

Cardinal Heenan Catholic High School

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Group 6, 11-16, 919 on roll



Curriculum Leader of Music

Permanent Role, Part Time – 0.8 FTE

Scale: MPS/UPS plus TLR 2A

Starting January 2027

Our school is a happy school, where relationships are positive, respect is prevalent, and expectations are high. We challenge all members of our school community to “be kind, try your best and follow the rules”. Our students are our greatest asset and never fail to inspire and impress staff and visitors. Staff have high expectations of all students, whatever their starting point; students have the drive and ambition to meet these expectations. We are proud that our GCSE results are consistently amongst the highest in Leeds, and we were ranked in the top fifty 11-16 schools in the country in the Sunday Times League Tables 2025, testament to the way that our students and staff have worked together to create a positive, ambitious and caring learning environment.

Governors are seeking to appoint an ambitious, creative and highly motivated teacher to join our high achieving school as Curriculum Leader of Music. If you are someone who has a natural passion and enthusiasm for Music and a strong desire to help all students and staff reach their full potential, then we would be very pleased to hear from you.

Alongside a track record of high achievement in Music, the department provides a supportive learning environment committed to developing students’ aspiration in achieving their full academic and personal potential. You will be joining a committed team that strives for creativity and a commitment to high-quality teaching and learning in Music.

We pride ourselves on the level of engagement that our children have within the department and we ensure that all students are inspired, encouraged, challenged and supported to reach the highest levels of educational achievement and importantly enjoyment.

We are eager to hear from you if you are:

- An excellent practitioner who believes that all students can achieve.
- Able to excel in an environment where students genuinely enjoy school and have a love of learning.
- Ambitious for yourself and our students, and able to thrive in our supportive, collaborative environment.
- Somebody who wants to work in a happy school where students and staff work together to “...build on the best traditions that we have inherited...”

In return for your hard work, we offer a rewarding and exciting environment where students are keen to learn, and staff are valued and cared for, with excellent CPD and professional development opportunities. We welcome applications from experienced teachers with an aspiration to become a middle leader as well as those currently fulfilling the role in another school.

Candidates do not need to be practicing Catholics, but a willingness to support the Catholic ethos of the school is essential.

Further details and our Catholic Education Service application form is available from the school website (www.cardinalheenan.com). We are very conscious that applying for roles in a new school can be daunting, so we encourage candidates to come and visit the school and meet the staff and students. If this is not possible you are very welcome to contact the school and ask for an online meeting or phone call. We want to help you make the best application possible. If you would like any further information, or would like to arrange a visit prior to application, please email recruitment@cardinalheenan.com.

Please note that covering letters are not required and will not be used as part of the shortlisting or selection process. There is a section of the application form where candidates can offer further information to support their application. This can take the form of a letter of no more than two sides of A4.

Closing date: Monday 5 October 2026 at 9:00am

Our school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and we expect all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. An Enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) disclosure will be sought, along with other relevant pre-employment checks, for the successful applicant.

We promote diversity and want a workforce which reflects the population of Leeds.