

St Wilfrid's Catholic School

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St Wilfrid's Catholic School Crawley, West Sussex

Assistant Subject Leader MATHS

TLR 2C

(plus Fringe Allowance)

January 2015

An exciting career opportunity to contribute to the leadership of a strong department of specialist teachers towards increased excellence.

Length of experience need not stop anyone applying for this post. What matters is that you are an excellent practitioner with a clear and relentless vision for leadership towards outstanding outcomes for our students.

Please email the Head's PA for further information, j.phillips@stwilfrids.com

Closing date: 9 am Tuesday 14 October 2014

Any successful applicant will be required to undertake a Disclosure check by the Criminal Records Bureau at an Enhanced level.



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.



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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 is first and foremost a Catholic School where every single child is valued and where they are pushed to strive for a Gospel centred standard of excellence. You do not have to be a Catholic to work here, indeed, many of our staff are not, what you must be able to do, is buy into a "pursuit for excellence" in all areas.

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.

The progress that our students make in Maths as well as English is outstanding. We are always looking to build on our successes so that we can become even better.

I would encourage you to look at our data-dashboard as well as reading our most recent Section 48 and Ofsted reports in order to get a good feel for where we are and where we are aiming.

If you want to be part of a dynamic school, with aspirations to be the "best we can possibly be", and if you believe that you can play a key role in our future success, then St Wilfrid's may be the school for you.

I look forward to meeting you.

Yours sincerely

Michael Ferry
Headteacher





ASSISTANT SUBJECT LEADER – MATHEMATICS

The Mathematics department is a highly successful department which is still building on its success. In our recent OFSTED report from October 2012 the department was described as delivering “carefully planned and motivational teaching” and having “Outstanding Progress”

The Key Stage 4 data for our school over the last 3 years is quite simply outstanding across all subjects. The expected levels of progress for English and Maths have both been very good within the top 10% of schools nationally. The Value Added Progress for the best 8 subjects places us in the top 5% of schools nationally. These results have been achieved through the hard work and commitment of our students and staff and in particular their unerring “can do” attitude.

	2011	2012	2013	2014
A*-C GCSE Maths	66%	74%	73%	79%
3 Levels Progress English	86%	76%	80%	83%
3 Levels Progress Maths	73%	84%	81%	83%
5 A*-C including En & Ma	57%	66%	63%	64%

We are proud of our Catholic foundation which embodies our belief that we must offer the very best educational opportunities to our students and expect the highest possible standards and commitment from staff and students alike.

We have wonderful facilities. We moved into our building in May 2009. Each classroom is well equipped and visitors always express their admiration for the design and aesthetics of each learning space.

Our Maths department is fully staffed by committed, specialist practitioners. We are seeking strong and dynamic assistant leadership to continue with the steady improvement seen over the last 3 years. Our teachers are open to innovation and change and this is obvious in their commitment to students.

Students are taught in ability set groups from Year 7 through to Year 11. Key stage 4 students follow the Edexcel Linear GCSE course and we have introduced AQA Further Mathematics GCSE this year to challenge those students aiming for an A or A*.

The ‘A’ Level course also follows the Edexcel syllabus. We offer Mechanics, Decision and Statistics as well as C1 to C4. We introduced Further Mathematics as a member of the Further Maths network recently and will continue to strive to build this up as a subject. **AS:** The performance in Mathematics for the last 2 years has been “outstanding”, with ALPS Grade 2 achieved in 2014. **A2:** After a slight dip in results in 2013, Mathematics has once again achieved an ALPS score of Grade 2.

Person Specification

- An excellent Maths teacher
- A vision for leadership (even if it is as yet untried!)
- Ambition for Maths to be the highest performing core subject
- Full of enthusiasm with a ‘can do’ attitude that is clear to, and motivating for, staff and students alike
- Capable of taking ‘difficult’ decisions if the cause is ‘right’

Applications should be via a completed application form (downloadable from our website) and supported by a statement of your vision for teaching and contributing to the leadership of Mathematics, no more than 2 sides of A4. Please return completed application to Mrs J Phillips, Head’s PA, j.phillips@stwilfrids.com

