

Teacher of ICT and Computing

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'Academies in Christ' Part of the Archdiocese of Southwark



Dear Prospective Candidate

Thank you for your interest in this exciting opportunity to join our dynamic team of dedicated professionals striving to provide our students with the very best Catholic education possible.

Our mission is clear and profound: to provide every student in our care with a world-class Catholic education, ensuring they are embraced by our inclusive and loving community. At the heart of our educational philosophy is the belief that **every child is known and loved**. Inspired by the life of St Gregory, we strive to empower our students, teaching them to understand their own unique value and dignity. Through this understanding, they can recognise and realise their God-given potential.

We aim for our students to become servant leaders, guided by principles of empathy and integrity, making unique and positive contributions to society and the world. We hold ambitious expectations for our students and challenge them to strive for the very best they can achieve. We enable our students to take personal responsibility for their education and development, overcoming barriers and owning their actions so that they can be rightly proud of their achievements.

At St Gregory's, we are dedicated to creating a safe environment for our students so that they can be themselves with confidence. Clear expectations are provided, allowing them to flourish academically, emotionally and spiritually. Our commitment to truly knowing each student enables us to provide a nurturing atmosphere where they can grow and thrive.

Central to our educational approach is the emphasis on personal and spiritual development. Opportunities for prayer, reflection, and collective worship form an integral part of school life. Through these experiences, students gain a deeper understanding of themselves and their spiritual formation. We encourage them to reflect on their lives, their beliefs, and the unique role they play in the world around them.

By joining us, you will play a crucial role in shaping the educational journey of our students. We would be delighted to discuss how you could become a part of our dynamic community, where a commitment to excellence, inclusivity and the values of our Catholic tradition defines who we are.

Thank you for considering St Gregory's as the place to inspire and be inspired.

Yours faithfully Mike Wilson Headteacher - St Gregory's Catholic School

Our Vision

We provide the students in our care with a world-class Catholic education. We guide our students to understand their own unique value and dignity. Inspired by the life of St Gregory, we empower our students to approach, with vigour, the opportunities of their education; to recognise and realise their potential as servant leaders and use their discernment to choose how they will make the world a better place.

Our Aims

With Christ's love at the centre of all that we do, students;

- live life to the full
- learn all they can about their world in order to
- lead lives which change it for the better

Students accomplish this because our curriculum:

- is appropriately ambitious for all our students, including SEND and Disadvantaged students
- is progressive, interleaved and sequenced to develop knowledge and understanding
- provides opportunities to develop and strengthen literacy across all curriculum areas
- provides opportunities for reading
- promotes opportunities for the development of strong relationships, healthy lifestyles and good wellbeing
- challenges students to apply their knowledge and make informed decisions
- teaches our students how to learn and develop scholarly habits so that they become confident, independent learners
- promotes a learning environment in which students discover and develop new talents helping them to become well-rounded individuals

• provides world class opportunities in our schools' four pillars enabling students to gain a strong understanding of how to achieve success through balance in their lives

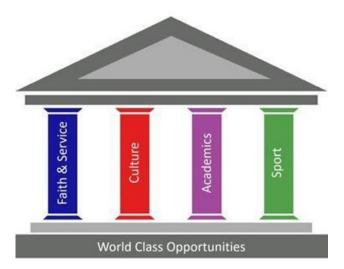
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These pillars provide a framework to focus students as they set ambitious goals for their future.

Our aim, through our curriculum is to develop young people:

• who are happy and feel fulfilled

• who have the confidence, resilience and knowledge to build relationships, pursue active and healthy lifestyles and stay mentally healthy



- who are curious, enjoy learning and have high expectations for themselves and are ambitious for their futures
- who know how to learn and evaluate their own strengths to make progress
- who can make and articulate informed decisions and are aware of their rights and responsibilities in a global society
- who demonstrate respect, compassion and empathy towards the beliefs and values of others
- who possess the cultural capital they need so that they are not disadvantaged by the social context in which they live



About St Gregory's Catholic School



St Gregory's Catholic School is a Catholic secondary school and part of the Kent Catholic Schools' Partnership (KCSP). KCSP is a multi-academy trust (MAT) established by the Archdiocese of Southwark for Catholic education across Kent and it currently comprises 26 academies of which 21 are primary schools and five are secondary schools.

St Gregory's Catholic School is an over-subscribed seven-form entry secondary school located in Tunbridge Wells and is a popular destination for pupils from its Catholic partner primary schools in Tunbridge Wells, Tonbridge and Sevenoaks.

St Gregory's Catholic School is an inclusive academy. Its dedicated staff, helpers and governance committee members work hard to ensure that every student is supported

and challenged to be their very best. Each individual is encouraged to grow spiritually and intellectually, so that unique and positive contributions can be made to society and the world. Its most recent denominational inspection in March 2018 judged it as 'Outstanding' and its most recent Ofsted inspection in March 2013 judged the academy to be 'Outstanding' in all areas.



