Job role: EYFS Teacher (TLR available for Leadership of EYFS & Phonics and Early Reading for experienced candidate)

Visa sponsorship: Visas cannot be sponsored

Key stage: Early years

Working pattern: Full time

Contract type: Permanent

Pay scale: UPS/MPS plus TLR for experienced candidate (Inner London)

Who We Are

We are a successful Catholic Federation of two primary schools:

- Sacred Heart RC Primary School (Battersea)
- St Mary's RC Primary School (Battersea)

Sacred Heart is a thriving, inclusive, two-form entry school with an ASC (Autistic Spectrum Condition) Base, located just a short walk from **Clapham Junction** train station.

As a **forward-thinking and aspirational Federation**, we are deeply proud of the education and care we provide for every child and family in our community.

Our Recent Recognitions:

- Ofsted, June 2023: "If pupils have a talent, they will find it here."
- Catholic School Inspectorate, January 2025: "Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School is a very special community; they are welcoming and supportive to all and serve the Lord with joy."

Role Available: EYFS Class Teacher, (leadership opportunity available for experienced candidate: EYFS and Early Reading and Phonics Lead)

We are looking for an enthusiastic, outstanding teacher with the opportunity for an experienced candidate to take on a leadership role. The successful candidate will motivate, challenge, support and inspire our students. They must also have proven and relevant experience in EYFS and phonics teaching.

Applications from ECTs are welcome, as are applications from experienced staff looking to take on leadership of EYFS and phonics and early reading.

The successful applicant will:

- Be a passionate and effective classroom practitioner with a strong commitment to early childhood education;
- Have the ability to engage, enthuse, and motivate children and their families;
- Demonstrate a thorough understanding of the EYFS framework and its principles;
- Create a stimulating and engaging learning environment that fosters curiosity and exploration;
- Be skilled in planning and delivering a curriculum that meets the diverse needs of all children, ensuring that learning is both enjoyable and challenging;
- Be able to provide personalised learning for children with additional needs
- Be an inclusive practitioner
- Have experience of teaching phonics successfully (preferably Little Wandle)
- Be a reflective practitioner who is committed to continuous professional development and improvement;
- Work collaboratively with colleagues, parents, and external professionals to support children's learning and development.

Personal Attributes:

- A practising Catholic is preferred; however, applications from candidates who are supportive of our Catholic ethos are warmly welcomed.
- A collaborative, committed team player with a sense of humour, creativity, and energy.
- Ability to build strong relationships with parents and across the Federation.

What We Offer You

Our Commitment to Staff:

- EYFS is a core priority at Sacred Heart we know early education shapes a child's future success.
- Collaborative PPA time with your parallel teacher for joint planning and reflection.
- Leadership release time
- ECT mentor and tutor with high quality support
- Termly PPA from home
- High-quality, personalised CPD opportunities.
- Strong cross-Federation collaboration for staff and pupils.

Our Working Environment:

- Calm, productive classrooms with excellent learning behaviours.
- Supportive colleagues
- Happy, kind, and creative children who love learning.
- Specialist teachers in music, PE, and computing.
- Outdoor spaces including gardens and an astro-turf pitch.

Our Support Systems:

- A robust induction process and ongoing support from an experienced leadership team.
- An active, supportive Parent and Governor community.
- Staff Employee Assistance Programme (EAP).
- Parish links
- Free parking

Our Location:

• Excellent transport links – a short walk to Clapham Junction.

Are You Ready to Inspire?

If you are passionate about **EYFS education**, **early reading**, and **making a real difference** in children's lives, we would love to hear from you.

Join our **welcoming**, joyful, and ambitious Sacred Heart community — where talent is nurtured and celebrated!

Visits are warmly welcomed. We look forward to hearing from you and would encourage you to contact Mrs Byrne at Sacred Heart via the school office.

An Application Form, Job Description and Person Specification can be downloaded below.

Completed application should be returned to the school either by email: <u>bursar@sacredheart-battersea.wandsworth.sch.uk</u> or by post.

Closing date: 15th May (noon) Shortlisting: 15th May Interviews: 22nd May

The Federation of Sacred Heart and St Mary's RC Primary Schools are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children, young people and vulnerable adults and expect all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.

The successful candidate will have to meet the requirements of the person specification and will be subject to pre-employment checks including a health check, an enhanced DBS check and satisfactory references.

CVs are not accepted.

The Federation of Sacred Heart & St Mary's Catholic Primary Schools, Battersea

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