



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

**ICT/COMPUTING
SUBJECT LEADER
TLR 2c
(plus Crawley Fringe Allowance of £1038 pa)
September 2017**

An exciting career opportunity to lead a strong department of specialist teachers towards increased excellence has arisen at this "outstanding Catholic school".

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. If your experience is more in ICT than Computing, do not be put off, as appropriate training/support will be put in place and vice versa. What matters is that you will have a clear vision to lead the department towards future success.

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>

This is a school that wants to be the very best it can be. Do you want to be part of that? Are you the person to help make ICT/Computing the highest performing Option subject? This post would be ideal for an aspiring leader as well as someone with more experience.

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.

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.

Closing Date: 9 am Friday 10 March. Interviews: Wednesday 15 March

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

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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 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 staff 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 having 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.

The post is open to any teacher with an interest in SEND as well as those with more experience and if you would like to visit us, please contact us to make arrangements.

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

ICT/Computing Department



Our ICT/Computing department is recognised as one of the most successful in West Sussex. At Key Stage Three, we are frequently above national and county averages for Level 5 +; we attained 97% A*-C for Computer Studies and 78% A*-C for GCSE ICT last year and achieved excellent A-Level grades. It is a collegiate department and an extremely friendly one! The secret of our success is passionate and caring teachers that are prepared to go the extra mile for students. We have an excellent reputation with the students who see the department's commitment to their learning and are confident that they will do well in Computing and ICT. The department currently has 3 members of staff:-

- R Wilson – Subject Leader for Computing
- M Reeves – P/T teacher
- J Wright – P/T teacher

Key Stage Three - We have schemes of work in place for every year group. All teaching at Key Stage Three is in mixed ability classes. We enjoy challenging and interesting contexts for ICT classes and access to the content is provided from the school VLE. We use Microsoft Office as our main core software office suite and also develop lessons with Sony Vegas, Scratch, Audacity, Dreamweaver and Fireworks. We have also introduced programming into the Key Stage Three curriculum using Scratch in Year 7, Python in Years 8 and 9 as well as MIT App Inventor in Year 9.

Key Stage Four - We teach the Edexcel's ICT GCSE and OCR's Computing GCSE. We currently have 2 Computing and 3 ICT GCSE classes in Yr11 and 2 Computing, 3 ICT GCSE classes and 1 large computing class in Year 10. Students have 5 or 6 lessons a fortnight depending on their option block. All of our lessons and Schemes of Work are available on the school VLE and are regularly updated. Computing and ICT is well regarded at St Wilfrid's and is a popular choice with students.

Key Stage Five - At A Level both OCR ICT (AS/A2) and OCR Computer Science are taught. As we have such successful subjects at GCSE, we regularly have large classes at A Level. We also teach Edexcel Level 3 BTEC in Information and Creative Technology. Key Stage 5 classes have around 11 lessons a fortnight.

Accommodation – We moved into a new building in 2009 and we are superbly resourced. We have 3 dedicated ICT rooms and use of others throughout the building. All ICT rooms have a Promethean IWB and 32 PC's. The department shares an office with the Business department. We have acquired the Adobe CS6 suite of applications and use MS Office 2013 and Office 365.

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.

Please return completed application forms to the Head's PA, recruitment@stwifrids.com by 9 am Friday 10th March.

