November 2017

Dear Colleague

**TEACHER OF ENGLISH (FULL TIME TO COMMENCE JANUARY 2018 OR EARLIER IF POSSIBLE TO COVER FOR MATERNITY LEAVE)**

Thank you for the interest that you have shown in the above post. On the website you will find an application form, person specification and brief details of the position. Applicants please note that in addition to a completed application form there should also be a letter in support of your application. It is important that you complete the most up to date version of the Catholic Education Service (CES) form in order that your application can be considered. **The closing date is 12 noon on Monday 27th November.**

**In April 2017 the school was graded by Ofsted as good with outstanding features:**

“Pupils shine at this school because they benefit enormously from being part of the ‘St James family’, a supportive and caring community. They are happy and safe in school.”

“Pupils are taught the skills needed to become thoughtful, self-confident citizens, able to express their views and opinions. This, together with a range of high-quality qualifications, means that they are exceptionally well prepared for the next stage of their education.

**We were also judged to be an outstanding Catholic school’ by the Diocese of Shrewsbury:**

“St James’ lives its mission statement. Outcomes for pupils, the provision for Catholic Education, leadership and management in the development of the Catholic life of the school are all confirmed by this inspection as **outstanding**.”

The English faculty consists of 6 full time and one part time teacher. All pupils are entered for either English or English Language and Literature at GCSE.

The successful candidate will be an outstanding teacher who will be dedicated to continuing the development of English at St

James’. In addition they will be committed to high standards of attainment and be enthusiastic about the role of English in

the development of young people.

St. James’ is an 11-16 mixed, voluntary aided Catholic Comprehensive school in the Diocese of Shrewsbury. It is a very

attractive purpose built school with good facilities and it is set in delightful surroundings in Cheadle Hulme. The school is also

the designated local Catholic school for physically disabled students.

Our Catholic Christian faith is at the heart of everything we do at St. James’. This post is not, however, restricted to Catholics and we welcome applications from all suitably qualified teachers who meet the requirements of the person specification and who feel able to support the school’s ethos.

St. James’ is a stimulating environment for both students and staff. Expectations for both achievement and behaviour are high and we demand high standards of everyone. I look forward to receiving your application.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs Margaret Monaghan

Chair of Appointments Committee