



Candidate Information | March 2025



A message from the Headteacher



Thank you for your interest in St James' Catholic High School. This is an exciting time to join St James' as we look to move our school to the next level.

We are a good oversubscribed school (OFSTED 2022) located in Stockport, South of Manchester. Our school is made up of 825 students and 100 staff. St James' Catholic High School

is a thriving Catholic community that places children at the centre of everything we do. The Diocese of Shrewsbury judged our school to be a "Good" Catholic school

St James' is a highly academic performing school:

- Impressive positive progress 8 scores for the previous four years
- In 2024, 77% of students attained a Grade 4 or above in both English & Mathematics (the equivalent to the old Grade C) with 59% achieving a Grade 5 or above in both English & Mathematics
- 87 grade 9s and 128 grade 8s were awarded to our students in 2024, demonstrating exceptional attainment across a wide range of subjects
- Exceptional results in open, Maths and English subjects placing us in the top 20% of similar schools nationally

Our school is at the cutting edge of teaching and learning and thrives on providing outstanding opportunities for the young people we serve. All our staff work to provide our young people with the skills, knowledge and understanding in order to achieve their full potential.

Inspired by the example of St James, the purpose of our school is 'To educate and develop global Catholic citizens'. Our three school values of Family, Faith and Excellence are lived out every single day by staff, students and all stakeholders.

The reputation of our school is exceptional within Stockport and across the Shrewsbury Diocese for academic excellence, impeccable pupil conduct and for providing outstanding additional opportunities for our young people. The result is that our young people develop into global Catholic citizens who are proud to profess their faith and who make a positive contribution to society.

At the root of our success is our St James' community. This is built on strong, positive relationships between all staff, students and parents. Our parents support our school and develop their children at home whilst our dedicated staff are relentless in driving excellence by providing the best educational experiences and opportunities for our students.

Underpinning this excellence are our unique values, Catholic ethos and our mission. We are inspired and driven by the Gospel where we are told: 'With God all things are possible' (Matthew 19:26).

If you would like to find out more about our school and community, please contact Kirsty Bowers.

PA to the Headteacher on 0161 482 6900 or at headteacherpa@stjamescheadle.co.uk

Anthony Pontifex

Headteacher



Part Time 15 hours per week (term time only) Scale 1 point 3: £22,737 pro rata (£7,884.27 actual). Permanent

Hours of work 3.00pm to 6.00pm Monday-Friday

The St James' Catholic High School Mission:

To ensure everyone within our school **family** achieves their full potential, to encourage learning and development through **faith**, and to strive for **excellence**

Applications are welcome regardless of the personal faith of the applicant, providing they are supportive of the school's Catholic ethos

St James' Catholic High School is a popular and oversubscribed 11-16 mixed comprehensive Catholic High School which was judged by OFSTED to be a "Good" school in April 2017, with "Outstanding" Outcomes for Pupils

The Diocese of Shrewsbury judged our school to be an "Outstanding" Catholic school The governors of the school wish to appoint a confident, dynamic and highly motivated Cleaner

Please note a current Support Staff CES application form (available from our website) must be completed for this post. CVs will not be accepted. Forms can be emailed to:

headteacherpa@stjamescheadle.co.uk

St James' Catholic High School is an equal opportunity employer which is "Positive about Disabled People". Whilst all applicants will be judged on merit alone, we particularly welcome applications from groups currently under-represented in the workforce, who meet the person specification for the post

St James' Catholic High School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and applicants must be willing to undergo child protection screening appropriate to the post, including checks with past employers and the Disclosure & Barring Service



School Mission Statement

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to encourage learning and development through faith, and to strive for excellence

Purpose

To provide efficient and effective cleaning support to the school, including ensuring that the security and general appearance of the building and surroundings are maintained in accordance with the required standards

Cleaning

- · Cleaning of designated areas
- Establishing routines to ensure compliance with health and safety requirements
- Completion of hygiene checks in order to maintain standards
- Manage time in relation to workload in designated areas.
- Pass on information relating to stocks and supplies to enable timely replenishment
- Maintain a clean and safe environment and to be aware of infection control procedures

General Duties

- To act in accordance with provisions of the School Staff Code of Conduct.
- To abide by the School Data Protection Policy
- To carry out the responsibilities of the post with due regard to all or any of the School equality and diversity policies
- To operate in accordance with Health and Safety Legislation, which specifies that all employees have a duty to work safely and not to put others at risk
- To take part in performance management and undertake/ participate in training as appropriate
- To comply with and follow all other school policies and procedures in force and also with the conditions of service stipulated within the contract of employment
- To have an involvement in other associated duties as discussed and agreed with the Headteacher

Other Specific Duties

All members of the Leadership Team will have generic responsibilities, including active participation in the daily management of the school, e.g. maintaining a presence around the school throughout the day and particularly Many specific responsibilities will require collaborative working with other team members which, as the Senior Deputy Headteacher you will develop proactively

This post is subject to Enhanced DBS disclosure and basic online searches

Whilst every effort has been made to explain the main duties and responsibilities of the post, each individual task may not be identified

The post holder will be expected to comply with all reasonable requests from the Headteacher to undertake work of a similar level that is not specified in their job description



| | Status of Criteria | | Method of Assessment | |
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| Job Requirements | Essential | Desirable | Application | Interview/task |
| Training and Qualification | | | | |
| Good standard of education | ✓ | | ✓ | |
| Commitment to personal/professional development | ✓ | | ✓ | |
| Experience | | | | |
| Experience of working in a school environment | | ✓ | ✓ | |
| Professional Knowledge | | | | |
| Knowledge of and commitment to relevant school policies including Safeguarding/Child protection and Health and Safety. | | √ | ✓ | ✓ |
| Knowledge of cleaning and hygiene requirements in food preparation areas | | √ | ✓ | ✓ |
| Personal skills and qualities | | | | |
| Supportive of the ethos of a Catholic School | ✓ | | ✓ | ✓ |
| Ability to work as part of a team | √ | | ✓ | √ |
| Able to work under pressure and manage own workload and commitments through excellent time management skills | √ | | ✓ | ✓ |
| Good interpersonal skills and able to communicate effectively with a range of people | √ | | ✓ | √ |

Contact

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PA to the Headteacher

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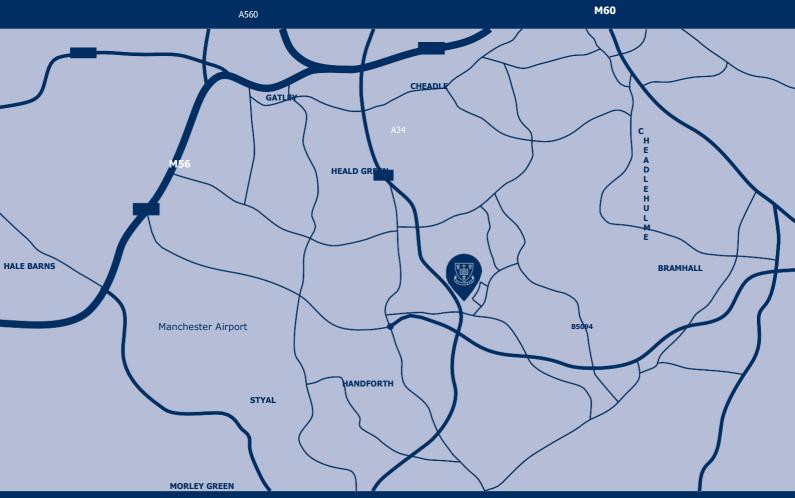
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