

St Laurence’s Catholic Primary School

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Date: 21/10/2024

**Position of Headteacher**

**St. Laurence’s Catholic Primary School**

**L18-L24 £71,729 to £83,081**

**Required (Ideally) for April 2025**

Due to the departure of the current outstanding Headteacher to seek new challenges and targets, the Governors and Children of St. Laurence’s are seeking to appoint an enthusiastic, inspirational and dedicated individual to lead our school community and continue to build on the strong foundations already in place to progress our school even further forward.

**We wish to appoint :**

* A committed and practising Catholic who demonstrates a strong, lived in faith and deep commitment to Catholic Education and the Catholic ethos of the school.
* An exemplary role model who can communicate their faith through their care and love of our children.
* Be totally committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of all children.
* Takes the lead in the Catholic Life of our school community.
* A leader who puts children at the centre of their own learning and who encourages them to be confident and to strive for excellence and not just success.
* Someone who aspires to make a difference to children through effective leadership and management.
* An inspirational leader who promotes aspiration and ambition for every member of our school community.
* A Headteacher who will continue to work collaboratively and in partnership with parents, governors, our parish and the wider community.
* Someone who has the drive, ability and commitment to continue to raise standards across the curriculum and who can build on the existing excellence in our school.
* An energetic individual who is resilient, innovative, creative and forward-thinking.

**In return we can offer :**

* A positive, caring ethos based upon the values of the Catholic faith.
* Well-motivated and well-behaved happy children, who love to come to school and are excited about their learning.
* Dedicated, creative, enthusiastic and hardworking staff, embedded with a strong culture of support and teamworking.
* An experienced, committed and supportive Governing Body.
* An effective teaching and learning environment.
* Supportive parents and others from the parish and wider community.

**Our last OFSTED inspection in May 2019 (Inspection of a Good school) found that:**

*As a result of leaders’ high expectations and ambition, the school is going from strength to strength. Pupils’ behaviour is consistently good. They are polite, respectful and kind. Pupils wear their uniform with pride and value the opportunities that they receive to contribute to the leadership of the school across a variety of roles.*

**Our Catholic Schools Inspection in January 2023 found that :**

*The whole school community lives out the Catholic life and mission of St. Laurence’s. They ‘develop their gifts and talents for the good of all’. Staff have the very highest regard for the pastoral care of pupils and their families. Teachers and supporting adults have excellent subject knowledge, which enriches teaching and learning in religious education.*

But don’t just take our word for it, come and see for yourselves! Visits to the school are welcome and encouraged. Please contact Lynn O’Connell at the school to make an appointment on Telephone number 0151 546 4733.

Application packs are available from Lynn O’Connell (Business Manager) via email at [stlaurence@knowsley.gov.uk](mailto:stlaurence@knowsley.gov.uk) and returnable to Stuart Clutton (Clerk to the Governors) via email at [stuart@appealsatsjc.co.uk](mailto:stuart@appealsatsjc.co.uk)

Closing Date: Friday, 29 November 2024 at 12 noon

Shortlisting Date: Wednesday, 4 December 2024

Interviews Date: Thursday, 23 January 2025 / Friday, 24 January 2025

**As part of the shortlisting, we will carry out an online search as part of due diligence on the shortlisted candidates. This may help identify any incidents or issues that have happened, and are publicly available online, which the school might want to explore with the applicant at interview.**

**Our school is committed to safeguarding children and has safer recruitment procedures in keeping with DFE statutory guidance. All posts are subject to the required DFE preemployment checks being completed including an Enhanced DBS Certificate [including a Children’s Barred List Check]. Our recruitment pack contains key safeguarding policies including our code of conduct for staff and volunteers which everyone must adhere to.**