



In all things faithful

September 2025

Dear Applicant,

Thank you for your interest in the position of a Second in RE at St Damian's RC Science College. This is an excellent opportunity to become part of a great RE department. This position is suitable for someone who would like to work in a very successful department and has the ability to embed a rich curriculum that will meet the needs of our great pupils. The governors and I are looking for an ambitious teacher who is driven by ensuring that pupils receive an outstanding education, and this will be reflected in pupil outcomes.

Our RE results are simply sensational and are consistently significantly above national measures in all areas. For example, in the recent GCSE 2025 outcomes an **amazing 86% got Grade 4 or higher and an incredible 48% got a Grade 7 or above**. This is the direct result of many reasons, but the most important 3 factors are a relentless focus on teaching and learning, great leadership of the department and thirdly, genuine care for our pupils. Our staff are dedicated and committed to the children at St Damian's. Furthermore, our Ebacc outcomes reflect that we deliver a strong academic curriculum. These are well above the national average and show the high standards that we have set at St Damian's.

This position is key in ensuring we continue to have outstanding RE results as we look to further strengthen the RE department. We have a very comprehensive CPD programme for all teachers, including excellent leadership development.

We have achieved back-to-back outstanding in both Ofsted and Catholic inspections, and over the past few years we have been awarded a plethora of external awards which shows our commitment to developing the whole child. These range from a number of secondary school of the year awards, Anti-Bullying Initiatives, Careers Guidance Awards, Healthy Eating accolades, Quality Inclusion Mark and Young Carers Awards. These awards epitomise our strong Community where the relationships between pupils and staff is seamless.

What does St Damian's offer?

- ✦ An RE department that focuses on achieving the best possible pupil outcomes
- ✦ An RE department where there are committed and dedicated staff and who would warmly welcome another great teacher.
- ✦ An RE department that thrives on teamwork and developing each other to be the best
- ✦ A very supportive staff network in college that reflects our Catholic ethos. Senior Leaders who value and appreciate the great staff who work here.
- ✦ Fantastic pupils who are eager to learn and enjoy coming to school.
- ✦ Excellent CPD opportunities for all, as we believe strongly in developing our teachers and leaders.
- ✦ A relatively new 'fit-for-purpose' building that is conducive to learning [opened May 2011]

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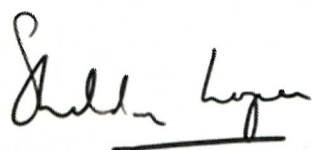
What are the Governors looking for?

- ✚ A teacher who believes in our Catholic Mission and will celebrate all our successes.
- ✚ A teacher who puts 'pupils first' and who doesn't accept second best.
- ✚ A teacher who is ambitious in the best possible sense, and who is committed to pupil progression and excellence.
- ✚ A teacher who will be part of the longer-term future of ensuring St Damian's continues to be an outstanding Catholic College.

If you are passionate about catholic education, can make a massive difference to children's lives and want a new challenge please contact my PA, Mrs Jo Biggs: jbiggs@stdamians.co.uk for an arranged visit. I would like this to be during the school day in order for you to get a 'feel' for the calm and purposeful environment that is St Damian's.

Finally, good luck in your future career and I hope to hear from you soon.

Yours sincerely



Mr S Logue
Headteacher