

Headteacher – The Cathedral School of St Peter and St John

School: The Cathedral School of St Peter and St John R.C Primary School,
Salford, M3 6LU

Salary: Group 2 - L15-L21

Type: Permanent

Start Date: 1 September 2026

“Growing together within God’s loving family, we support, challenge, and inspire each other to become the best that we can be.”

Due to the forthcoming retirement of our current Headteacher, the Governors are seeking to appoint an inspirational and committed new Headteacher to lead our school into its next phase of development.

We are a **caring, friendly and successful Catholic primary school**, proud of our strong Catholic identity and the sense of belonging within our community. Our school is a place where every child is valued and nurtured to flourish academically, spiritually and personally. We are supported by a dedicated staff team, engaged families, a committed Governing Board and strong parish links.

This is an exciting opportunity for an **aspiring Headteacher or an existing leader ready for their first headship**, and we are committed to providing strong support, including through our Governing Board, Diocese and local networks.

We are looking for someone who:

- Is a **practising Catholic**, with a clear commitment to Catholic education and the ethos of the school
- Is an **inspirational and visionary leader**, with excellent communication and interpersonal skills
- Can positively engage with **staff, children, families, governors, the parish and wider community**
- Is a **role model** who will motivate, inspire and support staff to achieve their full potential
- Will **foster a culture of collaboration, inclusion and wellbeing**, building on existing strengths
- Has the drive to **support, challenge and inspire all pupils** to achieve the very best outcomes
- Can promote a **creative, engaging curriculum**, where curiosity, aspiration and resilience are developed
- Is committed to ensuring **safeguarding and pupil wellbeing** remain at the heart of all we do

About our school:

- A warm, inclusive and **values-driven Catholic community**
- Children who are happy, respectful and eager to learn
- **Dedicated and skilled staff** who are committed to providing a rich and diverse curriculum
- A strong culture of **collaboration, wellbeing and professional support**
- A **supportive and effective Governing Board** offering both challenge and encouragement
- Strong partnerships with the **Diocese, local schools and wider networks**

We can offer:

- The opportunity to lead a school with a **strong and caring ethos**
- A committed, experienced and enthusiastic staff team
- A highly supportive Governing Board and parish community
- Access to **excellent leadership support and development**, particularly for new Headteachers
- Opportunities for collaboration across **Diocesan and local networks**

We are proud of our school and the community we serve, and we are excited to welcome a Headteacher who will build on our strengths and lead us forward with energy, compassion and vision.

Visits to the school are warmly welcomed and encouraged, and will take place on 21st and 23rd April 2026. To arrange a visit, please telephone the school office on 0161 834 4150 or email thecathedralsch@st-peter-st-john.salford.sch.uk.

The school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people. All staff and volunteers are expected to share this commitment. The successful candidate will be subject to an enhanced DBS check and satisfactory references.

We look forward to receiving your application and the opportunity to welcome a new Headteacher who will help shape the next exciting chapter of our school.

Advert Details

Visits: 21st and 23rd April 2026

Closing date: 4th May 2026

Shortlisting: 8th May 2026

Interview dates: 22nd May 2026