



ST MARY'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Newcastle upon Tyne
Headteacher: E Patterson
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Teacher of French Full-time Permanent Main or Upper Pay Range

Required from September 2022

The Governors wish to appoint an excellent Teacher of French. This post should appeal to both recently qualified teachers or to more experienced candidates, looking to develop further in an outstanding school. This is a wonderful opportunity for someone wishing to join an outstanding department and a highly successful and forward thinking school.

St Mary's is a great place to work and provides excellent job satisfaction, as it is a very supportive environment. We provide excellent CPD for ECTs and recently qualified teachers, as well as on-going training for more experienced teachers. There are opportunities for teachers at all levels to help develop teaching and learning across the school, working collaboratively with teachers from other departments, whether as coaches, researchers or SLEs. The working environment is, therefore, a very stimulating one for all staff and is an added attraction of this post

St Mary's is a very popular and happy school, rated Outstanding by the Diocese and Ofsted. We became an academy in 2013 and enjoy outstanding facilities in a new building, which opened in 2011. We joined the Bishop Bewick Catholic Education Trust in June 2020. We are also very popular with parents and are one of the most over-subscribed schools in the North-East. The roll has grown from around 1100 five years ago to over 1450 by September 2021, with 5 year groups of around 240. The Sixth Form currently has over 270 students, but will grow to around 300 in the next couple of years, as larger and strongly academic year groups move into Sixth Form.

At St Mary's, French is a well-established and highly respected department with excellent results. Recent highlights include:-

Key Stage 4

- 80% of pupils achieved at least a grade 4 over the past 4 years, with 34% at Grade 7+
- Part of a Language department with consistently outstanding progress scores

Key Stage 5

- 76% of A Level French entries over the past 5 years have been either an A* or an A
- All pupils achieved at least a Grade B over the last 5 years

Leadership, teaching and the climate for learning in French are all very strong.

Above all, the Governors wish to appoint a teacher with:-

- A clear commitment to nurturing and promoting the school's distinctive ethos
- A passion for providing the best possible holistic education for all students
- A commitment to maximising achievement through excellence in teaching and learning
- An excellent track record as a classroom teacher
- The ability to promote a love of learning French in our students

Application packs are available to download from our school website, or by e-mailing the Director of Finance and Support Services, louise.douds@st-marys.newcastle.sch.uk. If you require any further information about the post, please do not hesitate to contact Suzanne Fisher, Director of Staffing on 0191 215 3260.

Closing date: 9.00am on Wednesday 4th May 2022. Interviews will take place shortly after this date.

The school is fully committed to safeguarding and the welfare of children and young people. This post is subject to an enhanced DBS check.