



Science

# 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 Design Technology 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 April or September 2019. A TLR is available for a suitably experienced candidate willing to take on Key Stage responsibilities.

The college roll is at present 1020. The college enjoys an excellent reputation in the community and our numbers for admissions are over-subscribed each year. The examination results (2017-18) were 88% 5 or more 4-9 grades in all subjects; 83% 4-9 grades including English and Maths and 62% 5-9 grades including Maths and English.

Our last OFSTED inspection (2006) rated the school as outstanding as did our most recent Diocesan Inspection (November 2018). Visitors to the college 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 National Teaching School and National Support School and a Specialist Science College with High Performing Specialist School status and we have Leading Edge status, International School status, Prince's Teaching Institute 2018 Mark, Fairtrade Fair Achiever Award status, Artsmark Gold Award, Space Education Quality Mark as well as Gifted and Talented Lead School status. We are also a 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 expected to involve him/herself in all aspects of college life including our professional development programme, leadership programme and enrichment programme. Promotion of the spiritual ethos and pastoral care are also important factors within the college.

The Product Design department is an aspirational one, with a team of talented and enthusiastic professionals. It is looking for someone who will bring new ideas, strengthen its high standards and extend pupils' talents beyond the curriculum. Results in the subject have been good with 71% A\*-C for Resistant Materials, 80% A\*-C for Textiles and Food and Nutrition 71% 4-9 in 2018. We would like the successful candidate to raise results and hopefully have aspirations to be a Subject Leader in the future.

If you feel you could make a valuable contribution to our Product Design department then I look forward to receiving your completed application form with a supporting letter by Monday, 11<sup>th</sup> February 2019. 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

