



Chief Executive Officer

Salary:	Competitive
Location:	Preston
Contract Type:	Permanent / Full time
Start Date:	From Sept 2023

In faithfulness to Christ's Command: "Go out to the whole world and proclaim the Good News!" (Mark 16:5)

Directors at Mater Ecclesiae Catholic Multi-Academy Trust wish to appoint a Chief Executive Officer for our new and expanding Multi-Academy Trust in Preston and rural Preston.

Mater Ecclesiae is newly established with its first seven primary schools joining in December 2022. Further schools wish to join in the coming year, working towards the Diocese of Lancaster's vision that 23 schools across Preston and rural Preston will in time be part of Mater Ecclesiae Catholic Multi-Academy Trust.

This is an exciting time of growth and development for our family of schools. Mater Ecclesiae Board are looking for a permanent CEO to build upon the excellent foundations laid by our interim CEO in the approvals/opening phase. We are seeking an inspirational leader who can provide visible strategic leadership, drive achievement of high standards and develop the Catholic character of the Mater Ecclesiae family of schools. This is an opportunity to lead the Trust's organisational development and change, establish the Mater Ecclesiae culture and to have an impact on the education of young people across the Preston area.

Interested in taking on the challenge?

- You must be a practising Catholic with the ability to articulate a clear vision and commitment to Catholic education.
- You will have experience of successful system leadership/school improvement within educational settings.
- You will have a proven track record of building effective teams and management structures, with an ability to inspire others to commit to a shared purpose and vision.

This is an exciting opportunity to shape and build the future of Catholic education within the Diocese of Lancaster. This is a highly influential role and an extremely attractive and rewarding career opportunity.

For an informal and confidential chat about the post or if you would like to visit our Trust, please contact **Julie Ingham**, HR Officer by email julie@justpeoplehr.com in the first instance. Application packs can be requested by emailing julie@justpeoplehr.com or downloaded from our website at <https://mater-ecclesiae-trust.co.uk/>

The closing date for applications is 12 noon on Wednesday 22 March 2023 with interviews taking place on 18 and 19 April 2023.

Mater Ecclesiae Catholic Multi-Academy Trust is committed to the safeguarding and promoting the welfare of young people.

All appointments are subject to satisfactory references, and all required pre-employment checks which includes an enhanced DBS check. In addition, as recommended by Keeping Children Safe in Education 2022, online searches will be carried out by the Trusts HR Provider, Just People HR as part of due diligence on any shortlisted candidates. Searches are done in line with GDPR UK/DPA 2018 as a regulatory requirement.