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Dear Sir/Madam,

On behalf of the Governing Body, we would like to thank you for your interest in the role of Headteacher at St Joseph's Catholic Primary School, Sunderland. St Joseph's is a wonderful school that is enriched by our unique, vibrant and diverse community. Our school is built around the central values of the Gospels, and we aim to place our faith in Jesus Christ at the heart of our learning, and our community.

You may have noted that the school was inspected by Ofsted in October 2019 and was graded as a 'Good' school. The inspectors noted that '*Pupils thrive in this happy and welcoming school*' where '*pupils work hard in all they do*' and '*staff feel valued*'. Furthermore, a Section 48 inspection in May 2019 graded the school as 'Outstanding' stating that St Joseph's '*is an inclusive and welcoming community ... where Catholic Life is deeply embedded*'.

St Joseph's is a school that continually strives for academic excellence, demonstrated by our **recent ranking as the top primary school in the North East of England** by The Sunday Times Schools Guide 2022.

We are therefore looking to appoint an enthusiastic school leader, who can seek to nurture the faith-filled community of St Joseph's, whilst striving continually to improve academic performance. We would ensure the continuous support of the successful applicant by a superb and dedicated staffing team and body of governors, who would seek to work in partnership towards our collective vision, to be '*A place where we love Jesus, love one another, love learning and love life.*'

Additional support will be provided by Bishop Chadwick Catholic Education Trust where 'excellence for everyone through learning, respect and partnership is at the heart'. The team of experts in the central team would also provide daily operational and educational support.

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Visits to the school are warmly welcomed and encouraged. Please contact Deb Mollon, Executive Assistant to Brendan Tapping, CEO at dmollon@bccet.org.uk to arrange this.

We look forward to meeting you soon.

Yours faithfully

E. R. Brooks

Mrs E. R. Brooks
Co-Chair of Governors

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Miss T. A. Thomas
Co-Chair of Governors

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