



Education Department

Project Lead (CMAT Development) Information for applicants

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Introduction from the Archbishop of Liverpool

Thank you for your interest in a career at the Archdiocese of Liverpool.

As an archdiocese, we serve thousands of people every week through our parishes, schools, partnerships and local communities.

It is a significant time in the life of our archdiocese, as we continue to walk together on the journey set out by our Pastoral Plan in becoming the Church God calls us to be. This plan outlines a clear mission for the future of our Church and every single member of staff plays a vital role in helping us achieve this.

As an employer, we offer a wide range of benefits and a place to develop your career in an environment where every member of staff is valued and encouraged to develop fully their gifts.

We are looking for people whose values align with ours and are passionate about playing a key role in the next steps of our journey.

Thank you again for considering a role within our archdiocese. Each person contributes to our wider mission. I am grateful for your interest in joining us in this important work.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "+ John Sherrington .". The signature is written in a cursive style.

**Most Reverend John Sherrington
Archbishop of Liverpool**



Education Department

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As an archdiocese, we serve thousands of people every week through our parishes, schools, partnerships and local communities. Our work is rooted in faith and a commitment to supporting and nurturing individuals at every stage of life.

The Education Department has undergone a number of changes in recent years. Originally it was the Department of Schools and in 2021 this merged with the Christian Education Department. The Department comprises various different services such as School Improvement, RE Advisory, Catholic Schools Inspection and Governance Services.

In line with the Archdiocese's strategic direction, previous school improvement trusts (ALPSIT for Primary and ALSSIT for Secondary) have now been dissolved. This reflects the Trustees' vision for all Archdiocesan education services and structures to operate collaboratively under the umbrella of the Archdiocese of Liverpool Education Department.

"A Family in Christ: Our Future Together", set out plans to develop families of schools that will work collaboratively to secure and enhance future Catholic education in the archdiocese.

Schools in the archdiocese will be invited to join three Catholic Multi Academy Trusts (CMATs):

1. St Joseph Catholic Multi Academy Trust
2. Pope Francis Catholic Multi Academy Trust
3. Our Lady of Lourdes North West Catholic Academy Trust – a new CMAT scheduled to be established in 2027

Schools belonging to a religious order will make their own decision about joining a CMAT.





About the Role

Project Lead CMAT Development

3 years fixed term contract

We are pleased to offer an exciting opportunity for a Project Lead (CMAT Development) within our Education Department. This is a key strategic leadership role within the Archdiocese of Liverpool with overall responsibility for leading and delivering the implementation of our academy strategy "A Family in Christ: Our Future Together".

The role will provide focused leadership capacity during a pivotal period for Catholic education, ensuring that change is values-led, relationship centred and rooted in Catholic mission.

The role will provide both direction and support for schools and academies during their journey and will help guide collaboration and mutual support across our schools and trusts.

When completed we will have three of the biggest academy trusts in the country, so this is an amazing opportunity to contribute to shaping Catholic education in the North West.

Further information -
<https://www.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/departments/education/academies>

About the person

Our ideal candidate will have experience working in a Catholic school environment and will be familiar, if not experienced, with academisation and project management. A confident communicator who is able to calmly and confidently manage expectations of multiple stakeholders.

You will be a solution focussed innovator who can rise to the challenge of shaping Catholic education in the future.



Terms and Conditions

3 years fixed term contract

Salary

£60,000. Per annum (FTE £60,000).

Location

Saint Margaret Clitherow Centre, Croxteth Drive, Liverpool, L17 1AA.

Working Hours

Full time, Contracted 35 hours per week Monday to Friday.

Annual leave

38 days inclusive of two gifted days and eight bank/public holidays. 3 day closedown over Christmas period.

Pension

Employees will be enrolled into the People's Pension Scheme with a contribution rate of 3% and 5% contributed by the employer. The archdiocese will match employee contributions up to 6% of their pensionable salary.

Other benefits

There are a range of other benefits including a pension salary sacrifice scheme, subsidised Lifestyles gym membership, life assurance scheme, cycle to work scheme, enhanced parental leave pay and 24/7 Employee Assistance Programme.

How to Apply

Visit the careers page on our website <http://www.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/careers> to apply online.

The closing date for applications is midnight 26th June 2026

Proposed interview dates : w/c 6th July 2026

Please note that the information you provide in your application will be used only for the purpose of recruitment and selection and will be held in accordance with the Data Protection Act 2018.





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