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# CARPENTER/JOINER



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# HEADMASTER'S INTRODUCTION

Welcome to Ratcliffe College.

I am delighted that you are considering applying for a role at our wonderful school. First and foremost, Ratcliffe College is a fantastic place to work. We are blessed with a beautiful physical environment set in almost 200 acres of rolling Leicestershire countryside. Our staff, teaching and non-teaching, work in harness, daily, to provide a safe, secure, and nurturing environment for the children and young people to enjoy. Our collegiality is built on the foundations of the College's Catholic faith, which welcomes everyone with the same universality of warmth and respect, embracing difference and cultivating an authentic community which values everyone equally.

As a Catholic School with a proud Rosminian heritage which has endured since our Foundation in 1847, our aim is to help young people to achieve their greatest potential, guide their intellectual growth, nurture their God-given talents, and inspire them to live in service to others. Together, we aim to develop honest, confident, responsible, and compassionate members of society, based on the educational values of Blessed Antonio Rosmini, inspired by our school motto, Legis Plenitudo Charitas' or Love is the fulfilment of the Law.

At Ratcliffe College, Christ is very much at the centre of all that we do. So, if our Mission resonates, and you believe you can be happy and thrive here, I encourage you to apply and join our team of staff as we fulfil our Mission.

I wish you all the very best of luck with your application.

Yours sincerely,

Kind regards,

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Mr J. P. Reddin, Headmaster







# our Mission Statement

# "Learning and Growing in the Light of the Gospel."

## With Christ at the centre of our learning we:

- Help young people to achieve their greatest potential.
- Guide their intellectual growth, nurture their God-given talents, and inspire them to live in service to others.
- Aim to develop honest, confident, responsible and compassionate members of society, based on the educational values of Blessed Antonio Rosmini.

## **Our core Rosminian values:**

1. Legis Plenitudo Charitas: Love is the Fulfilment of the Law.

Our community recognises each individual as a unique part of God's creation, nurtures in each a sense of dignity and self-worth, and fosters supportive and caring relationships.

2. Rosminian Education pursues the perfection of both human nature and the human person.

Our students' intellect and talents are formed by a broad and balanced curriculum, responsive to and supportive of students' needs and aspirations. Our students' moral integrity is developed through the teaching, celebration and the living of Christian faith.

3. Intellectual integrity leads us to the Truth.

God is the source of all truth. Our staff are encouraged to foster intellectual curiosity, honesty and achievement in their students and within themselves.

## **OUR VISION**

To be a leading independent day and boarding school, which is financially secure.



SCAN THE CODE 3-YEAR STRATEGY DEVELOPMENT PLAN 2025-2028.

# ABOUT RATCLIFFE COLLEGE

Ratcliffe College is an Outstanding Roman Catholic, co-educational, day and boarding school for students aged between 3 and 18 years, founded in 1847 by the Institute of Charity (known as the Rosminians).

Whilst Ratcliffe operates as a Catholic school, children are welcomed from other denominations and faiths whose parents feel they can share in, and benefit from, the ethos and environment of the College. The majority of students at Ratcliffe are day students drawn from the local catchment area of Leicestershire, Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire.

## The Senior Leadership Team comprises:

- Headmaster
   Mr J Reddin, BSc, MSc, NPQH
- Senior Deputy Head Mr K Ryce, BA, MSc
- Deputy Head Pastoral Mr J Rainer, BA, MA
- Director of Safeguarding Mr J Masterton
- Assistant Head Academic Ms J Davis, BA, MSc
- Assistant Head, Head of Sixth Form Mr B Harrison, BA
- Head of Preparatory School Mrs S Minford, BA, MA
- Deputy Head of Preparatory School Mrs M Markham, BMus
- Director of Finance and Operations Mr C Bellamy, HND

## **Ratcliffe College Preparatory School**

Ratcliffe College Preparatory School is a thriving and nurturing environment where children aged 3 to 11 are encouraged to develop a lifelong love of learning. As part of the wider Ratcliffe College community, the Prep School benefits from outstanding facilities, a beautiful campus setting, and access to specialist teaching, ensuring a seamless educational journey from Early Years through to Senior School.

