



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 computing teacher 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.

The college roll is at present 997. The college enjoys an excellent reputation in the community and our numbers for admissions are over-subscribed each year. The examination results (2014-15) were 84% 5 or more A*-C grades in all subjects and 75% 5 or more A*-C grades including English and Maths. VA for our best 8 was 1035.5, placing the school in the top 6% in the country. Our last OFSTED inspection (2006) rated the school as outstanding as did our most recent Diocesan Inspection (November 2013). Visitors to the college often comment on our 'strong' family atmosphere and supportive ethos. 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 National Teaching School and a high-performing Specialist Science College, with Leading Edge status, as well as International Schools status, Gifted and Talented Lead School status and Fairtrade status. We are also a strategic partner in the Sussex maths hub (July 2014). We are ambitious to become one of the best schools in England.

The person appointed will play a key role in promoting the college and contributing to its continuing success. He/she will need to be a well-qualified, enthusiastic and committed teacher ready to take on the responsibility of maximising the potential of pupils of all abilities. He/she will be an excellent classroom practitioner with high expectations for all. He/she will be expected to involve him/herself in all aspects of college life including our professional development programme, leadership programme and extra-curricular programme. Promotion of the spiritual ethos and pastoral care are also important factors within the college. You do not need to be a Catholic

The Computing department is an aspirational and forward-thinking one, with a small team of talented and enthusiastic staff. It is looking for someone who will bring new ideas and maintain its high standards in Teaching and Learning. The department has achieved excellent success at KS4 in ICT (100% A*-C) and is looking to continue this with the first cohort taking GCSE computing this summer.

If you feel you could make a valuable contribution to our computing department then I look forward to receiving your completed application form with a supporting letter, evidencing why you are the ideal computing teacher for our school, by Tuesday, 14th June. The names of two referees should be provided.

Applications are welcomed from NQTs as well as experienced candidates.

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

I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely

Miss D Cronin
Principal

