

## St Polycarp's Catholic Primary School

We love. Learn, grow and flourish together



## **JOIN OUR TEAM**

Wraparound Care Workers



# Welcome Message from our CEO



Dear Candidate,

Thank you for your interest in working at Xavier Catholic Education Trust (CET). My name is James Kibble and I have the privilege of serving as CEO, coordinating the work of our schools as we collaborate to ensure that every child has access to a world-class education.

At Xavier CET we provide the central services, including teacher training and professional development, so that leaders in our schools are free to focus on what matters most, creating exceptional educational experiences for all the children in our care.

Our Catholic faith is central to all that we do as it is the source of the values that inspire our work; you don't, however, have to be Catholic to work with us. All we ask is that people are committed to what we are trying to achieve; to help every child become the person they are called to be, live life to the full and play their part in making out world a better place in the future.

Working at Xavier is a great opportunity to join a happy and successful community of schools and education professionals. If you join us, we will be totally committed to supporting and developing you in your role and career development and in turn, you will enjoy all the opportunities and benefits that come from working in what we believe is a 'flagship' Catholic Education Trust.

Please visit our website www.xaviercet.org.uk to find out more about the Trust, our schools and our other services or contact us via info@xaviercet.org.uk for further information or to arrange a visit.

James Kibble
CEO - Xavier Catholic Education Trust





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## **Our Story**

## **Growing Together Continuously**

In 2016 we came together as a group of Catholic schools wanting to support each other to consistently deliver exceptional educational experiences for all the children in our care.

When deciding our name, we wanted something different, memorable and meaningful. Jesuit missionary, St Francis Xavier was a teacher and gave much of his time to teaching children, realising that they are the future. Despite encountering difficulties and resistance he never gave up. Inspired by Saint Francis Xavier, we continue to go wherever we are needed and can help; we learn from and share our ethos and faith with all we work with.

As Teachers, Governors, Directors and Support Staff in the Xavier Catholic Education Trust we devote ourselves to serving the children and spreading the good news of the Gospel and like St Francis, we too will never give up in our mission.

We have since grown to include 17 schools - 14 primary and 3 secondary schools – and proudly continue to learn from and grow with every new school we welcome into our trust family. **To find out more about our schools please visit: https://www.xaviercet.org.uk** 

## **Our Mission**



### What we aim to achieve

To provide an outstanding Catholic education for all the children in our schools and exceptional training for teachers at all stages of their career.

We will follow the example and teachings of Christ and everything we do will be inspired by gospel values. We will strive for excellence in all areas of our work and cherish every child and member of staff in our care.

We know we are succeeding when everyone in our care is better off because we are there.

## **Our Values**

How we operate

#### Faith

Everything we do is rooted in faith and lived out through Gospel values

#### Hope

We are optimistic about the future and see the God-given potential in everyone

#### Love

We believe in the power of reconciliation and treat everyone with loving kindness

### Service

We accept the mantle of leadership and recognise that our mission is to serve

### Integrity

We work for the greater good, strive for justice and always try to do the right thing

### **Excellence**

We are committed to challenging ourselves to offer first-class provision in all that we do

## **Our People**

### Join Us. Grow With Us. Flourish With Us.

Like any successful organisation, we rely on recruiting, developing and retaining the very best people to ensure that all that we do continues to be recognised as first-class by all those that we serve. The minimum requirement to work with us is to be energetic, enthusiastic, to have a "can-do" attitude and to be passionate about doing whatever it takes to ensure that the children and staff we serve get the best possible education.

Beyond the passion required to join our team, you will also need to demonstrate the potential to be excellent at what you do and whilst you don't have to be Catholic to work with us, you certainly have to be supportive of everything we stand for and aspire to.

If that sounds like you, please know that Xavier is a brilliant place to work. Our staff are our greatest asset; everything we achieve is down to their hard work and dedication, and we therefore ensure that they are very well looked after.



## **Testimonials**



What our people say



"I wanted to work in a position I love and something I enjoy and know that I would wake up and go to work and come home having enjoyed my day and achieved something."

"Teaching for me is about having a passion for learning...having the passion, enthusiasm and energy needed to be a teacher."





"The NPQ program is a great opportunity to network with likeminded colleagues. It's provided me with a platform to discuss approaches to leadership and learn about my own style."

## Why Work For Us

Staff Benefits

# EMPLOYEE WELLBEING

- Inclusive welcoming culture
- Work life and family friendly policies
- Flexible working opportunities
- Green Car and Cycle-to-work Schemes
- Dental Insurance, My Gym Discounts, Health discounts
- Highly competitive Local Government Pension Scheme (Support Staff) and Teachers' Pension Scheme (Teachers)

### **PENSION SCHEME**

# TRAINING & DEVELOPMENT

- · Senior and middle leadership skills programmes
- Comprehensive development programme for trainee teachers and ECT's
- Coaching culture to support teacher learning and development.
- Holistic approach to appraisal system, focused on your
   CPD and not just on measuring performance
- Collaborate and share best-practice across our growing family of primary & secondary schools
- Trust-wide career development opportunities
- Work alongside Xavier Teach Southeast, and Teaching School Hub, an outstanding initial teacher training and ECT provider

# TRUST-WIDE COLLABORATION



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# **JOIN OUR TEAM** Job Specification





## Welcome

## Message from the Head



Dear Candidate,

St. Polycarp's Catholic Primary School is a two form entry school, serving a rich and diverse community. We are located in Farnham close to the town centre, train station and lots of green space! We have a well established reputation for providing excellent education and for developing a love of learning, creativity, independence and are ambitious for all..

