



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 English 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 which commences September 2017.

The college roll is at present 1004. The college enjoys an excellent reputation in the community and our numbers for admissions are over-subscribed each year. The examination results (2015-16) were 87% 5 or more A*-C grades in all subjects and 84% 5 or more A*-C grades including English and Maths. 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. We are ambitious to become one of the best schools in England.

The person appointed will play a key role in contributing to the department's continuing success. He/she will need to be a well-qualified, inspirational and outstanding teacher ready to take on the responsibility of maximising the potential of pupils of all abilities. He/she will be a good to outstanding 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.

The English department is an aspirational and forward-thinking one, with a team of talented and enthusiastic professionals. It is looking for someone who will bring new ideas, strengthen its high standards (82% A*-C in 2016) and extend pupils' talents beyond the curriculum.

This is a great opportunity for someone looking to further enhance their career in a supportive, forward-thinking school or for an NQT beginning their teaching career.

If you feel you could make a valuable contribution to our English department then I look forward to receiving your completed application form with a supporting letter by Thursday, 23rd March 2017. The names of two referees should be provided.

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

