**CARDINAL WISEMAN CATHOLIC SCHOOL**

**Job Description**

**Job Title:** Second in RE

**Responsible to:** Head of RE

**SECTION 1 - GENERAL TEACHING DUTIES**

To maintain and build upon the standards achieved in the award for QTS (Secondary) as set out by the Secretary of State.

**Teaching & Learning**

1. To manage pupil learning through effective teaching in accordance with the Department’s schemes of work and policies.

2. To ensure continuity, progression and cohesiveness in all teaching.

3. To use a variety of methods and approaches (including differentiation) to match curricular objectives and the range of pupil needs, and ensure equal opportunity for all pupils.

4. To set homework regularly, (in accordance with the School homework policy), to consolidate and extend learning and to encourage pupils to take responsibility for their own learning.

5. To work with SEN staff and support staff (including prior discussion and joint planning) in order to benefit from their specialist knowledge and to maximise their effectiveness within lessons.

6. To work effectively as a member of the RE Department team to improve the quality of teaching and learning.

7. To set high expectations for all pupils, to deepen their knowledge and understanding and to maximise their achievement.

8. To use positive management of behaviour in an environment of mutual respect which allows pupils to feel safe and secure and promotes their self-esteem.

9. Be responsible with the Head of Department for the structure and delivery of the KS3 and KS4 curriculum

10. Assisting in promoting an ethos of teamwork and a culture of sharing good practice

11. Help to identify effective practice and areas for improvement and make recommendations to the Head of RE to improve further the quality of teaching and learning

**Monitoring, Assessment, Recording, Reporting, and Accountability**

1. To be immediately responsible for the processes of identification, assessment, recording and reporting for the pupils in their charge.

2. To contribute towards the implementation of IEPs as detailed in the current Code of Practice particularly the planning and recording of appropriate actions and outcomes related to set targets.

3. To assess pupils’ work systematically and use the results to inform future planning, teaching and curricular development.

4. To be familiar with statutory assessment and reporting procedures and to prepare and present informative, helpful and accurate reports to parents.

5. Keep an accurate register of pupils for each lesson. Unexplained absences or patterns of absence should be reported immediately in accordance with the School policy.

**Subject Knowledge & Understanding**

1. To have a thorough and up-to-date knowledge and understanding of the National Curriculum programmes of study, level descriptors and specifications for examination courses.

2. To keep up to date with research and developments in pedagogy and the subject area.

**Professional Standards & Development**

1. To be a role model to pupils through personal presentation and professional conduct.

2. To arrive in class, on or before the start of the lesson, and to begin and end lessons on time.

3. To cover for absent colleagues as is reasonable, fair and equitable.

4. To co-operate with the employer in all matters concerning Health and Safety and specifically to take reasonable care of their own Health & Safety, and that of any other persons who may be affected by their acts or omissions at work.

5. To be familiar with the School and RE Department handbooks and support all the School’s policies, e.g. those on Health and Safety, Citizenship, Literacy, Numeracy and ICT.

6. To establish effective working relationships with professional colleagues and associate staff.

7. To strive for personal and professional development through active involvement in the School’s appraisal system and performance management procedures.

8. To be involved in extracurricular activities such as making a contribution to after-school clubs and visits.

9. To maintain a working knowledge and understanding of teachers’ professional duties as set out in the current School Teachers’ Pay and Conditions document, and teachers’ legal liabilities and responsibilities relating to all current legislation, including the role of the education service in protecting children.

10. To liaise effectively with parent/carers and with other agencies with responsibility for pupils’ education and welfare.

11. To undertake any reasonable task as directed by the Head of RE Department.

12. To be aware of the role of the Governing Body of the School and to support it in performing its duties.

13. To be familiar with and implement the relevant requirements of the current SEN Code of Practice.

15. To consider the needs of all pupils within lessons (and to implement specialist advice) especially those who:

* have SEN;
* are gifted and talented;
* are not yet fluent in English.

**N.B**: Every subject teacher is expected to have pastoral responsibilities.

**Managerial role**

1. Deputise in the absence of the Head of RE

2. Support and actively promote the priorities of the department within the team and to students.

3. Support the Head of English in promoting a tidy, organised and stimulating working environment.

4. Provide an effective role model in terms of leadership and own classroom practice including leadingIinternal CPD.

5. Support the Head of Department in ensuring high levels of student behaviour within the department.

6. Lead and manage writing across the key stages including schemes of work and curriculum planning.

7. Contribute to the self-evaluation of the department.

This job description will be reviewed annually and may be subject to amendment or modification at any time after consultation with the post holder. It is not a comprehensive statement of procedures and tasks but sets out the main expectations of the School in relation to the post holder’s professional responsibilities and duties.

*The School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. The successful applicant will be subject to all necessary checks and be required to provide evidence of identity, right to work in the UK and professional qualifications.*