



ST MARY'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Newcastle upon Tyne
Headteacher: E Patterson
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Teacher of English Part-Time (0.5) - Fixed Term Contract to 31st August 2023 Main or Upper Pay Range

Required from January 2023

The Governors wish to appoint an excellent Teacher of English. 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. **There is a strong possibility that this post will become permanent and it is being advertised with a short turn-around time, to enable a January start, if possible.**

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 2022, with 5 year groups of around 240. The Sixth Form currently has approx. 280 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, English is a well-established and highly respected department with excellent results. Recent highlights include:-

Key Stage 5

- 53% A* or A grades in A Level English Literature in 2022, with 93% achieving at least a grade B
- 76% of pupils achieved at least a Grade B in English Language in 2022 with 54% achieving a Grade A* or A over the last 5 years

Key Stage 4

- 95% of pupils achieved at least Grade 4 in English in 2022, with 87% achieving a Grade 5
- Consistently outstanding English Progress 8 scores, an average of +0.60, placing the school in the top 3 in the North East across the last 4 examined years (2017-2019 and 2022)

Key Stage 3

- Key Stage 3 is exceptionally strong too, with very able cohorts coming through
- Leadership, teaching and the climate for learning in English are all strong
- An excellent curriculum is in place

Leadership, teaching and the climate for learning in English are all outstanding, as they are across the whole school.

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 English 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: 12.00 mid-day on Wednesday 19th October 2022. Interviews are likely to be held on Friday that week.

The school is fully committed to safeguarding and the welfare of children and young people. This post is subject to an enhanced DBS check and an online search for shortlisted candidates, as part of our due diligence.