HEADTEACHER

St Edmund Arrowsmith Catholic High School
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Strong standard

Number on Roll 1201
School Group 7
Leadership Pay Spine L32-L38

Required for Easter 2027 (1st April 2027)

What is it like to attend this school?
Pupils speak with pride about what they have learned. They leave school thoroughly prepared and highly motivated for their next steps in education, employment or training. Pupils achieve extremely well and hold high aspirations for themselves. Pupils attend school regularly and behaviour is exemplary across the school day. ***Ofsted 2026***

The Governing Board is seeking to appoint a highly effective, dynamic and inspirational leader with a passion for Catholic education to lead St Edmund Arrowsmith Catholic High School on its continuing development.

The successful applicant will be a practising Catholic who can demonstrate a clear commitment to the Catholic faith and mission of the Church, together with a proven track record of strong, compassionate leadership that inspires staff, engages students, and fosters a culture of high expectations, inclusion, and continuous school improvement.

The successful candidate will have strong leadership skills, a deep understanding of educational best practices and a commitment to fostering a positive and inclusive learning environment for all students and staff. If you are ready to take on this rewarding and influential role, we encourage you to apply and be part of our team.

St Edmund Arrowsmith Catholic High School is a co-educational, 11-16 Catholic voluntary-aided school in the Archdiocese of Liverpool, well regarded in the locality for the excellence of our academic achievement and the high level of motivation of pupils and staff. Visitors to our school never fail to comment on our respectful students, the positive team ethos amongst staff and the friendly welcome that they receive. We aim to provide a caring educational environment where each person is valued.

What we can offer you: *A supportive, driven and highly committed governing board, teaching and support staff and students who are enthusiastic and keen to learn. We offer a bespoke CPD programme, research and development, links and networks with other outstanding schools as well as a plethora of extra-curricular and cross-curricular working opportunities.*

Find out more and apply: *You can find out more about this role and St Edmund Arrowsmith Catholic High School by downloading our recruitment pack or contacting Michelle Foster, Clerk to the Selection Panel, Governor Services, 2nd Floor, Life Centre South, College Avenue, Wigan WN1 1NZ or by e-mail at michelle.foster@wigan.gov.uk*

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We actively encourage and welcome visits to our school prior to application. Please contact Mrs P Lennon on PLennon@arrowsmith.wigan.sch.uk or 01942 728651 to make arrangements.

Closing date for applications: *Sunday 15th November 2026 at midnight*

Shortlisting: *Thursday 19th November 2026*

Interview dates: *Thursday 26th and Friday 27th November 2026*

St Edmund Arrowsmith Catholic High School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. Appointments will be made subject to DBS clearance and satisfactory references. The successful candidate will be required to undertake an enhanced DBS check.

As part of the recruitment process, online searches will be carried out on shortlisted candidates in accordance with the requirements of Keeping Children Safe in Education.