We are a vibrant, happy community where the Gospel values form the basis of our ethos and teaching, helping children to face challenges with confidence and resilience. We celebrate that every child is unique and ensure that all children are valued. **The St.**Polycarp's ethos is encapsulated in our vision: 'We love, learn, grow and flourish together'.

We have amazing facilities which include a large tree lined playing field, a multi-use games area, two playgrounds, trim trails, two halls and IT suite.

At St. Polycarp's you will find a welcoming and friendly staff with a supportive, experienced and forward-thinking leadership team. We embrace new educational initiatives proven to have a positive impact on our children. To support class learning we have a dedicated music teacher and PE Coach who work across the school to deliver the PE and Music curriculum. We are proud of the children and they are eager to learn. We can offer career development and a commitment to supporting future leaders through personal development and training as part of the Xavier Trust. Applications are warmly welcomed from both Catholic and Non-Catholic applicants.

Mrs Paula Best - Headteacher





# **Job Specification**

## Wraparound Care Workers

St Polycarp's Catholic Primary School is looking to appoint dynamic and reliable breakfast and afterschool club workers to join our team at our wraparound care provision, The Hive.

**Job Purpose** - To actively work and participate under the direction of the Hive Manager to provide exciting opportunities for children to relax, play and learn.

### Key Deliverables include: assisting Hive Manager with:

- Planning and implementation of daily activities ensuring that children's needs are met.
- Providing safe, creative and appropriate play opportunities
- Ensuring that all relevant records are maintained.
- Ensuring that food provision is carried out within the statutory guidelines.

#### **Key Accountabilities**

- Deliver support/intervention to children including those who have physical, emotional or educational needs under the direction of senior staff.
- Carry our routine tasks to organise and maintain equipment and environment within the Hive.
- Ensure all well-being, behaviour and personal development of attendees
- May carry out personal care routines as appropriate.
- May be required to respond to needs of children in routine, pre-agreed tasks (including routine medical needs)
- Plan own set activities and tasks as required
- Respond to individual needs and/or answer simple queries politely and ask for assistance where necessary.
- Report any concerns, problems or incidents e.g. safeguarding, behaviour, breakdowns, deficiencies in accordance with relevant reporting procedures.





### **Key Accountabilities**

• Liaise with parents, visitors and other staff members in a courteous manner to promote a positive image of the school and the Hive.

### Duties for all

**Values:** To uphold the Catholic values and behaviours of the School and Xavier Catholic Education Trust

**Equality & Diversity:** To work inclusively, with a diverse range of stakeholders and promote equality of opportunity.

Health, Safety & Welfare: To maintain high standards of Health, Safety and Welfare at work and take reasonable care for the health and safety of themselves and others.. To have regard to and comply with safeguarding policy and procedure as appropriate.

The Core National Standards for Supporting Teaching & Learning: To understand and carry out role in line with agreed standards, expectations & qualifications. Contribute to and influence children's learning and personal development' should appear in all grades. To have regard to and comply with safeguarding policy and procedures.





### Wraparound Care Worker: Person Specification

- Able to demonstrate basic numeracy and literacy, eg, through GCSE qualification in English and Maths or equivalent, or able to evidence ability at an equivalent level.
- Patient and caring.
- Enthusiastic, creative and understand how to make learning activities fun for children
- Ability to apply relevant health and safety, equality and diversity, and other school policies and procedures.
- Flexible and able to adapt approach dependent on individual children and their needs
- Ability to work with others to provide excellent care to pupils and support families.
- Ability to communicate clearly.
- Previous experience of working with children or young people would be desirable but not essential.

#### Job Details

- Permanent, full time and part time posts available
- Variety of sessions available from Monday to Friday working 7.15am 8.45am, 3.00pm to 4.15pm, 3.00pm to 5.30pm and 3.00pm to 6.00pm
- Hourly rate £12.56 (FTE £23,576)
- Free wraparound care sessions for your children if they attend St Polycarp's on the sessions you are working

### Start date: As soon as possible

Closing date for applications is Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October 2024 at 9am. Interviews to be confirmed. Early application is recommended as we reserve the right to interview and appoint at any time during the recruitment process.

This School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children, young people and vulnerable adults and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. The Successful applicant will be required to undertake an enhanced check via the Disclosure and Barring Service.











## **How To Apply**

Please apply by visiting our school website:

https://www.stpolycarps.surrey.sch.uk/Vacancies/

Alternatively you can visit our Xavier CET website and eteach portal via these links:

<u>Xavier Catholic Education Trust - Vacancies (xaviercet.org.uk)</u> https://www.eteach.com/careers/xaviercet-org

You will be able to apply for any of our current job vacancies, as well as sign up for our Talent Pool, so that we may contact you about any suitable roles that arise in the future.

**SAFEGUARDING:** Xavier Catholic Trust is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. The appointment will be made subject to an Enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service approval ('DBS') as part of our rigorous approach to safeguarding our children.

### Safer Recruitment Policies

Please find the all the safer recruitment policies on the link below:

https://www.eteach.com/careers/xaviercet-org

**EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES:** Xavier Catholic Trust is committed to equality of opportunity for all colleagues, pupils and other stakeholders. Applications from individuals are encouraged regardless of age, disability, sex, gender reassignment, sexual orientation, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief and marriage and civil partnerships.



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