



St. Margaret Mary's Catholic Junior School

"Loving, learning, growing together with Jesus"

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Head Teacher: Rebecca Wilkinson

Head Teacher - Leadership L18 - L24 / £74,925 - £87,650 per annum

(Subject to Experience)

Required from 1st September 2025

St Margaret Mary's Catholic Junior School is a highly successful, inclusive school within the Archdiocese of Liverpool.

Due to the forthcoming retirement of our highly respected, successful and much loved Headteacher, Governors are looking to appoint an inspirational, enthusiastic and committed Headteacher to lead our school in the next stage of its journey. This is a wonderful opportunity for a practising catholic, who is a vibrant and kind person who will, in partnership with staff, children, senior leaders and governors, be instrumental in the continued and future success of our school.

We are seeking a person who has:

- A passion for our school, including a genuine enthusiasm and love of children, staff and all that happens at St Margaret Mary's, helping us to love, learn and grow together with Jesus.
- A clear vision for our school with the skills and ability to implement this vision in partnership with all key members of the school community including Governors, staff, parents, our parish and children to deliver the highest level of education, achievement and attainment possible for our pupils.
- A clear understanding of leadership within Catholic education and our Catholic ethos.
- The ability to build upon the existing rich curriculum with high expectations of children's attainment, achievement and behaviour, supporting every child to develop and reach their own unique, individual potential.
- Experience of developing strategies for effective staff engagement and maintaining positive staff morale.
- Has the leadership qualities needed to work with the senior leadership team to inspire, challenge and encourage staff to achieve the best outcomes for pupils.
- Excellent interpersonal, communication and organisational skills to ensure a good work life balance for all stakeholders in our community.

We can offer:

- A happy, loving, nurturing, secure environment with a strong Catholic ethos built on the teachings of Jesus.
- A dedicated and proactive Governing Body **who hold the children at the heart of everything they do.**
- An inclusive, highly effective, dynamic senior leadership team.
- A proactive and developing school staff, dedicated to raising standards across our community.
- A substantive system of support, guidance and professional development from an experienced Senior Leadership Team, a passionate/committed Governing body and via working partnerships with Liverpool Archdiocese, Knowsley's School Improvement Team and Knowsley's Central Collaborative of Head Teacher's network.
- Children who are happy, enjoy learning and embracing new challenges.

What people have said about us:

Catholic School Inspectorate February 2023 – *“Catholic ethos, mission and character permeates all aspects of school life”*

Ofsted March 2024 – *“The school has constructed an ambitious and well thought out curriculum for pupils, including those with SEND. Reading has been placed at the heart of every curriculum subject”.*

Archdiocese Education Department – *‘The school has been a tremendous beacon for their community. We are very proud of all the pupils, staff, governors and parents.’*

Visits to school will take place by appointment via the School Business Manager at Lee.Pimblett@Knowsley.gov.uk. Applications must be made on a CES application form which can be downloaded via our website www.smmj.co.uk.

Further details regarding this role can be found by accessing all the application documents via our ‘About Us’ section on our school website www.smmj.co.uk.

Completed application forms should be returned via email to Recruitment.DCCS@knowsley.gov.uk.

St Margaret Mary’s Catholic Junior School is committed to safeguarding, to promoting the welfare of children and adhering to the Equality Act 2010. The successful candidate will be required to undertake an enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service check and health clearance by the Local Authority. To comply with the Asylum and Immigration Act 1996 all prospective employees will be required to supply evidence of eligibility to work in the UK.

By engaging in this recruitment process, shortlisted candidates consent to an online search in line with the Keeping Children Safe in Education Statutory Guidance 2022

Closing date: 30th January 2025 at 12.00pm.
Short listing will take place on: 3rd February 2025 at 16.00pm.
Interviews will take place on 12th/13th February 2025.

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