Thank you for your interest in the Faculty Support position and your interest in joining the Archbishop IIsley family



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Welcome from our Head Teacher

Thank you for your interest in joining Archbishop IIsley Catholic School. Rather than simply being a cover supervisor, we want you to become an integral member of the Humanities faculty and feel part of a high performing team.

The ethos of Ilsley is quite simple. As a Catholic school, we want pupils to "let (their) light shine." We want pupils to believe in themselves and strive to fulfil their vocation, whatever that may be. Pupils are polite and friendly and a real joy to work with. They are the main benefit to working at Ilsley.

We have great facilities: as well as a spacious staffroom (we have briefing twice a week in here), we have a well-stocked library, a sports hall, gym, fitness suite, astroturf and a muga, as well as a swimming pool. The building is well maintained by our excellent site staff.

I hope you find this application pack informative and useful. I imagine you have already browsed our new website. If you click on the communication tab, I recommend you read our fortnightly ABI Update, you will also get a flavour of what day-to-day life is like at Ilsley. You could also read some of the posts from our Twitter account @ABIIIsey. I also recommend you come to visit the school. Simply email recruitment@ilsley.bham.sch.uk and Nigel Royston would be happy to give you a tour and his opinion about what it is like to work here.

I look forward to receiving your application and meeting you in person.

Ciaran Clinton

Welcome from the Head of Faculty

Dear potential candidate

Welcome to the Humanities Faculty and thank you for your interest in the post. If you are passionate about Geography and enjoy working with young people, we would love to hear from you. The Faculty holds a wealth of experience, enthusiasm and passion and all staff thrive on the satisfaction that comes from helping our pupils develop and learn.

Geography is a successful and forward looking department within the Humanities Faculty and the school. The Department and Faculty form a close knit, supportive team who work collaboratively to plan and deliver a high quality and engaging curriculum. Humanities has its own suite of 8 spacious and well equipped classrooms housed in the Humanities block. We offer fantastic support and have a great track record of developing Faculty Support and the subject is very popular among pupils.

I hope you enjoy reading this pack and I hope to see you soon.

Mr N Royston

Head of Faculty



Faculty Support Salary GR3 £23,194-£29,439 (Pro Rata) £20,701 to £25,189 (actual) Full time (Term time Only) Permanent contract

Archbishop IIsley are looking to a Faculty Support colleague to support our Humanities Faculty and help our teachers deliver a high quality of education to our pupils so that they can use their God given talent to succeed academically:

The role would suit someone with an interest in the world around them. Ideally you would have an A Level in Geography or a high grade at GCSE. It would suit someone who is either working in a school and would like a pupil facing role or someone who is thinking about becoming a teacher. The successful candidate may have recently left university; on the other hand, it may suit someone who is more experienced but is looking for a change of environment or sector. Whether you would prefer full time or part time can be discussed at interview.

We are looking for someone to cover lessons and to provide support to a faculty within Archbishop IIsley. The successful candidate would be expected to support and uphold the Catholic ethos of our school.

Archbishop IIsley is a large, oversubscribed Catholic Secondary School in Acocks Green, on the border of Hall Green and Yardley, that caters for pupils between the ages of 11 and 18. There are 210 pupils in each year and the Sixth Form is predicted to grow considerably over the next five years. OFSTED rated the school 'good' in the last graded inspection. Our GCSE results are strong; the percentage of pupils achieving a good pass in Maths and English has increased by 10% in two years.

This position is only available for candidates who have the right to work in the UK. We regret we cannot sponsor candidates from abroad or provide a work visa.

