



Dear prospective applicant

Thank you for your interest in the classroom teaching position we have available at St Mark's. The position is a fixed term position commencing on Monday 24th May 2021 until the end of Term One 2022, Thursday 14th April 2022. The position is teaching one of our two Year 1 classes replacing a teacher on parenting leave.

St Mark's Lutheran School was established in 1982 by the St Mark's Lutheran Church in Mount Barker to provide quality Christian education to our community. From small beginnings we have grown to a current enrolment of 310 students. We are community minded and are seeking a passionate educator who has students front and centre, is a learner and collaborator.

Learning at St Mark's is framed by our 6 learning principles which have been collaboratively developed by staff. At St Mark's:

1. Learning conceptually through inquiry, focussing on critical and creative thinking, promotes deep understanding, connections and transference of knowledge.
2. Learning in an environment that is safe, respectful and nurturing promotes confidence, positive risk taking and improved learning outcomes.
3. Learning opportunities that cater for the different learning styles and abilities of students enhance progress towards excellence for all students.
4. Learning that is developed from regular assessment and feedback to learners provides challenge and engagement for all students.
5. Learning that connects with student's backgrounds, perspectives and interests promote self-motivation and authentic engagement.
6. Learning that builds essential capabilities while embedding technology as a tool for learning equips students to be able to redefine their understandings, respond to issues and be life-long learners.

The successful applicant will demonstrate the ability to maintain the standards of teaching and learning in our school, reflecting our learning principles, and be able to make a positive contribution as a collaborator and member of our staff team. Quality teaching at St Mark's aligns with the three domains of *Professional knowledge*, *Professional practice* and *Professional engagement* as described in the AITSL teaching standards.

Applicants are invited to submit:

- A covering letter outlining your reasons for applying for this position.
- A statement **clearly addressing your ability to meet the selection criteria below.**
- A current CV listing two professional and one pastoral referee.

Selection Criteria:

1. Demonstrated ability to actively and personally engage with and support the ethos of a Lutheran School.
2. Demonstrated ability to develop quality relationships with students while maintaining a positive, focussed learning environment.
3. An understanding of the diverse needs of students and demonstrated skills in meeting these needs in the context of the classroom and in pastoral care.

4. Demonstrated levels of flexibility, initiative, perseverance and resourcefulness necessary to contribute to a professional learning community which values collaboration.
5. Demonstrated capacity to reflect critically upon their professional practice.

Educational and Vocational Qualifications:

The successful applicant will:

- Be currently registered by the SA Teachers Registration Board of South Australia as a teacher;
- Hold a current Basic First Aid certificate; and
- Have qualifications or experience commensurate with the role requirements in providing learning and wellbeing appropriate to junior primary students.

Applications should be received no later than 10:00am on Thursday, 25th March 2021 and be addressed or emailed to:

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