

Thank you for your interest in the Deputy Headteacher post, which is a great opportunity to join our school at a very exciting point in its development.

St Benet Biscop is a great place to work, first and foremost because of our fantastic students, who join us from both our Catholic feeder schools and a range of local primary schools. We are consistently oversubscribed and are very well thought of in the local community. The Sixth Form has 140 students, but we are expecting this to grow in the next couple of years, as more of our Year 11 students stay on into Sixth Form.

St Benet Biscop benefits from having excellent staff and they are the school's greatest asset, therefore, the task of appointing new staff is of great importance. Governors are committed to the school and are very supportive of staff, as are parents. We also enjoy a very strong partnership with our family of primaries. We are part of Bishop Bewick Catholic Education Trust, which has enhanced our relationship with our partner schools across Northumberland, North Tyneside and Newcastle. Bishop Bewick Catholic Education Trust is incredibly supportive and facilitates a large range of practical specialist networks allowing staff from across our five secondary schools to work together.

Our school is on a journey of improvement, to ensure that all students receive the best possible education. We were most recently inspected by Ofsted in January 2023 and were graded as Good in all areas. We are very pleased that Ofsted recognised the improvements made in all aspects of school life and we will use this as a springboard for the next steps in our development.

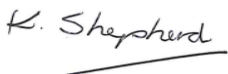
Academic achievement is just one element of our mission to provide our students with the best possible holistic education. Their all-round development is equally important. As a Catholic school, nurturing children's spiritual development is central to everything we do. This aspect of school life is flourishing. All staff are committed to understanding and actively promoting the school's distinctive Catholic/Christian ethos in their daily work. We have an excellent climate for learning in school.

The appointment of high calibre staff is key to securing the best outcomes for our students. We are seeking to appoint an exceptional senior leader to the post of Deputy Head. The Job Description outlines the main responsibilities of the post and the Person Specification summarises the key qualities required.

Candidates are welcome to arrange either a visit to the school or a telephone conversation about the post prior to applying by emailing [hr@stbb.org.uk](mailto:hr@stbb.org.uk). I hope that once you have had the chance to read the information available and to find out more about the school, you will be keen to apply. Should you be successful, I can assure you that you will be given outstanding support.

To apply, please complete the **application pack and include a supporting statement outlining the qualifications (including degree level), experience, skills and attributes which you will bring to the post. Your statement should be no more than 1,300 words.**

Your completed application pack should be sent to [hr@stbb.org.uk](mailto:hr@stbb.org.uk) for the attention of Mrs C Mills.



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