

St Joseph's Catholic Academy

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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 Academy. 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 September 2022 and was graded as a Good school. The inspectors noted that 'Pupils, including those with special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND), benefit from studying an ambitious curriculum and from having dedicated lessons that help them to develop as individuals'. Furthermore, a Section 48 inspection in 2019, graded the school as Outstanding, stating that 'The quality of Catholic Life is outstanding because the staff and students embrace the school's mission statement'.

St Joseph's is a school that continually strives for academic excellence as getting better never stops. A substantive Headteacher will continue to safeguard our school for the future. They will be involved in the fabric of our community and be integral to it. Our community is galvanised by the fantastic school that our St Joseph's is. This must continue at pace. 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, who would seek to work in partnership towards our collective vision of 'Faith, Learning, Attitude, Mutual Respect and Enrichment'. Governors are very involved and provide constructive challenge as scrutineers who are strong in their commitment to our values and ethos.

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.

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

Geraldine Kilgour
Chair of Governors

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