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Dear Applicant,

Thank you for your interest in the post of Teacher of RE at St Antony's Catholic College. I have provided below further details which I hope will provide you with ample information about the post. Please see our website for details of the school and visit our Facebook page for the most up-to-date news and information. We are seeking to appoint an outstanding colleague who can teach at both Key Stage 3 and 4 in this very successful department. This post is initially to cover for maternity leave from September 2019 but could be permanent for a suitable candidate.

The Department

The RE Department at St Antony's Catholic College is a team of three dedicated and experienced teachers, as well a non-specialist teacher. We work creatively and collaboratively, and we aim to achieve the highest standards for our students. Our commitment and drive has helped to deliver year-on-year improvements in students' progress so that we are now one of the best preforming RE departments in Salford Diocese, with 75% of students achieving Grades 9-4 and 30% of students achieving Grades 9-7 in 2018. In our last Section 48 (June 2015) the school was judged to be good with outstanding features.

At KS3, we introduced the new People of God curriculum in September 2017 to Year 7 students. Year 8s cover topics such as Rights and Responsibilities, Pilgrimage, Biblical Characters as well as Peace and Conflict. Year 9s cover Searching for God, Matters of Life and Death, Islam, Community Cohesion and start GCSE RE introducing the Judaism paper.

At KS4, we follow the new Eduqas route B specification, which was first examined in 2018. We are the hub school in the diocese for the Eduqas exam board and there are termly meetings organised that all teachers can attend as part of the hub.

The RE classrooms are fully equipped with interactive whiteboards and one room equipped with PCs. The department also takes a lead in the Chaplaincy team for the school which comprises two local priests and support staff. The school is blessed to have the support of local priests which has enabled us to develop a range of religious services and enrichment days for our students and staff.

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Safeguarding

St Antony's Catholic College is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff to share this commitment.

Applicants must be willing to undergo child protection screening appropriate to the post, including checks with past employers and the Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS). Successful applicants will be asked to complete and return a 'DBS Application Form' for which ID should be provided at interview stage.

Candidates should be aware that all posts in school involve some degree of responsibility for safeguarding children, although the extent of that responsibility will vary according to the nature of the post. If you are currently working with children, on either a paid or voluntary basis, your current employer will be asked about disciplinary offences, including disciplinary offences related to children or young persons (whether the disciplinary sanction is current or time expired), and whether you have been the subject of any child protection allegations or concerns and if so the outcome of any enquiry or disciplinary procedure. If you are not currently working with children but have done so in the past, that previous employer will be asked about those issues. Where neither your current nor previous employment has involved working with children, your current employer will still be asked about your suitability to work with children, although he/she may, where appropriate, answer 'not applicable' if your duties have not brought you into contact with children or young persons. This post is exempt from the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 and therefore all convictions, cautions and bind-overs, including those regarded as 'spent', must be declared.

Application process

I hope that the information that has been provided here and on our website has hooked your interest and I look forward to hearing from you. Should you wish to meet with me prior to applying I should be delighted to do so. Please contact school via email on head@st-antonys.com to arrange a mutually convenient time.

Should you decide to apply for the post all of the relevant documents are on our website (www.st-antonys.com). Please refer firstly to the 'Guidance Notes for Teaching Staff Applicants'. Complete the application form, together with a letter of application outlining your vision and philosophy for the teaching of RE at St Antony's Catholic College, your relevant experience and your understanding of current, relevant educational developments. Your letter should not exceed 2 pages of A4 in length. Please note that we do not accept Curriculum Vitae.

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The closing date is 15th February 2019 and interviews will take place after half term. If you have not heard from us within 3 weeks of the closing date, please assume that your application has been unsuccessful on this occasion. We are unable to provide feedback on unsuccessful applications.

I look forward to receiving and reading your application.

Yours faithfully,

Fiona Wright

Headteacher