Thank you for taking the time to consider the post of teacher at Chorley, St Mary’s. The children, governors and staff of St Mary’s Catholic Primary School & Nursery wish to appoint a highly motivated and skilled class teacher on a temporary, part-time basis to join our friendly staff team in order to support the children of our school on their journey of learning and faith.

We offer:

* a friendly, Christian school where everyone is valued and supported;
* well behaved, positive, enthusiastic children who enjoy learning;
* supportive parents and governors who are keen for the school to thrive;
* a committed and friendly team of dedicated, hard-working and supportive staff;
* a modern building, excellent facilities and spacious grounds;
* opportunities for continued professional development.

We are looking for a candidate who will:

* support the Catholic ethos of our school;
* be passionate about achieving the very best for every child;
* have excellent subject knowledge with experience in KS2
* have a high degree of professionalism in their approach to work;
* be well organised and have the highest expectations of learning, achievement, progress and behaviour;
* be enthusiastic and fully committed to playing an active role in every aspect of school life;
* establish and maintain excellent relationships with children, parents and colleagues.

The successful candidate will teach in Year 4 all day on a Monday. Additional hours may be available to cover other classes as and when the occasions arise. The post is a part-time position (0.2 FTE) sharing the class teacher role with an experienced teacher. It is offered on the main pay range and is offered on a temporary contract from 01.09.21 until 31.08.2022. It is temporary because the established Y4 class teacher has a temporarily reduced working week. This arrangement is reviewed on an annual basis.

Applications should be made using the attached application form, with a supporting statement of no more than 1 300 words detailing why you believe your experience, skills, personal qualities, training and/or education are relevant to your suitability for the post advertised and how you meet the person specification applicable to the post. You should also pay attention to the job description.

**About St Mary’s …**

St Mary’s Catholic Primary School and Nursery is known locally as Chorley St Mary’s. We have wonderful, well-behaved children who work hard and show kindness and consideration to one another. We have a dedicated and talented staff team all focused on ensuring that our pupils receive the best possible education and care. We have a supportive, committed and welcoming community of parents and governors. We are a well-resourced school, blessed with well-maintained buildings and beautiful school grounds; it’s a great place to come to school!

Chorley, St Mary’s is well-loved and highly regarded within our local community. It has a rich and proud history, but its aims and efforts are fixed firmly on the future; specifically, the future of the children we educate and care for. To this end, we work in close partnership with parents, families and the Parish of St Mary’s to give our pupils the very best start in life.

Children do well at St Mary’s, and we are very proud of what they have achieved and how much they have developed by the time they come to leave us.

**Our vision**

*From their first day to their last at St Mary’s, we support our children on a journey of learning and faith.*

*In learning, we want our children, by the time they leave our school: to be numerate and literate, to have received their full entitlement in all areas of the curriculum, and to have the opportunities to succeed in areas of particular interest to them. We want the children to be active and healthy. We want the children to be challenged, to be exposed to the highest quality teaching, to take risks, to be unafraid of making mistakes and to reach their full potential.*

*On their journey of faith, we want to support our children to develop into well-rounded citizens for the future. We want the children to be thoughtful, loving, caring and considerate members of society. We want the children’s attitudes, decision-making and relationships to be underpinned and informed by Christian values with Christ at the centre of all we do at school. We want to be a Catholic, Christian community which aims for excellence and which learns, improves and achieves.*

‘*With Christ, we live, love, learn and grow.’*

**Significant dates**

Visits are welcome on Wednesday 9th June and Thursday 10th June after school from 3.30pm. Please contact the school business manager, Mrs Wilson, at school on 01257 262811 or by email at [office@chorleystmarys.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:office@chorleystmarys.lancs.sch.uk) to arrange.

Closing date for applications: 12 noon - Monday 14th June.

Shortlisting: will take place on Thursday 17th June

Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.

Shortlisted candidates will be invited into school to deliver a short lesson to children in Y4, week commencing 21st June.

Interviews will take place Thursday, 1st July.

If you would like to find out more about our school or the post, please visit our website [www.chorleystmarys.lancs.sch.uk](http://www.chorleystmarys.lancs.sch.uk) or call the school on 01257 262811 and speak to the school business manager or myself.

Yours sincerely,

Patrick Smyth