Primary School Teacher

St Virgil’s College is a Grade 3 to Year 10 school for boys, founded in 1911 and conducted by Edmund Rice Education Australia. The aim of the College is to support parents in educating their sons within the Catholic tradition and the spirit of Edmund Rice.

The St Virgil’s Junior School (Grade 3 to 6) has approximately 160 students and is located in Patrick Street, Hobart, adjacent to St Mary’s Cathedral. The secondary campus (Grade 7 to 10) has approximately 570 students and is situated on an expansive property at Austins Ferry. The primary teacher role will be located on the Patrick Street campus.

Job Title: Primary Teacher

Reports To: Head of Junior School

Job Summary

The Primary Teacher has a responsibility to teach boys in accordance with the stated aims of the curriculum of St Virgil’s College. The role of the primary teacher is to develop engaging and challenging curriculum and positive relationships with boys and their parents to enhance learning outcomes. All teaching within the College is conducted in line with the mission of a Catholic school in the Edmund Rice tradition.

The College seeks a highly skilled and innovative educator to deliver the school’s teaching and learning and student wellbeing programmes. Classroom teachers work collaboratively with colleagues and assist in the development of curriculum that supports the school’s culture as a Catholic school for boys in the Edmund Rice tradition.

Successful applicants will demonstrate: expertise in curriculum and in current pedagogical thinking, a commitment to student wellbeing, an understanding of and commitment to teaching boys and support for the College’s values.

All applicants must be eligible to work in Australia, hold TRB registration and have a current satisfactory criminal record check.
Duties and Responsibilities

Primary teachers are expected to discharge the following duties and responsibilities:

- Demonstrate a commitment to the Catholic ethos and education system and a passion for the teaching of religious education.
- Demonstrate high level inter-personal skills with colleagues, parents and students alike.
- Demonstrate the effective use of contemporary learning technologies to enhance student learning.
- Demonstrate innovation to enable children to generate, demonstrate and exhibit understandings.
- Provide opportunities to engage students in a variety of learning experiences where boys are encouraged and supported in achieving personal excellence.
- Provide students with a positive role model through their actions as a committed Catholic educator.
- Teach classes in line with courses of study developed by the Learning Team and in accordance with the requirements of the Australian Curriculum.
- Be able to assist students with individual and group work in accordance with the work requirements outlined in course of studies.
- Assist Curriculum Coordinator in reviewing, designing and developing curriculum.
- Work as part of a team of primary Catholic educators.
- Work as part of the College’s teaching staff at St Virgil’s.
- Other tasks as directed by the head of Junior School.

Experience and Qualifications

The Primary Teacher would have the following:

- Qualifications and current teacher accreditation;
- Demonstrated understanding of contemporary education with an emphasis on innovative and engaging classroom teaching and curriculum development;
- Understanding of the learning needs of boys; and
- Understanding of a primary Catholic educational learning environment.

Support Staff

The Primary Teacher will be supported by a range of personnel, including:

- Principal
- Head of Junior School
- Grade Teachers
- Teaching staff
Remuneration

The Primary Teacher will be remunerated in line with the St Virgil’s College Catholic Schools Award.

Tenure

The Primary Teacher is a full time replacement position. A performance and development process will be undertaken with the College’s Head of Junior School and Director of Teacher Performance on an annual basis.

Key Selection Criteria

The Key Selection Criteria that will be used to select the Primary Teacher are:

1. Demonstrated understanding and respect for the Catholic educational philosophy of St Virgil’s College.
2. Demonstrated ability to successfully develop innovative curriculum initiatives that enhance educational outcomes for boys.
3. Demonstrated ability and enthusiasm to teach within primary learning areas, in particular Religious Education.
4. Demonstrated understanding of the major educational issues impacting upon boys.

Application Procedure

Applications addressing the key selection criteria for the position of Primary Teacher should be submitted to the Principal, Mr Damian Messer. Applications close on Monday November 24 2014.

Applications to:

Mr Damian Messer
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