SCHOOL CHAPLAIN - ST JOHN’S LUTHERAN PRIMARY SCHOOL, PORTLAND

Under the Australian Government’s ‘National School Chaplaincy and Student Welfare Programme’, St John’s Lutheran School is seeking to employ a suitable candidate to fulfil the role of School Chaplain. The successful applicant will be replacing a foundation member of staff, who commenced at the school in 1980. Under the new terms and conditions of the National Chaplaincy Program, LESER (Lutheran Education South Eastern Region) acting under the auspices of the funding recipient (LCA Vic/Tas District) will manage the employment process. The position however will be deployed at St John’s Lutheran School, Portland.

Key Duties:
The successful applicant will act as a reference point for students, staff and other members of the St John’s Community on values, human relationships, well-being and spiritual issues.

In doing this the School Chaplain will:

- Assist with the dealing of grief, loss and family break downs. Coordinate practical assistance for families in need (eg. provision of meals).
- Assist staff to work through bullying and harassment issues.
- Assist staff with initial stages in the behaviour management process.
- Support the school in its roll out of the Kids Matter program.
- Assist in developing and maintaining relationships between peers through the training of students as peer mediators.
- Be a member of a team that deals with critical incidents.
- Provide encouragement and support for an individual’s spiritual life.
- Coordinate St John’s playgroup and Parent Community Room.
- Build a support network that can be used for referral for issues that are outside of areas of expertise.
- Maintain links with key community organisations that deal with child and family health.
- Be involved in the school’s worship program.
- Be a visible presence on campus and provide positive support to staff, students and families.
- Other duties that may evolve from this position as circumstances arise.
- Encouraging relationships between Portland-Heywood Lutheran Congregation and Bayview College.
- Be a consultant to the Principal and serve on the wider school leadership team.
- Provide classroom instruction where necessary.

Employment conditions:

- The position is classified under the Lutheran Enterprise Agreements as a Lutheran School Officer, Level 3.
- This position is a two year part-time position.
- This position is for 14 hours a week.
- The position will commence at the beginning of term 3 in 2013.
- The Portland-Heywood Lutheran congregation is currently advertising for a Youth Worker. There may be an opportunity to combine these two positions.

Youth Worker – Portland-Heywood Parish, Vic – 16-18hrs/wk

For further details go to: http://www.lca.org.au/employment-opportunities.html

Applications with the names of three referees (one pastoral) are to be submitted by email to the Assistant Director, through the LESER Office Administrator: jayne.hogan@leser.lutheran.edu.au

The Assistant Director, Lutheran Education South East Region, 755 Station Street, Box Hill Vic 3128 Ph (03) 9236 1250

Specific enquiries about the day-to-day nature of the position can be made by phoning the Principal, Mick Emmett on (03) 5523 3833 or via email on memmett@stjohnsportland.vic.edu.au.

CLOSING DATE FOR APPLICATIONS: 4.00pm Friday 7th June 2013

Please visit teachers.on.net http://www.teachers.on.net/view/219586/?ref=c2VhcmNoJTVVCb2JqZWN0LmJ2Z2vbiU1RDoxNSZzZWFyY2gjNUJ2YWNhbmnS5LmxdmVsJTVVEPSzZWtWFyY2gjNUJ2YWNhbmnS5LmNlYmpI3QIINUQ9JmNyYXJjaCU1QnZhiY2FuY3kuam9ix3R5cGUINUQ9JmtleXdvcmQ9JmFidGlvbj1zZWFyY2g