

34.PRACTICAL ACTIONS FOR CATHOLIC LEADERS

1.	Be familiar with Gospel stories +able to pray with young people	
2.	Build compassion and empathy around you	
3.	Create curriculum content that includes meaning and mystery	
4.	Build up a family spirit in form groups and departments	
5.	Celebrate difference	
6.	Celebrate life with simple liturgies within the classroom	
7.	Don't ignore disputes make them lessons in reconciliation.	
8.	Draw in different cultural examples in teaching	
9.	Engage with a wide range of extra projects for your groups	
10.	Visit your local catholic parish churches	
11.	Enjoy working with varied school groups in voluntary action	
12.	Protect your dignity and that of others- challenge disrespect	
13.	Include others in conversations	
14.	Link liturgy and your life through reflection on experience	
15.	Look for Gospel patterns in the ordinary patterns of life	
16.	Make the first move- taking the initiative to do good	
17.	Praise the virtues you see in young lives	
18.	See school as and educating family for both adults and pupils	
19.	See young people as sacred, vulnerable, and often saintly	
20.	Show no favouritism in class or in employment	
21.	Stay in touch with your own inner life	
22.	Use prayer to point to the sacred in pupils' lives	
23.	Work with others rather than plough your own furrow	
24.	Look for the Eucharist in the classroom as well as at mass	
25.	Hold on to an inner presence as you work with others	
26.	Enjoy the gift of your life	
27.	Count your blessings every day	
28.	Let God laugh at your plans	
29.	Turn the eyes of the school to those in most need	
30.	Teach young people to pray simply and often	
31.	Meditate weekly on your leadership experience	
32.	Keep up to date on Catholic thinking by reading and news	
33.	Stay rooted in your own religious tradition and talk about it	
34.	Read the Gospels often - let their words shape your life	

Tick which items you do naturally and easily and cross three that you might need to work on in the future.

Be one, be holy, be catholic, be apostolic.