



## **BISHOP BEWICK CATHOLIC EDUCATION TRUST**

Dear Candidate,

Thank you for applying for the position of Headteacher at one of our Bishop Bewick CET schools. Included with this application pack is a statement from the Chair of Governors of St Aidan's to give you their perspective on the school. For further information on St Aidan's, please refer to the school's website, <http://www.st-aidans.northumberland.sch.uk>

As a Headteacher within the Bishop Bewick Trust you will be well supported by a professional Trust team across all areas of headship from finance to school improvement. We pride ourselves on the way all our schools work so closely together. As a Trust we have two key values that bind our 39 schools as one. Firstly, we recognise that we serve a diverse Catholic community with some areas of disadvantage amongst our families. For many of our children education is the crucial factor that will enable them to lead successful and fulfilling lives. We truly believe 'a great education has the power to transform lives', and this is the mission that drives the work we do. We also recognise that together we are more powerful. By working in deep partnership, we become so much more than 39 individual schools and are 'greater than the sum of our parts'. If you are interested in joining our Trust, these are two key values that we would want you to share and take forward.

Finally, if you would like to discuss the position of Headteacher further with me, or arrange to visit the school, please contact Joanne Smith [joanne.smith@bbcet.org](mailto:joanne.smith@bbcet.org). More information on Bishop Bewick can be found on our Trust website [www.bishopbewickcet.org](http://www.bishopbewickcet.org).

With best wishes,

Anita Bath  
Chief Executive  
Bishop Bewick Catholic Education Trust



February 2025

Dear Applicant,

Thank you for your interest in the role of Headteacher of St Aidan's Catholic Primary School in Ashington.

The role will be a unique opportunity to lead a school as it continues to strengthen and develop as part of the Bishop Bewick Catholic Educational Trust, with both the challenges and support that this entails.

The children are at the heart of everything we do at St Aidan's and we hold the mission statement, 'In the Love and Truth of Jesus we Grow', to be the very foundation on which our school community is built.

The Governors and Trustees are, therefore, seeking to appoint a committed Catholic who will lead a staff team to enable our children to develop spiritually and personally alongside their academic achievements.

Everyone at St Aidan's is important to us and their wellbeing is of utmost significance, especially in these challenging times. Applicants will be welcomed who can support the team as they deliver a curriculum designed to enable all children to achieve whilst caring for all who are part of our school community. In return, I can promise the support of the Governors to enable you to take the school forward whilst looking after your wellbeing.

Any further documentation you may require such as the school safeguarding policy can be found on the school website at [www.st-aidans.northumberland.sch.uk](http://www.st-aidans.northumberland.sch.uk).

Kind Regards

Ann Howe

Chair of Governors

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