Ratcliffe College Preparatory School provides a rich, well-rounded educational experience that nurtures each child's unique talents and potential. Our dedicated staff are committed to delivering a broad, balanced, and ambitious curriculum that supports academic excellence while nurturing creativity, confidence, and character. Alongside core subjects, pupils enjoy a wide range of specialist-led lessons including Music, French, Spanish, Latin, Drama, Physical Education and Games.

Small class sizes and a strong sense of community allow us to truly know each child and support their individual strengths and needs.

An extensive co-curricular programme, regular trips, and enrichment opportunities further enhance pupils' experiences, helping to develop well-rounded individuals prepared for the next stage of their education. The Preparatory School is an exciting and rewarding place to work. Staff are valued members of a collaborative and forward-thinking team, playing an active role in shaping the character and culture of the school.

## **Boarding Community**

Ratcliffe benefits from a vibrant, warm and welcoming boarding community that has long been part of the School's history. All students are encouraged to participate in boarding during their years at school – as full, weekly, part-time or occasional boarders. Its close-knit community of friends and teachers' is a supportive environment where our young people thrive.

Our boarding community comprises students from both the UK and overseas, including those who join through our partnership with the Academy at Leicester City Football Club.

The College also offers several short-term international boarding programmes throughout the year, including 3–4 immersion taster experiences and an annual International Summer School, all delivered by Ratcliffe staff.

Boarders benefit from a strong pastoral framework. Each student is supported by a Form Tutor who monitors their academic progress and personal development, alongside the care and guidance provided by a dedicated and experienced boarding team.





# ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

Ratcliffe students enjoy an excellent all-round balanced education, underpinned by the College's core Rosminian Catholic ethos.

While students at Ratcliffe have a broad range of ability, academic success is strongly encouraged, valued and recognised; indeed, the greatly improved academic standards in recent years have proved popular both with parents and prospective parents, as reflected in the numbers of students applying to join the College.

Ratcliffe College has repeatedly ranked in the top 10% nationally for value added results at A Level.

A Level results achieved in 2025:

- 45% of A Level grades A\*/A
- 71% grade B or above.
- Ten percent of students achieved A\*/A\*/A
  or better.
- One in four students achieved A Level or BTEC grades equivalent to A/A/A or higher.

Over 90% of students typically achieve their first choice pathway for life after School. This includes students taking up places at Oxford, Cambridge, and other highly selective Russell Group universities; for Medicine, Dentistry and Veterinary Science; and at universities abroad.

Ratcliffe College has been judged 'Excellent' in all areas (ISI Inspection, 2022).

Read the full Inspection Report <u>here.</u> 184



# THE BENEFITS OF WORKING AT RATCLIFFE COLLEGE



SCAN THE CODE VIRTUAL CAMPUS TOUR.



Free lunch and refreshments



Free parking on-site



TPS or Defined Contributions
Pension Scheme



Professional Developmental opportunities



## Staff Wellbeing

- Staff Wellbeing Committee
- Free staff social events
- Access to on-site Medical Care
- Ratcliffe College Community Committee
- Access to the School Counsellor
- Free health line for staff and their families



## Sport and Leisure

- Free use of the on-site gym (at specified times)
- Leicestershire County Cricket Club family tickets (limited)



## VACANCY

## CARPENTER / JOINER

We are recruiting for a skilled Carpenter/Joiner to maintain all joinery within the buildings owned by Ratcliffe College, including residential properties, to a high standard, conforming to all aspects of Health and Safety regulations, and to assist with general site maintenance.

The candidate will have an NVQ Level 3 / City & Guilds or equivalent in Joinery/Carpentry or time served apprenticeship or 5 years' experience as a Joiner/Carpenter. You will also need to have experience of working in a commercial building.

We are committed to safer recruitment, safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expect all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. The successful applicant will be required to undergo an Enhanced Disclosure from the Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) and an open-source check will also be undertaken.

The School reserves the right to interview ahead of the closing date, early application is therefore encouraged.

## **Salary and Working Hours**

Full time time: 37.5 hours per week

Monday to Friday - 8.00am to 4.30pm

Salary (actual): £27,127 pa (Band 5, point 20) Annual Leave: 20 days pa plus bank holidays plus school closure days between Christmas and New

Year.



