



BISHOP WILKINSON CATHOLIC EDUCATION TRUST

The Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle

Newcastle upon Tyne

Number on Roll 1536 (11-18)

Headteacher, Cardinal Hume Catholic School

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Applications are invited from practising and committed Catholics for the post of **Headteacher** at Cardinal Hume Catholic School, to lead the school in the next exciting phase in its development. Cardinal Hume is an extremely popular, high-achieving, successful and happy school, rated Outstanding by Ofsted in two consecutive judgements in 2008 and 2014. The school enjoys an excellent reputation and is consistently ranked as one of the highest performing teaching schools, and lead school in the oversubscribed Bishop Wilkinson Catholic Education Trust.

At Cardinal Hume, our distinct Catholic ethos, high standards of discipline and commitment to every member of our school community makes this a truly special place to learn. We are also responsible for the spiritual, moral and character formation of the young people in our care. This is a responsibility that we take very seriously in our mission to form well-rounded citizens who are ready for the wider, 21st century world. Cardinal Hume have established a national reputation for excellence, success and high standards as was highlighted in the Chief Inspector for Schools 2014 annual report for its outstanding work with the country's most disadvantaged children. The school was awarded World Class School status in 2019 and is a cutting-edge Hub school in both Computing and Modern Foreign Languages.

We became an academy in 2012, and a Multi Academy Trust in 2016. Since 2019, we have been part of the Bishop Wilkinson Catholic Education Trust, a family of 5 secondary schools and 8 primary schools from across Gateshead, Sunderland, Durham and Northumberland, in the west of the Diocese. The Trust will expand to 22 schools by the end of 2020 and reach a total of 48 schools by 2022. The Headteacher in post at Cardinal Hume Catholic School will be an important part of the Bishop Wilkinson Catholic Education Trust Secondary Headteachers Group and will benefit from the support of the Trust and Chief Executive Officer.

This is an exciting time to lead our school. The successful candidate will have the ambition, determination, and expertise to ensure that Cardinal Hume Catholic School continues to thrive. Above all, Governors wish to appoint as Headteacher, a leader with:

- A clear commitment to nurturing and promoting the school's distinctive Catholic ethos
- Outstanding strategic ability to anticipate and lead change to ensure Cardinal Hume continues to build on its success
- A passion for providing the best possible holistic education for all students
- A commitment to maximising achievement through excellence in teaching and learning
- An excellent, proven track record as a classroom teacher and school leader

Application packs are available by email, please contact Helen Naden, Director of HR by email hnn@bwcet.com. Please note that restrictions on visiting our school are still in force due to COVID 19.

Closing date: 9.00am on Monday 9 November 2020

Shortlisting: 13 November 2020

Interviews: 19/20 November 2020

The board and the Diocese are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expect all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. This post is exempt from the provisions of the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act and is subject to an enhanced DBS check.

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