

# **Position Description**

Position Title Classroom teacher – Fixed term – Part time

Organisation Catholic Education Sandhurst Limited (CES Ltd)

School St Mary's School

**Location** Rushworth

Enterprise Agreement and / or Catholic Education Multi-Enterprise Agreement 2022

**Award** 

Classification T1-1 – T2-6

**Remuneration** 31,520.40 - \$46757.60

FTE 0.4FTE

Status Fixed-Term Part-Time

Reports to Principal

# **Our Organisation**

Catholic Education Sandhurst Limited (CES Ltd) is committed to the mission of Catholic Education across the Diocese of Sandhurst. With a rich history dating back to 1853 the Diocese reaches from Central to Northeast Victoria. The organisation supports more than 3000 employees in 52 schools and 3 early childhood facilities. It also provides support to 4 secondary colleges owned and operated by Religious Institutes.

CES Ltd participates and cooperates in the work of the Victorian Catholic Education Authority (VCEA), which has key responsibilities for the allocation and distribution of government funding, facilitating cooperation across the four Victorian Dioceses, and in working and cooperating with government statutory authorities.

The Executive Director of Catholic Education Sandhurst is appointed by the Board of CES Ltd to support the administrative, organisational, and service matters to Catholic schools within the Diocese.

The Executive Director and all delegations via that position operate within the parameters of Canon Law and the Catholic Church structures and processes. CES Ltd is the employing authority for its schools and acknowledges and respects the role of Parish Priests within the Parish communities in which schools are located and supported.

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### **Our Vision**

The vision for CES Ltd is to provide, in partnership with our families and parishes, stimulating, enriching, liberating, sacramental and nurturing learning environments drawn from the Catholic tradition in each of the diocesan school communities.

At the heart of this vision is our commitment to the ongoing duty of care that we have for the safety, wellbeing and inclusion of all children and young people, a pursuit of excellence in all levels of learning and creating communities of welcome, hospitality and inclusion.

#### We believe:

- that the values of the Gospel are central to who we are, what we do, and how we act
- that we have a vital role in the mission of the Catholic Church to imagine and seek new horizons while respecting our Tradition
- that a strong sense of community is dependent on the quality of our collegial relationships
- that each person's potential is fostered through the dedicated ministry of Catholic Education
- in leadership encompassing vision, innovation, and empowerment.

### **Our Values**

CES Ltd Values underpin and reflect the behaviours we expect of our staff:

#### **Principles of Catholic Social Teaching**

The identity of the Sandhurst Catholic School reflects the principles of Catholic social teaching, grounded in the person of Jesus, and interpreted and enacted for the "common good" in response to the "signs of the times".

These principles require that the dignity and potential of each person be fully respected within a climate that is conducive to peace, security, and development. This must find expression in the relationships, structures, curricula, planning, processes, and care in the everyday life of the school.

### Respect

Respect for the dignity and potential of each person within a climate that is conducive to peace, security, and development. This must find expression in the relationships, structures, curricula, planning, processes, and care in the everyday life of the school.

### **Partnerships**

The Sandhurst Catholic Schools do not function in isolation. In attending to the religious dimension of education, the most fundamental partnerships are those with parents/guardians and with local Catholic faith communities. The school is part of the wider Church community.

#### **Faith**

The tasks of evangelisation, catechesis and religious education are shared by home, school and parish, with each having its own distinct contribution to make in a sense of genuine partnership.

# **School Summary**

St Mary's Catholic School is a community who walks in the footsteps of Jesus and works in partnership with families in the Josephite tradition, to develop and educate the whole child in a safe learning environment.

We believe in caring for the whole child, nurturing their academic, social and developmental growth through the embedding of evidence-based and research-backed teaching and learning practices and programs.

We are a beautiful small country school where community connections and engagement are strong elements of our culture. We have a myriad of opportunities for families to be on site in celebration of Masses, Liturgies and celebration of academic and sporting achievement. This is bolstered by a strong and active Parents and Friends committee.

Our vibrant staff are dedicated, welcoming and are passionate about providing the best opportunities for our engaged and respectful students.

## **Position Summary**

This position is fixed-term part-time 0.4FTE to work across classrooms in the school to allow teachers class focus time outside of Scheduled Class Time.

Classroom teachers have responsibility for the wellbeing of the whole child, both academically and emotionally with a focus on quality teaching and learning. The role will work collaboratively with colleagues to plan and deliver the curriculum in a stimulating and engaging manner while always keeping abreast of best practice and system requirements.

A classroom teacher is part of the St Mary's community and works in partnership with parents and families. The Classroom Teacher works to ensure their priorities focus on quality teaching and learning, and the wellbeing of students and colleagues. This position is expected to maintain a high level of diverse educational methods designed to educate students whilst always adhering to the Australian Standards of Teaching within a child safe environment.

