



**St Wilfrid's Catholic School
Crawley, West Sussex**

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION TEACHER
TMS/UPS
with a possible TLR 2a (min) for the right candidate
(plus Crawley Fringe Allowance of £1038 pa)
September 2017**

Do you want to join a successful and enthusiastic department? If so, an exciting opportunity has arisen to appoint a Teacher of Religious Education at this great Catholic school.

If you want to work in a school where everyone is valued and supported to be the best they can be (both students and staff) then this is the school for you. Please click on this link to get a flavour of St Wilfrid's: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=62iUupYDcA4>

As you will see from the link, we have great facilities, great staff and above all, great students!

This is a school that wants to be the very best it can be. Do you want to be part of that? This post would suit a NQT or an experienced teacher who wants to join a school where there may be future opportunities for career progression.

The strength of community at St Wilfrid's is a strong one based upon mutual respect. The staff are incredibly hard working and are prepared to go the extra mile for the students in their charge. Our students are amazing and they contribute enormously to making the school such a welcoming and productive place. All potential applicants are invited and encouraged to arrange a visit – we firmly believe you won't be disappointed.

Application by form downloadable from our website <http://stwilfrids.com/vacancies/> to include a maximum of 2 pages of supporting statement contained within the form. Although we are a Catholic school we serve a diverse community and, as such, a number of our staff are not Catholic. Applications will be considered from both Catholics and non-Catholics alike.

Closing Date: 9 am Monday 8 May 2017

Any successful applicant will be required to undertake a DBS check at an Enhanced level.

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St Wilfrid's Catholic School

'The best for all; the best from all'

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Diocese of Arundel & Brighton and West Sussex County Council

March 2017

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 is a heavily oversubscribed Catholic School of 947 students including 197 in the Sixth Form. It was rated as "Outstanding" by the Diocese in its last inspection (2012) and as "Good" by Ofsted (2012) with behaviour and leadership deemed to be "outstanding".

The students love their school and staff love working here. The quotes below are from staff members who joined us in September 2016/17.

"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 "great" progress across the curriculum and our reputation for this is countywide. Progress 8 data places us in the top 13% of schools nationally.

If you would like to work in a forward thinking school which has ambitions to be even better, then St Wilfrid's is the place for you.

For further details of the school or to arrange a visit, please see our website www.stwilfrids.com. If you require any further information, please contact the Head's PA, recruitment@stwilfrids.com



St Wilfrid's Catholic School

Religious Education Department



Religious Education is a core subject at St Wilfrid's school and is one of the areas where the distinctive nature of our Catholic school is very evident. While there is a strong emphasis on academic learning it is also the means by which the Catholic Church gives witness to its beliefs, values and attitudes through teaching, learning, modelling values and through the experimental aspects provided by the department. The RE Department work closely with the Chaplaincy team to make sure that we overlap and facilitate the deeper spiritual development of the student.

RE is taught as a discrete subject across all year groups including General RE in KS5. The department is fully staffed by five specialist teachers.

The KS3 curriculum now includes specific foundation work to ensure a smooth transition into the new GCSE specification with Islam being the topic of the second religion.

September 2016 saw the start of the new GCSE and A Level specification. At GCSE the department has opted to go with the AQA Religious Studies B paper and at A Level the OCR Philosophy and Ethics including Development of Christian thought.

In 2016 A*-C attainment in RE was 63% of the Year 11 cohort which was slightly lower than in previous years. The performance of students at A2 in Philosophy & Ethics last year was outstanding with Year 13 achieving 100% A*-C. The number of students choosing Philosophy & Ethics has grown considerably in recent years.

The department both supports and is supported by the school's Lay Chaplain who adds to and enriches the opportunities available for students and staff to grow in their relationship with God. The work of the Chaplain includes "reaching out" to support our local primary schools, as well as "reaching in" to develop and nurture our own students.

Please return completed application to: recruitment@stwilfrids.com by 9am on Monday 24 April 2017

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

