental and spiritual capacities that they may reach full maturity as individuals and as members of society and that their condition in life may be improved.

### **Objectives**

Our main focus is on developing motivation and competence in the core subjects of the National Curriculum (Maths, English and Science) for children and support for Adults.

In carefully planned lessons, each student is helped towards achieving his or her academic potential by offering:

- A low student-teacher ratio
- Carefully structured and differentiated lessons
- Reading programmes to ensure all students achieve minimum competence in literacy
- Exam preparation ( I I+, SATs and GCSEs) and IT Courses

In addition to our academic focus, we encourage personal development and character building opportunities through a number of extra-curricular activities:

- *Summer Trips*- These trips were conducted in the past to Madam Tussard Tate Gallery Kensington,
- *Summer play scheme* - This scheme operated for nearly 8 years from January 2003 to October 2009
- *Parent and student workshops* – workshops on issues such as exclusions and exam preparation
- *Social skills support* - through Circle of friends projects in school
- *Annual prize giving evening*: attended in the past by distinguished guests counsellors, Mayor, MP, etc
- *Our approach is to work hand -in-hand* with parent's schools local partners, and community children and young people to give them the tools they need to improve their lives, families and communities.

Over the years SMA has become well known for its voluntary organisation and extensive educational projects. Projects have included: