



# St. Richard's Catholic College

*A National Teaching School, a National Support School and a High Performing Specialist Science College*



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Dear Applicant

Thank you for your enquiry concerning the post of part-time PE teacher (maternity cover) at St Richard's Catholic College. I hope you will find the enclosed information informative and that you will decide to apply for the post which will commence in January or after February half-term.

The college roll is at present 1043. The college enjoys an excellent reputation in the community and our numbers for admissions are over-subscribed each year. The Teacher Assessed Grade results (2020-21) were 92% 4-9 grades in English and Maths and 73% 5-9 grades including Maths and English (BASICS measure). PE results were 100% 5-9 grades for GCSE PE and 100% 4-9 grades for BTEC Sport.

Our last OFSTED inspection (2006) rated the school as outstanding as did our most recent Diocesan Inspection (November 2018). Visitors to the school often comment on our 'strong' family atmosphere, supportive ethos and Christ-centred caring environment. Pupils are positive, respectful and fully engaged in their learning. They enjoy coming to school and each is encouraged to develop to the full. Ours is a 'can do' culture with the belief that everyone can achieve. We are a Specialist Science College with High Performing Specialist School status and we have Leading Edge status, International School status, Prince's Teaching Institute 2019 Mark, Fairtrade Fair Achiever Award status, Artsmark Gold Award, Space Education Quality Mark as well as Gifted and Talented Lead School status. In 2018-19, the SSAT awarded the school Exceptional Education Awards at Transforming Level for 'Engagement with Stakeholders', 'Climate for Learning' and 'Leadership through Moral Purpose'. In 2019-20 the SSAT awarded the school two further Exceptional Education Awards at Transforming Level in 'Professional Development' and a 'Variety of Teaching Approaches'. In 2020-21, the school was awarded a further Exceptional Education Award at Transforming level in 'Wellbeing'. We are ambitious to become one of the best schools in England.

The person appointed will be passionate about physical education and will want to share this passion with all pupils, particularly girls. He/She will need to be an inspirational and outstanding teacher ready to take on the responsibility of maximising the potential of pupils of all abilities. He/She will be able to promote high engagement and enjoyment of physical education both within the school and in the extra-curricular opportunities provided. He/She will be expected to involve him/herself in all aspects of school life including the PE extra-curricular programme.

The PE department is regarded as a good department. The Subject Leader is focusing on developing his team as well as expanding extra-curricular provision and improving the curriculum diet. You must be committed to the raising of both academic standards and pupils' fitness levels. As with all learning, participation in sport must be encouraged to be a life-long skill amongst all pupils. As well as providing the pupils with a strong teaching and learning experience, all PE staff contribute to clubs, the running of trips and leadership activities.

If you feel you have the right qualities to join our PE Department then I look forward to receiving your completed application form with a supporting letter by Tuesday, 7<sup>th</sup> December 2021. We may interview on receipt of suitable applications and we reserve the right to close this advertisement early should we appoint prior to the deadline. The names of two referees should be provided.

If you would like to make an informal visit to the school, please contact Mrs Sally Jenkins to arrange a convenient time.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely

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Principal