Closing date: Friday 30th November 2024 at 15:00

Please send your completed CES application form to recruitment@ilsley.bham.sch.uk

Person specification for the role of Faculty Support

Criteria	Essential	How identified
Education and Qualifications	A. GCSE or equivalent including Maths and English at Grade C (or 4) or better	A. Application
2. Relevant Experience	A. Evidence of recent relevant experience and organisational ability, either in schools or elsewhere that demonstrates management.	A. Application/Supporting statement/Interview
	B. Ability to present information to a range of audiences.	B. Application/Supporting statement/Interview
3. Specialist	A. Ability or potential to use	A. Supporting statement/Interview/References.
knowledge	and interpret data. B. Ability to find solutions to complex problems.	B. Supporting statement/Interview/References
4. Interpersonal skills	A. Ability to relate to teachers, other professionals, parent and pupils. B. Ability to work as a member of a team and on	A. Supporting statement/Interview/References B. Supporting statement/Interview/References
5. Other	own initiative. A. Ability to support the Catholic ethos of the	A. Supporting statement/Interview
	school. B. Willingness to undertake training as required.	B. Supporting statement/Interview
	C. Excellent attendance and punctuality.	C. Supporting statement/Interview/References

Post Title: Faculty Support

Start date: January 2025

Post Purpose:

To uphold the Catholic Life and Mission of the school. To support a Faculty with the delivery of the curriculum

To uphold and promote the school's behaviour management policy

Reporting to: The Head of Faculty

Working Time: Full time (negotiable) permanent contract

Salary/Grade: GR3

Disclosure Level: Enhanced

General Duties

 To provide stability and continuity for pupils whose lessons are affected through short term teaching staff absence.

- To provide support to teaching staff and pupils.
- To support the Catholic ethos of the school.

Specific Duties

- To create a purposeful and orderly environment in which pupils can complete work set by the classroom teacher.
- To collate a bank of supervision work at KS3 and KS4 in liaison with relevant Head of Department.
- To support the school with administration duties when not required to cover during the working day.
- To undertake training in classroom management on appointment and update as appropriate.
- To make use of the school Code of Behaviour and rewards system.
- To be support in lunchtime supervision
- To invigilate internal and external exams when required.
- To accompany visits and field trips as required.

Professional Standards

- a. Support the aims of the school to promote a 'learning community'.
- b. Treat all members of the community, colleagues and pupils, with respect and consideration.
- c. Treat all pupils fairly, consistently and without prejudice.
- d. Set a good example to pupils in terms of appropriate dress, standards of punctuality and attendance.
- e. Promote the aims of the school by attendance at and participation in events such as open evenings, options evenings and the like (as appropriate to their responsibilities.)
- f. Support the ethos of the school by upholding the behaviour code, uniform regulations, etc.
- g. Take responsibility for their own professional development and participate in staff training when provided.
- h. Reflect on their own practice as well as the practices of the school with aim of improving all that we do.
- i. Read and adhere to the various policies of the school.

- j. Participate in the management of the school by attending various team and staff meetings.
- k. Undertake duties as prescribed within school policies.
- I. Ensure that all deadlines are met as published in the school calendar.
- m. Undertake professional duties that may be reasonably assigned to them by the Head Teacher (e.g. cover, etc).
- n. Be proactive and take responsibility for matters relating to health and safety.

This job description may be amended at any time in discussion between the Head Teacher and yourself but in any case will be reviewed before the commencement of the next Performance Management cycle.

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This job description is current at the date below but will be reviewed on an annual basis and following consultation with you, may be changed to reflect or anticipate changes in the job requirements which are commensurate with the job title and grade.

Signed	(Teacher) Signed	(Head Teacher)
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Dated	(Teacher) Dated	(Head Teacher)

