Dear candidate,

I am thrilled that you have indicated interest in the post of Head Teacher for Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School.

Our Catholic ethos and support for one another as a family of schools drives all that we do. Our Trust mission is guided by a collective culture and vision where:

‘**Our schools are places of excellence – providing service and witness to children, their families and the wider Catholic community, adding value as a family of schools and enriching the learning and experience of all our young people,**

**so they may achieve their full potential.’**

Sacred Heart is a thriving school In Hartlepool and has recently enjoyed a highly successful Ofsted inspection and has consistently strong outcomes at the end of KS2. It is a warm and caring school and visitors, staff, governors and parents often comment on the “feel” of the school and how special the atmosphere is. We believe in providing our pupils with many varied opportunities to use and develop the gifts and talents they have been blessed with. In our approach to individual pupils in our care, we remember that each of us has been made in the image of God, as reflected by Christ and encourage all to see others in this light.

Our strong moral purpose and gospel values underpin everything our Trust and the Sacred Heart community does and where the following values are promoted and are under-pined by excellence in Teaching and Learning. Our Trust strategic priorities are:

* **Embed a high achieving ‘one Trust’ culture across shared services and schools with expert, aspirational leadership**​
* **Significantly improve the outcomes of all with a relentless focus on the vulnerable and disadvantaged**​
* **To continue to improve the efficiency** **and systems within our schools**

Our Trust is committed to providing Catholic Education of the highest quality and places ***‘Christ at the Centre : Children at the Heart’***at the core of everything we do. It is run along the principles of Catholic Social Teaching with ‘Solidarity’, ‘Subsidiarity’ and working for ‘The Common Good’ fundamental values that underpin our thinking.

A visit to the School is warmly welcomed and positively encouraged. Please contact Lisa Dunwell PA to the CEO on (01325) 523411 to arrange a visit. For further information a visit and application forms please email recruitment@bhcet.org.uk.

I do hope you consider applying to Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School and look forward to meeting you.

**Stuart McGhee**

**CEO**