



Sacred Heart High School

"For the sake of one child, I would have founded the Society"

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Dear Applicant

Thank you for expressing an interest in the post of Teacher of Mathematics at Sacred Heart High School. This is a full-time, temporary post for up to three terms to cover a maternity leave. The information we are sending will, I hope, give you some idea of what Sacred Heart High School is like.

The information contained in this pack includes the school's Mission Statement and Aims. The school's vision and spirit are summed up in this document, which also provides the basis for decision making, strategic planning and the monitoring and evaluation of all aspects of provision. It is most important that you feel able to be enthusiastic about supporting and implementing the Mission Statement. Although we do not enclose it, a copy of the school's most recent Ofsted report (2017) is available at www.ofsted.gov.uk/reports. More information about the school can be found on the school's website www.sacredhearhigh.org.uk. A Job description and selection criteria are included. When writing your application, please address each of the criteria in turn. Whether or not you are shortlisted and subsequently appointed depends upon how far you show evidence of meeting these criteria in a systematic way.

Sacred Heart High School is an **'exceptional school' (Ofsted September 2017)** in the trusteeship of the Society of the Sacred Heart and belongs to a large global network of schools. The pupils and staff are exceptional people to work with. Behaviour and relationships are excellent and are steeped in our strong ethos, philosophy of education and Sacred Heart traditions. We have recently opened the Calder building which houses our new science laboratories and Sports Hall and have increased our intake in year 7 by an additional form.

Year on year our examination results demonstrate the excellent education and teaching our pupils receive. In 2017, 94.9% of pupils gained 5+ standard passes and 93% gained 5+ standard passes including English and Maths. The school's A Level results, following the opening of a Sixth Form in September 2013, are just as outstanding with 62.7% achieving A*-B and 89.8% achieving A*-C.

Mathematics is an outstanding department which achieves excellent examination results. In 2017, 93.7% of pupils achieved 9-4 at GCSE with 50.6% gaining 9-7 and the A Level results (A*-B) were 80% in Maths and 100% (A*-B) in Further Maths.

As a designated national Teaching School this is an excellent place to work either as an NQT or as someone who has some experience and who is hoping to develop yet further. The development of all staff is a priority for us and we have well designed induction and development courses for staff at all stages of their career.



We look forward to reading your application and to meeting you in person at the interviews. Please note: the closing date for applications is 9.00am on Friday, 23rd February **email:** sfinneran@sacredh.lbhf.sch.uk and interviews will be held on Thursday, 1st March. Please provide us with an email address as well as a phone number so that we can contact you if you are short listed. Short listed candidates will be expected to teach a sixty minute lesson and we would like to send further information about this as soon as possible after short listing.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Marian Doyle". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized initial 'M'.

Mrs M. Doyle
Headteacher