

# St Wilfrid's Catholic School

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Dear Candidate

Thank you for showing an interest in this post. In helping you to decide if St Wilfrid's is the right school for you, here are some thoughts:

St Wilfrid's has an extremely strong reputation in the community and as such, we are heavily oversubscribed with waiting lists in all year groups. We are a 5-form entry Catholic School with 761 students in Year 7-11 and 186 students in our Sixth Form.

The students love their school and staff love working here. In our recent Section 48 inspection, where we were rated "Outstanding", the inspectors commented, "in every interview the word "community" was one of the defining characteristics of St Wilfrid's". The quotes below are from staff members who have recently joined us:

*"As an NQT, I have been able to access support from staff not just in my department but from all around the school. The staff at St Wilfrid's all share a passion within their subject areas that promotes student progress as well as providing opportunities for students to engage in educational experiences. St Wilfrid's Catholic school is a brilliant school to be a part of. All students and staff are very friendly and there is a consistent positive atmosphere around school. "*

R Waterman (PE)

*"St Wilfrid's is an excellent place to work. Ever since I started in September, the support I have received has been brilliant. The staff are all extremely friendly, and are more than happy to give help and advice. There is an extremely positive atmosphere around the school that comes from both staff and students alike. The strong sense of community at St Wilfrid's promotes a sense of pride about the school and everyone associated works hard to provide the best possible opportunities to achieve."*

M Sapwell (Science)

*"I have only been at St Wilfrid's a short time and I cannot believe how quickly I have settled into school life. The staff have been very welcoming and I have been exceptionally lucky with a young, innovative and supportive department who have a strong ethos of sharing resources. St Wilfrid's has a great community feel which students and staff are enthusiastic to be a part of."*

J Redmayne (Maths)

Students at St Wilfrid's make "above average" progress and our reputation for this is countywide. We are determined to do even better.

If you are someone who wishes to work in a community which is inclusive and where every member is treated with dignity and respect then St Wilfrid's is the place for you.

I would encourage you to come and visit the school but if you are unable to then please visit our website [www.stwilfrids.com](http://www.stwilfrids.com). If you require any further information, please contact the Head's PA, Sarah Gildea at [s.gildea@stwilfrids.com](mailto:s.gildea@stwilfrids.com).

Yours sincerely

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