**The Roman Catholic Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle in partnership with Sunderland Local Authority**

**St Joseph’s RC VA Primary School Washington**

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**DEPUTY HEADTEACHER**

**Group 2 NOR 203 (+ part time 26 place Nursery)**

**Leadership Scale L7-L11**

Are you an outstanding teacher? Do you have exceptional leadership skills? Can you make a difference in supporting our children to live and grow in faith?

Following the internal promotion of our current Deputy Headteacher to Headteacher, the Governing Body is seeking to appoint for September 2018 an enthusiastic and inspirational new Deputy Head Teacher. In accordance with the Equality Act 2010, an occupational requirement exists for the post-holder to be a practising Catholic.

Our Deputy Headteacher will be a person who:

* is a practising Catholic with a strong faith;
* is an outstanding classroom practitioner and exceptional role model, passionate in developing high standards and expectations for all pupils;
* has the vision and enthusiasm to motivate and inspire children, staff and parents;
* is committed to working as part of a team to implement a clear and strategic vision;
* is willing to take on SENDCo role;
* will take a full and active role in all aspects of school and parish life.

The children of St Joseph’s would like someone who:

* is firm but fair;
* can solve problems;
* will help our new Headteacher.

In return, we can offer you:

* a caring and safe school with a strong Catholic ethos;
* a dedicated team of experienced, hard-working and friendly staff who are committed to excellence;
* a very supportive Governing Body;
* enthusiastic and happy children who want to learn.

*“You, your staff and governors continue to live up to St Joseph’s mission, ‘to provide a caring and learning community in which the contribution of each is recognised and developed’, as an expression of your Catholic faith.”*

 *OFSTED Jan 2017*

Informal visits to the school are warmly welcomed by prior appointment. Please contact Mrs Swanston in our school office to arrange an appointment. CES application form and application packs are available from the school office please email philippa.swanston@wsj.org.uk or alternatively from our website. Completed application forms should be returned to St Joseph’s RC Primary, Village Lane, Washington, NE38 7HU or by email to philippa.swanston@wsj.org.uk F.A.O. Chair of Governors of St Joseph’s RC VA Primary School.

**Closing date**: Monday 19th March at 12noon **Shortlisting date**: Wednesday 21st March

**Interview date:** Tuesday 1st May

The Governing Body and the Diocese are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young persons. The Deputy Headteacher will support the Headteacher in ensuring that the highest priority is given to following the guidance and regulations to safeguard children and young people. The successful candidate will be required to undergo an enhanced check for Regulated Activity from the Disclosure and Barring Service as well as other additional safeguarding checks.