Develop a stimulating learning environment by using a variety of styles and approaches to cater for individual learnings needs. Staff support the Catholic ethos, traditions, and practices, and always apply these to their work

# **Key Responsibilities**

# Contemporary Learning and teaching pedagogy

- Employ a variety of teaching strategies to effectively to implement the curriculum
- Give appropriate time to lesson planning and organisation
- Understand state and national course requirements
- Keep accurate records of student attendance
- Embrace the use of information and communications technologies to enhance learning

	Write formal academic reports that conform to report writing guidelines each semester
	Monitor the progress of each student and provide meaningful and regular feedback on their progress
	• Liaise with appropriate support staff in the implementation of the curriculum.
Pastoral Care and Child Safety	Be familiar with and comply with the school's child-safe policy and code of conduct, and any other policies or procedures relating to child safety
	Assist in the provision of a child-safe environment for students.
	Demonstrate duty of care to students in relation to their physical and mental wellbeing.
	Proactively monitor and support student wellbeing
	Exercise pastoral care in a manner which reflects school values
	Implement strategies that promote a healthy and positive learning environment
	Attend staff meetings and professional learning meetings as scheduled
	Attend all school assemblies
	Attend school liturgical celebrations
	Attend school organised activities as required
Curriculum	Embed the Magnify Sandhurst framework programs and practices
Development	Plan, develop, review and evaluate curriculum in your year-level
	Develop assessment instruments in a collegial manner where whole group testing takes place and in line with the school's assessment plan
	Create and evaluate online resources for the purposes of enriching the curriculum
	Attend Professional Learning Team meetings as scheduled
Professional Development	Have current knowledge of the curriculum and curriculum initiatives in your teaching areas – (Eg: Magnify Sandhurst)
	Commit to ongoing professional learning
	Be open to researching areas of interest relevant to directions provided in the school's strategic plan
	Participate in the staff appraisal process
General and Administrative	Contribute to a healthy and safe work environment for yourself and others and comply with all safe work policies and procedures
Duties	Maintain currency of first aid, mandatory reporting and anaphylaxis training
	Demonstrate duty of care to students in relation to their physical and mental wellbeing
	Attend all relevant school meetings and after school
	services/assemblies, sporting events, mass, community and faith days as well as professional learning opportunities
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Carry out all other duties that are within the limits of the skill, ability, competence, and training of the employee, and aligned with the requirements of the role as may be directed from time to time.

# **Mandatory Responsibilities and Requirements**

### **Compliance with CES Ltd Policies and Procedures**

All CES Ltd policies and procedures are available in either CompliSpace and/or the Staff Portal.
 It is expected that all employees of CES Ltd must ensure that they comply with policies, procedures and standard ways of work practices when carrying out their work. Any breaches in compliance may result in disciplinary action.

### **Compliance with Occupational Health and Safety**

- All CES Ltd employees have a responsibility to take reasonable care of their own health and safety along with the safety of others. It is expected that all employees comply with policies, safe work procedures, instructions, and rules of CES Ltd's OH&S Management System.
- All employees must report any hazards or any other health, safety, or wellbeing issues to their team leader/principal. There is also an expectation that employees will actively eliminate hazards, follow instructions, and participate in training and consultation processes.
- All employees who have responsibility to supervise /lead others have additional responsibilities including ensuring that employees have clearly defined safety roles and responsibilities, addressing OH&S issues immediately, be aware of tasks being undertaken by employees and ensure that they have the skills required to perform tasks safely, ensuring training is provided to address any knowledge or skills gaps for performing work safely, ensuring clear policies and procedures are implemented as well as holding regular OH&S meetings with employees and managing non-compliance.
- Depending on the role some employees will be required to provide evidence of successful completion of First Aid Certificate inclusive of Anaphylaxis training prior to commencing employment with CES Ltd.

#### **Compliance with Child Safety Legislation**

• CES Ltd is committed to creating and maintaining a child safe school environment in which all students feel safe and are safe. They do this by promoting the safety, wellbeing, and inclusion of all children. All CES Ltd employees have a responsibility to comply with current Child Safety legislation. This includes keeping up to date with relevant mandatory reporting requirements and maintaining a valid working with children check or VIT registration. CES Ltd are committed to ensuring the safety of children in our care, as such rigorous reference and background checks are conducted at the pre-employment stage. All staff are also expected to comply with the Child Safety Code of Conduct as amended or varied from time to time.

# **Key Selection Criteria**

Essential	Qualifications and Registrations	<ul> <li>Teaching qualifications</li> <li>Current Victorian Institute of Teaching (VIT) registration</li> <li>Accreditation to teach in a Catholic school (or be working towards such accreditation)</li> </ul>
	Knowledge and Experience	Have an in-depth understanding of contemporary learning and teaching
		Employ a variety of teaching strategies to effectively implement the curriculum
		Give appropriate time to lesson planning and organisation
		Understand state and national curriculum requirements
		Embrace the use of information and communications technologies to enhance learning
		Fulfil all reporting requirements
		Monitor the progress of each student and provide meaningful and regular feedback on their progress
	Commitment to Catholic Education	Accreditation to teach in a Catholic school (or be working towards such accreditation.
	Commitment to Child Safety	As a staff member of the school, you are subject to and expected to comply with the Child Safety Code of Conduct and the Child Protection and Safety Policy as amended or varied from time to time
		Be familiar with and comply with the school's child-safe policy and code of conduct, and any other policies or procedures relating to child safety
		Assist in the provision of a child-safe environment for students.
		Demonstrate duty of care to students in relation to their physical and mental wellbeing.
		Proactively monitor and support student wellbeing
		Exercise pastoral care in a manner which reflects school values

	Implement strategies which promote a healthy and positive learning environment
Skills and Attributes	<ul> <li>Ability to work collaboratively as part of a team</li> <li>Creative in their approach to learning and teaching</li> <li>Have good oral and written communication skills, including ability to communicate with children, parents and the school community</li> <li>Effective learning and teaching skills, including management of composite classes/mixed ability classes and the an understanding of differentiation</li> <li>Ability to interpret data and use this information to inform teaching</li> <li>Ability to demonstrate an understanding of appropriate behaviours when engaging with children</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Demonstrated capacity and enthusiasm to participate in a range of school activities, e.g. school</li> <li>A willingness to be part of a team and work collaboratively and effectively with all members of the school community</li> </ul>