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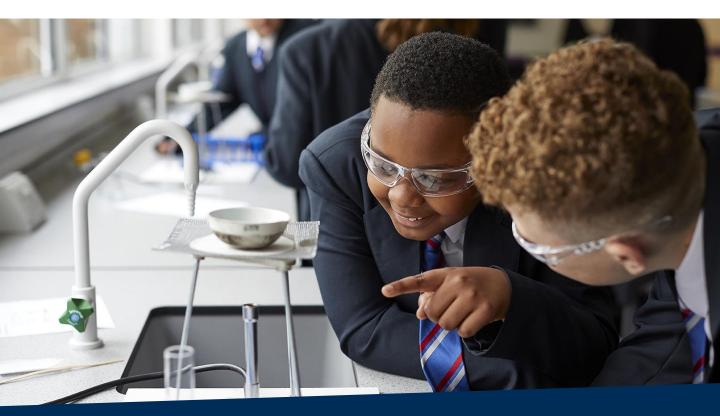
We wish to appoint an inspirational and well-qualified **Teacher of ICT and Computing** to join our supportive and talented team at St Gregory's.

The ICT department offers both GCSE and A Level Computer Science and IT and is seeking a colleague who will be passionate about ICT and able to inspire all students to reach their full potential in this important curriculum area. Experience of, or demonstrating the potential to teach, coding and programming to Key Stage Three pupils is desirable.

St Gregory's pupils love to gain new knowledge and skills and all our teachers relish the opportunity to deliver challenging, engaging and interesting lessons, with high expectations of behaviour.

Benefits of working at St Gregory's:

- A supportive and caring working environment for staff and students
- A research-informed approach to curriculum design and assessment
- Fully planned and resourced schemes of work for KS3 and KS4
- Opportunity to teach KS5 for the right candidate
- Dedicated and bespoke CPD time for all staff each term
- · Opportunities to complete external qualifications such as Masters
- Free Gym Membership
- Kent Rewards Scheme



Job description

Job Title:	Teacher of ICT & Computing
Salary Grade:	MPS/UPS (M1 (£30,000) – UPS3 (£46,525)
FTE:	1.0
Line Manager:	Subject Leader of ICT

Purpose of Job:

To raise standards of student attainment and achievement within the whole subject and to monitor and support student progress and be accountable for student progress and development within the subject and to support it in the area of learning

Key duties and responsibilities:

- To actively monitor and follow up student progress
- To work with colleagues to formulate aims and objectives for the area of learning which have coherence and relevance to the needs of students and to the aims and objectives of the school
- To link with other leaders in and beyond the subject and area of learning, to ensure that work in the subject fully reflects the school's distinctive ethos and mission
- To undertake an appropriate programme of teaching in accordance with the duties of a standard scale teacher
- To keep up to date with national developments in the subject and teaching practice and methodology.
- To ensure effective communication/consultation as appropriate with the parents/ guardians of students
- To play a full part in the life of the school community, to support its distinctive mission and ethos and to encourage staff and students to follow this example.



Person specification

	Criteria	Essential/ Desirable
Faith	Understanding of the distinctive nature of a faith school	D
Commitment	A practising Catholic	D
Qualifications	Graduate qualification in the Subject or equivalent	E
	Qualified Teacher Status	Е
	Experience of teaching the subject to G.C.S.E level and the ability to teach to A level	Е
Knowledge & Experience	Ability to organise and prioritise workload and work on own initiative	Е
	The ability to work constructively as part of a team, understanding School roles and responsibilities and the post holder's position within these	E
	Ability to communicate well in writing and face to face to all stakeholders	Е
	Demonstrable experience of improving successful student outcomes in the last three years	E
	Producing high quality experiences and outcomes for students	E
	Experience as Tutor and/ or pastoral work	Е
Skills, Qualities & Abilities	Empathy with pupils	Е
	Use ICT effectively	Е
	A commitment and understanding of the use of ICT within the curriculum	Е
	Excellent communication skills	Е
	Excellent interpersonal skills	Е
	Excellent organisation skills	Е
	Dedication	E
	Ability to remain positive and enthusiastic when working under pressure	E
	Ability to organise work, prioritise tasks, make decisions and manage time effectively	E
	Assembly, disassembly and cleaning of equipment	E



Application process

You are welcome to contact HR at <u>HR@sgschool.org.uk</u> if you would like to visit the school before submitting an application.

For ease of applying, we are happy to accept applications directly via Kent-teach using this link: <u>CLICK HERE</u>

Should you be shortlisted for interview, additional information may be requested at that time.

Closing date for applications: 15 April at 9am Start date: June 2024

All applicants need to have the Right to Work in the UK to be considered for this role. This vacancy may close on or before the specified closing date depending on the volume of suitable applicants. If you are unsuccessful, we will contact you accordingly

Safer Recruitment

St Gregory's is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and this position is subject to satisfactory enhanced disclosure from the Disclosure and Barring Service. We are an equal opportunities employer.

Candidates will be subject to an online search if shortlisted. The search will not form part of the shortlisting process itself and shortlisted candidates will have the chance to address any issues of concern that come up during the search at interview.

