



August 2018

Dear Candidate,

Thank you for your interest in a post at St. Joseph's Catholic High School. I hope you find all the information provided useful in applying for this role. I thought it would be useful if I gave you a personal perspective about what life is like at our school. Hopefully this will help you decide whether our school is a place where you would be happy and flourish, and where you could do an outstanding job for our children.

St. Joseph's is part of the Catholic Diocese of Lancaster. We are a group of four secondary schools in Cumbria who work collaboratively for the benefit of all the children we serve. The school is in Workington town centre. The original school, built in the 1920's has changed significantly in recent years as we expand and improve our facilities. Our new Sports Hall and Fitness Suite is the newest addition.

We are a growing school and are oversubscribed for September 2018. Our Progress 8 improved in 2017 and will improve further in 2018. We are very fortunate to work with such a brilliant group of students. If you come to visit us, you will see that they are happy, hardworking and very positive about our school. Achievement is at the forefront of everything we do at St. Joseph's. Our staff are vibrant, enthusiastic and passionate about ensuring our students get the very best. They are very welcoming, and most people feel part of the team from day one.

At our last OFSTED inspection in 2016, we were judged to be Good. We are very proud of achieving this result, but we know we can improve further.

Our Mission is to be excellent and to live, love and learn through Christ. This starts by employing the very best staff and we are hoping this is where you can help. If you think that you have what it takes to join our team and play your part in improving the school further, please complete the application process.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours faithfully,

Jacky Kennedy

Head Teacher