

St Joseph's

Roman Catholic High School & Sports College

Job Description **Head of English**

All aspects of a teacher's professional responsibility in St Joseph's R C High School take place within the context of the School Mission Statement, and are subject to the current conditions of employment contained in the School Teacher's Pay and Conditions Document, the 1995 School Standards and Framework Act, the required standards for Qualified Teacher Status and other legislation

School Mission Statement

"Our school is a community where Jesus Christ is our role model and his message the guiding principle behind all we do.

Every member of our community is responsible for creating an environment that is caring, fair and respectful of each other.

We develop our potential, celebrate our talents and go forward in faith."

Please note: this job description must be read in conjunction with the current School Teachers' Pay and Conditions Document, particularly Part XII – 'Conditions of Employment of Teachers other than Head Teachers', which itemises the general conditions of employment governing this post.

Role	Head of English
Purpose	To facilitate and encourage a learning experience which provides pupils with the opportunity to achieve their individual potential. To implement and deliver an appropriately broad, balanced, relevant and differentiated curriculum for English
	To carry out the duties of a School Teacher as set out in the current Schoolteachers' Pay and Conditions Document
	Any additional duties that the Headteacher might reasonably request for the effective leadership and management of the school
Reporting To	Assistant Headteacher
Responsible For	 Assistant Head of English Teachers within English Department
Salary/Grade	TLR 1b
Disclosure	Enhanced
MAIN DUTIES	
Catholic Ethos	 To actively support, enhance and develop the Catholic ethos of our school To make the Mission Statement central to the discussions and work of the department
Strategic Planning/Operational	 To construct, develop and implement of the departmental development plan. To write the departmental SEF. To devise, implement, monitor and evaluate the whole school strategic plan for English To attend and deliver relevant INSET and training To liaise with external providers to deliver relevant workshops and learning experiences for pupils as appropriate.
Learning & Teaching	 teaching in all key stages is outstanding and never less than consistently good. As a result, all pupils in the department, including disabled pupils, those who have special educational needs and those for whom the pupil premium provides support, are making rapid and sustained progress teachers have consistently high expectations of all pupils. They plan and teach lessons that enable pupils to learn exceptionally well across the subject. teachers systematically and effectively check pupils' understanding throughout lessons, anticipating where they may need to intervene and doing so with notable impact on the quality of learning the teaching of reading, writing, communication and mathematics is highly effective and cohesively planned and implemented across the subject teachers and other adults generate high levels of engagement and commitment to learning across the subject consistently high quality marking and constructive feedback from teachers ensures that pupils make rapid gains teachers use well-judged and often inspirational teaching strategies, including setting

	appropriate personal study that, together with sharply focused and timely support and intervention, match and differentiate accurately for individual needs. Consequently, pupils learn exceptionally in the subject
Achievement of Pupils	To ensure that:
	 taking account of their starting point, the proportion of pupils making and exceeding expected progress is high compared with national figures pupils make rapid and sustained progress across the subject and learn exceptionally well pupils' literacy is developed and opportunities for wider reading across the subject are promoted pupils develop and apply a wide range of skills to great effect, in reading, writing, communication and mathematics. Opportunities are provided to ensure that they are exceptionally well prepared for the next stage in their education, training or employment all pupils acquire knowledge quickly and develop their understanding rapidly in the curriculum area the learning, quality of work and progress of groups of pupils, particularly those who are disabled, those who have special educational needs (including able, gifted and talented) and for those for whom the pupil premium provides support, show that they achieve exceptionally well standards of attainment of all groups of pupils are at least in line with national averages with many pupils attaining above this. Particular focus is on closing the gap rapidly as shown as trends in a range of indicators. Where standards of attainment of any group of pupils are below those of pupils nationally, strategies are in place to close the gap rapidly. This includes attainment in reading
Leadership & Management	 To be fully responsible for Key Stages 3 & 4. This will include: Ensuring that schemes of work mirror statutory requirements and engage pupil learning Assessment and tracking of student progression. The development, implementation and review of intervention strategies. Ensuring that there are appropriate resources for all key stages. To attend relevant meetings. The monitoring of student reports.
Performance & Standards	Monitor and evaluate the impact of CPDF.
General Duties	 To participate in the school's self evaluation cycle. To undertake the duties as a form teacher. To liaise with other departments, parents and agencies to meet the individual needs of pupils. To attend departmental, form tutor or any other meetings as required. To carry out a share of the supervisory duties in accordance with published rotas Contribute to the future development of the department, its resources and its teaching materials. To attend parents evening and other specific events. To make a positive contribution to the wider aspects of the school. To assist in the promotion of the good name of the school within the community To undertake any other duty as specified by STPCD not mentioned in the above. To comply with the requirements of Health and Safety Legislation and School Policy taking appropriate action where necessary.

Whilst every effort has been made to explain the main duties and responsibilities of the post, each individual task may not be identified.

This job description details duties and responsibilities but does not indicate the amount of time to be spent carrying them out. No part of it may be so construed. In allocating time to the performance of duties and responsibilities, the post holder must use directed time in accordance with the school's policy as published in the Staff Handbook and having regard to the School Teachers' Pay and Conditions Document.

This job description is current at the date shown, but, in consultation with the post holder, may be changed by the Headteacher to reflect or anticipate changes in the job commensurate with the grade and job title.

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