# JOB DESCRIPTION

JOB TITLE Carpenter/Joiner

HOURS OF WORK: Full time, 37.5 hours per week

REPORTS DIRECTLY TO: Maintenance Manager

## OTHER REGULAR RELATIONSHIPS:

The Maintenance Team
RCC Diary Team
Teaching Staff
Support Staff

JOB PURPOSE: To maintain all joinery within the buildings owned by Ratcliffe College, including residential properties, to a high standard, conforming to all aspects of Health and Safety regulations, and to assist with general site maintenance.

#### MAIN RESPONSIBILITIES

- To maintain all woodwork as directed and in accordance with the schools preventative maintenance plan.
- To repair and replace any existing woodwork to existing or new build as directed.
- To manufacture and install new doors (incl fire doors), door furniture, frames, windows, shelving, etc. within the College and associated properties as directed.
- To measure, cost and order materials for works as directed.
- To glaze windows as directed.
- To assist with any other maintenance tasks around the campus as required.
- To operate a smart device for emails and CAFM apps/system.
- To participate as a team player within the Maintenance Department team.
- To be responsible for the upkeep of stock and for the cleanliness of the workshop.

### GENERAL

- To attend any meetings as may be necessary from time to time.
- To undertake any training either for self-development or mandatory training (for example, Manual Handling Training) as directed by the Maintenance Manager or Estates Manager.
- To be responsible for the safe and proper completion of tasks ensuring that all Health and Safety and Environmental Health Regulations are fully observed and in particular that the requirement of "due diligence" is understood and complied with at all times.
- To work according to the Policies and Procedures of Ratcliffe College.
- To undertake any other duties that may be necessary from time to time to ensure the efficient running of the School, including fire evacuation and assist in fire alarm testing.
- To assist with any other duties to ensure the smooth running of the School, this will include furniture moving, for example setting up exam tables and chairs etc.

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# PERSON SPECIFICATION

	Essential	Desirable
Qualifications	Full UK driving licence	
	NVQ Level 3 / City & Guilds or equivalent in Joinery/Carpentry or time served apprenticeship or 5 years' experience as a Joiner/Carpenter	
Knowledge & Experience	Experience of working in a commercial building	Experience of working in a School/College
	Hands-on experience in working with carpentry materials	Experience of working in a Grade II listed property
	Excellent understanding of carpentry techniques and methods of installation and construction	
Skills	Good understanding of basic mathematics	
	Ability to read technical documents and drawings	
	Excellent interpersonal and communication skills	Good technical skills
	Ability to prioritise	
	Have neat and tidy working methods	
	Deliver projects within a specified timeline	
	Ability to work to a high standard	Ability to carry out day-to-day general maintenance, eg minor plumbing.
	Good organisational skills	
Personal Qualities	Commitment to the ethos and aims of the School	
	Initiative and enthusiasm	
	Dedication and commitment	
	Ability to maintain appropriate relationships with students and staff	
	Confidence	
	Be a team player	
	Have a flexible approach	

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# HOW TO APPLY



# COMPLETE AN ONLINE APPLICATION FORM

Visit our vacancies page.

Please follow the link above to visit the main vacancies page on our school website. Search for the vacancy you wish to apply for, complete the online application form in full and submit it to us before the closing date.



If you do not hear anything further within two weeks of the closing date, please assume that you have not been successful on this occasion.

Ratcliffe College reserves the right to interview and appoint ahead of the closing date.



# RATCLIFFE TERMS

#### **Child Protection**

Ratcliffe College is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff to share this commitment. This role is exempt from the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974, and applicants are required to declare all convictions and cautions (including those which are "spent" unless they are "protected" under the DBS filtering rules), in order to assess their suitability to work with children.

For further information, please see the <u>Recruitment, Selection and Disclosures Policy</u> and <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/new-guidance-on-the-rehabilitation-of-offenders-act-1974">https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/new-guidance-on-the-rehabilitation-of-offenders-act-1974</a>

The College is also registered for the processing of personal data in accordance with the Data Protection Act 1998. Such checks are required in accordance with the Recruitment, Selection and Disclosures policy and the Data Protection policy. Copies of these policies may be obtained from the Director of Finance and Operations upon request.

## The appointment is subject to satisfactory:

- References, of which one must be from a current or most recent employer if not currently in employment
- Disclosure and Barring Service check (including children's barred list check if appropriate)
- Open source check
- Proof of identity
- Right to work check
- Qualifications check
- Health screening







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