



Headteacher

Salary	Full Time, Permanent	Start date
L14-L20		1 January 2022

Not suitable for newly qualified teachers (NQT)

Apply by 01 October 2021

Join us and help us shape the future of Catholic education in Sheffield.

The Governing Body is looking to appoint a Headteacher to this high performing Catholic Primary School from January 2022. St Thomas of Canterbury Catholic Voluntary Academy intends to join St Clare Catholic MAT later this year as part of the Diocesan strategy.

Situated in the South of Sheffield, St Thomas of Canterbury School is a *Catholic Voluntary Academy* with a popular pre-school and integrated resource. Our school community is made up of our wonderful children, their families, our parishes and our committed team of staff and we are committed to supporting our children to develop spiritually, morally, socially and academically. This is a unique opportunity to join a system-leading, Ofsted outstanding school at an exciting point on its journey. Reporting to the governing body, you will focus your leadership skills on both the Catholic life of the school and standards of teaching and learning.

The successful candidate will:

- be a practising Catholic with a strong faith commitment, who embraces the development of the **Catholic life and mission** of the school as a core leadership responsibility.
- be a confident and visible leader with a clear vision for Catholic Education and ensure that the example and teachings of Jesus Christ are at the centre of all that we do
- have a strong understanding of evidence-informed school improvement and a proven track record of successful leadership,
- have the vision, drive and energy to initiate, lead and manage strategies to build on the current successes and achievements of the school
- have an excellent understanding of the Ofsted and Section 48 inspection frameworks, be able to horizon-scan and continually strive for excellence in all aspects to ensure that each pupil fulfils their unique potential
- have the ability to build relationships with staff, pupils, parents, Governors and others working in St Clare CMAT and a wide variety of external partners
- work closely with the CMAT, Governors and the SLT to develop a compelling faith-centred vision for the school that acts as the focus of all activity and drives improvement
- be able to inspire the whole community, build and maintain successful teams and work collaboratively with others to achieve success
- be able to respond and adapt effectively to changing circumstances, maintaining high levels of performance
- actively listen and effectively communicate to a wide range of audiences
- place safeguarding at the heart of all decision-making

In return we can offer you:

- enthusiastic and ambitious children who are keen to learn
- a highly supportive, effective and ambitious Governing Body
- a school which is fully staffed by a dedicated, high performing teaching and support team committed to supporting the school and its pupils
- excellent professional development opportunities
- support from headteacher colleagues within the Sheffield Catholic Schools Partnership
- a school which is placed at the heart of its thriving Parish

For an application pack, please contact the School Office by email enquiries@st-tc.co.uk or by telephone 0114 2745597. For an informal discussion, please contact Andrew Truby (Executive Headteacher) a.truby@lutsa.co.uk or Judith Wilde (Chair of Governors) j.wilde@st-tc.co.uk

Closing Date:	Friday, 1st October 2021
Shortlisting:	Monday, 4th October 2021
Interview Date:	Monday, 11th October 2021

Application packs are available upon request, the CES application form must be completed as agreed by the Diocese of Hallam. Forms can also be found on the CES website <http://www.catholiceducation.org.uk/index.php/schools/application-forms> and should be returned to Sarah Hinchliffe, Office Manager.

St Thomas of Canterbury Trust is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and we expect all staff to share this commitment. An enhanced DBS check and other pre-employment checks are required for successful applicants. St Thomas of Canterbury Trust is an exempt charity and a company limited by guarantee, registered in England with Company Number 08181927 and has a registered office at St Thomas of Canterbury School, Chancet Wood Drive, Sheffield S8 7TR and is part of the Umbrella Trust of Our Lady Seat of Wisdom with Company No. 08180450.