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Dear Applicant

Re: Application for the role of Head of Mathematics

Thank you for your interest in St Ignatius College and the post of Subject Leader for Mathematics. I hope the application pack will encourage you to visit our very special, distinctive community and help you to decide whether this post and our College are right for you at this stage in your career.

We are on a journey of continuous improvement and our results are testament to our commitment to ensuring the best possible outcomes for our students. Achievement in Mathematics, in particular, is outstanding and this year we are aiming to exceed our 2018 Progress 8 score of 0.41 and our success at A level (47% A*/A). We are fortunate to have strong, committed, passionate subject specialist teachers who communicate their love of their subjects to our students. Maths is highly popular at all Key Stages, particularly at A level where we have 2 maths groups and a further maths group. Many of our students go on to study maths or related subjects at university level. The related extra-curricular offer is strong and includes coding, cryptography, booster and intervention sessions assisted by our senior mathematicians, and entries for the Olympiad and the UKMAT at all levels. We also have strong links with our feeder primaries and work collaboratively with their maths leads.

Whilst we are proud of our academic standards, we are about much more than academic results. Our aim is for our students to be happy, safe, respected as individuals and to thrive in every way. All who work here are committed to ensuring a climate of high expectations, high quality teaching and excellent pastoral care: we want the best for every child and expect the best of them. We believe that, with the right support, all can achieve regardless of their starting points or background.

The College is an open, welcoming and warm community. Relationships define us. We are reflective, evaluative and work hard to further improve all aspects of school life. We are confident of our future as we work resolutely to become an outstanding College in all respects, meeting the needs of the twenty-first century yet maintaining our distinctive Jesuit identity. The candidate appointed to this post will have a wonderful opportunity to play a key leadership role in making this vision a reality and to grow in professional confidence and to experience great personal fulfilment.

I recognise that, as a potential candidate for this post, you are at a pivotal point in your career. In our community, we pride ourselves on working collaboratively and are committed to developing our staff professionally. The successful candidate will be fully supported in this stage of his or her career. There is the opportunity to be part of an extended leadership team playing a key part in the strategic development of the College for the right candidate.

If you wish to continue to develop outstanding provision in maths and to help shape this distinctive community then I encourage you to pursue your application and I very much look forward to meeting with you in the near future.

With every good wish

Yours faithfully

Mary O'Keeffe
Headteacher