

Lay Chaplaincy Team Member

We would like to invite applications for an exciting opportunity to serve our secondary school community (.....School). We are looking for a suitably experienced person to be a <u>volunteer</u> lay chaplain.

We are looking for a practising Christian with qualifications in or, proven experience in, education / working with a school community.

Role Specification (we are looking for people to):

- Help this role to develop and evolve
- > Develop a regular, consistent Christian presence in the schools
- Liaise with relevant school personnel appropriately
- Contribute creatively to and support the assembly/ worship programme in liaison with assembly co-ordinator, providing creative ways for young people to explore their spirituality and consider life's big questions.
- > Be available and present at break / lunch times
- > Work with the schools to develop an appropriate referral system
- > Mentor students who are referred by staff (with parents permission)
- > Offer a drop-in facility at fixed times in the week
- Be available for x days a week with the flexibility to be called in when needed
- Be open to staff requests for support
- Contribute to staff prayer times

Person Specification (we are looking for a person who is):

- > able to articulate and demonstrate a deep and prayerful Christian faith
- > a good communicator and listener
- both sensitive and creative
- > able to initiate and motivate
- organized, energetic and outgoing
- able to relate easily to staff, pupils, parents, governors and clergy
- willing to develop the skills needed to work in educational institutions
- able to work within the confidentiality boundaries of school policies

This position will require the volunteer to have an enhanced DBS clearance.

The volunteer will be accountable to and have the full support of (Church/ Deanery) and designated staff from the school (s).

To express an interest in this volunteer position and request an application form please contact

NB I am grateful to Rev Jim Findlay for permission to use this role/person specification

