

ST MATTHEW'S RC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Applicant,

On behalf of the Governing Body at St Matthew's R.C. VA Catholic Primary School I would like to thank you for your interest in the position of Headteacher. Due to the forthcoming retirement of our current outstanding Headteacher, we are looking for applicants who can build on this legacy of success.

The most important aspect of our school is that we are a happy, caring and vibrant community, whose vision is based on Gospel values where all are valued equally and given the opportunity to 'let their light shine'.

We look to provide a safe and secure environment for our children and their families which supports understanding and development of faith and promotes an inclusive ethos. We have strong links with St Matthew's Parish which provides a variety of opportunities for all pupils to develop their knowledge and understanding of Jesus' teachings and love for us and to participate in liturgical services. The Section 48 Diocesan Inspection Report found the outstanding Religious Education Curriculum to be 'rich, varied, focused on raising standards and meets the needs of all pupils.'

We have high aspirations for our children and strive to provide a high-quality learning environment with access to a broad curriculum and a wide range of activities which will develop our children's knowledge and skills and enrich, encourage and help them to identify their strengths and interests so they can achieve their full potential in life. Our staff and governors are committed to going that extra mile to improve outcomes for our children.

OFSTED found that school leaders 'have provided an excellent curriculum which underpins pupils' exceptional academic progress and their outstanding spiritual, moral, social and cultural development.' We are, therefore, seeking outstanding applicants who have energy, a drive to succeed, resilience and the ability to help develop and articulate our strategic vision as we continue our school's journey. We are interested in hearing from individuals who can demonstrate inspirational leadership, improvements in performance and outcomes, the ability to delegate effectively, support and develop staff and who have a genuine concern for pupil and staff wellbeing. We are seeking a role model who will embody the character and creative insight required to confidently embrace all educational challenges and opportunities. We look to appoint someone who can continue a culture which exemplifies and promotes excellence, equality and high expectations of all pupils and colleagues, and who is an authentic and effective communicator.

This is a wonderful opportunity to work in our lovely school with an amazing staff team. If you join us, you will find a welcoming and supportive school community. You will be working with enthusiastic children, supportive families, an inspirational Parish Priest and a dedicated team of staff and governors.

We look forward to the successful applicant leading our children and our community to future successes. We eagerly await receipt of your application and wish you good luck.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs P. Melia

Chair of Governing Board