What staff say about working at Archbishop IIsley Catholic School

- "Staff are really friendly...really supportive... not judgmental." Male maths teacher
- "Colleagues are fantastic... very supportive." Female maths teacher
- "I love it... so glad I made the move." Female RS teacher
- "It's lovely here... people are so kind... offering to do things for you." Female PE teacher
- "We're a great unit... we're a family." Male DT teacher
- "Everyone made me feel welcome." Female member of the admin team
- "Staff are phenomenal... we're a community." Male RS teacher
- "I absolutely love it here." Female D&T teacher
- "I really like working here... staff are great." Female member of support staff
- "People are lovely... very supportive of each other. It's not just a job." Female maths teacher
- "I love working here... I 100% feel at home." Male Humanities teacher
- "I'm not Catholic but I don't feel excluded... we're one big family." Female Humanities teacher
- "I feel privileged to work here." Female TA
- "There is great camaraderie... there is a buzz in the staffroom." Female TA
- "Staff are really talented and loyal and willing... people care." Female English teacher
- "We have phenomenal staff... we have the best middle leaders." Male member of SLT
- "I love this school... there are so many amazing people here... the pastoral team are amazing." Female member of support staff
- "I feel really lucky to work here." Female PE teacher
- "Ilsley is the centre of the community." Male PE teacher
- "I love this school... I love teaching here." Male Humanities teacher
- "Teachers are so open minded... they say 'we'll try it'." Male TA
- "Archbishop IIsley is an extension of our own family." Female D&T teacher
- "I don't think there is a person I would go to for help, and they would say no... it would be a 'YES' without a doubt." Female Art teacher

Staff happiness is our priority. Things that make IIsley a special place to work

- 1. Fantastic, talented and welcoming staff.
- 2. A swimming pool! (Staff can swim between 7am and 8am Tuesday and Thursday)
- 3. Wednesday football after school on the astroturf
- 4. Friday basketball
- 5. The only secondary school to have a float in the annual St Patrick's Day Parade
- 6. A welcoming and friendly staffroom
- 7. Secret Saints/Brothers and Sisters
- 8. Wellbeing Wednesday
- 9. Blue Monday treats
- 10. An understanding of those juggling work and family life time off for children's first day at school, nativities, sports day etc
- 11. Duke of Edinburgh the best in Birmingham. A must for lovers of the outdoors and we're always looking for more volunteers.
- 12. A supportive and understanding SLT
- 13. No unnecessary meetings
- 14. Strong Union membership and SLT fully supportive of workload at 1265
- 15. A workable marking and feedback policy
- 16. Great extra-curricular opportunities (theatre, House of Parliament, dance competitions, Berlin, Battlefields, Global Links including a Year 12 trip to Peri)
- 17. Whole school events for the KS3 pupils (Y7 Blackwell and summer disco; Y8 Valentine's disco)
- 18. End of term celebrations
- 19. Cycle to Work scheme

Safeguarding commitment

Archbishop IIsley is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of all its pupils. We believe that:

- Our young people have the right to be protected from harm, abuse and neglect;
- Our people have the right to experience their optimum mental and physical health;
- Every child has the right to an education and young people need to be safe and to feel safe in school;
- Young people need support that matches their individual needs, including those who may have experienced abuse;
- Our young people have the right to express their views, feelings and wishes and voice their own values and beliefs;
- Our young people should be encouraged to respect each other's values and support each other;
- Our young people have the right to be supported to meet their emotional, social and mental health needs as well as their educational needs. Our school will ensure clear systems and processes are in place to enable identification of these needs. Including consideration of when mental health needs may become a safeguarding need;
- Our school will contribute to the prevention of abuse, risk/involvement in serious violent crime, victimisation, bullying (including homophobic, biphobic, transphobic and cyber bullying), exploitation, extreme behaviours, discriminatory views and risktaking behaviours.

All staff and visitors have an important role to play in safeguarding young people and protecting them from abuse and considering when mental health may become a safeguarding issue.

Please be aware, as part of our rigorous safer recruitment process, we will undertake the following pre-appointment checks if you are successful on the interview day:

- Verification of identity including an original birth certificate;
- Eligibility to work in the UK:
- An online search:
- DBS Barred List;
- Enhanced DBS check;
- That you are not subject to a prohibition order or GTCE restriction;
- · Qualifications;
- · QTS certificate;
- Overseas check may be made if you have lived abroad;
- Two references will be requested and verified.

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As a new employee you will be expected to uphold and promote our strong safeguarding culture.