

The Royal and Prior Comprehensive School

Raphoe, Co. Donegal

Under the Patronage of the Donegal Protestant Board of Education

Appointment of the following positions which may arise in the school year 2017-18:

- 1) 22 Hours Mathematics (to Leaving Certificate Level)
- 2) 4 Hours 20 Minutes Learning Resource and History (to Junior Certificate)

The School

The Royal and Prior Comprehensive School opened in September 1971 the result of an amalgamation between two of the county's oldest secondary schools: the Royal School Raphoe and the Prior Endowed School, Lifford. The Royal School was established by charter of King James I in 1608 as part of the Ulster Royal Schools and the Prior School was founded in 1880 by the generosity of Miss Eleanor Prior.

The Royal and Prior Comprehensive School is a co-educational school for 12 to 18 years olds. There are 590 pupils in the school 33 of whom are boarders. All the students follow the Junior Certificate curriculum in their first 3 years and the Leaving Certificate Curriculum in their final 2 years. There is an optional Transition Year programme which on average involves 60% of the year group. In total there are 70 members of staff involved in all aspects of the life of the school from the office to the classroom to the canteen.

The school occupies a well maintained 30 acre site on the Derry Road just outside the town of Raphoe. The Royal School House, located behind St Eunan's Cathedral in the town, is used as accommodation for the boarders. The Royal School House is an eighteenth century three storey building that meets the needs of the boarders and has amongst other facilities: a dining room, dormitories, prep room and common room.

The Appointment and Notes for Applicants

We are seeking suitably qualified and motivated members of staff. An ability to assist with the school's co-curricular activities will be deemed advantageous.

In applying all applicants acknowledge that in connection with this application you authorise all corporations, companies, credit agencies, education institutions,

persons, law enforcement agencies and former employers to release information they may have about you to the person or company to which this application has been made and you release them from any liability and responsibility for doing so.

The Board of Management will not acknowledge the receipt of completed application forms. It will notify each applicant of the success or not of their application following the interview process.

The school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of pupils. Applicants must be aware that the appointment will be made in line with the framework laid out in the *Child Protection Procedures for Primary and Post Primary Schools, Children First – National Guidelines for the Protection and Welfare of Children 2011* and Circular 0031/2016 regarding the vetting and recruitment of teachers.

Applications

Applications can only be made through the completion of an application form (which are available on the school's website) containing **three** persons of whom reference might be made (one of whom must be the candidate's current or most recent employer), a letter of application and their **Teaching Council Registration Certificate clearly stating subjects recognised to teach** should be sent by post or delivered by hand to: The Secretary of the Board of Management, The Royal and Prior Comprehensive School, Raphoe, Lifford, Co. Donegal, F93 T298, reaching them no later than **4:30 pm on Friday 22nd September 2017**. We hope to draw up a short-list as per Department of Education and Skills criteria for appointments soon after the closing date and have interviews during the week beginning 25th September 2017.

All appointments will be provisional upon satisfactory verification of educational qualifications, references, confirmation of medical fitness from the Occupational Health Service, and receipt of vetting disclosures received by the Teaching Council from the National Vetting Bureau.

All appointments are subject to approval from the Department of Education and Skills and the Director of the Teacher Redeployment Scheme.