



The Queen Katherine
School (QKS)

**RECRUITMENT
PACK**

WELCOME

Welcome to Cumbria Education Trust (CET).

The Trust is responsible for the education of more than 6,000 young people across ten primary schools, four secondary schools and our West Coast Sixth Form. Our vision is to enable our young people to reach their potential by providing an innovative and inspiring learning experience.

We believe in raising the aspirations of our children and helping them aim higher. We offer a broad and balanced curriculum that is enriched by many wonderful and exciting opportunities. 'Be the best you can be' is a motto shared throughout our schools, as are the key characteristics of Respect, Responsibility and Resilience.

I firmly believe that schools are stronger when they work together and sharing best practice across our primaries and secondaries is part of everyday life. It is also a priority to support teachers with excellent professional development opportunities, which in turn benefits all our children.

Our schools are a vital cog in their local communities and we are fortunate to count on strong support from families and stakeholders in each area.

I hope that what you read about CET encourages you to find out more and consider a career within our Trust.



Lorraine Hughes,
Chief Executive



OUR VISION

To enable every young person to reach their potential and achieve the success they deserve by providing an innovative and inspiring learning experience

OUR VALUES

Respect



To be tolerant and understanding of ourselves, others and society

Responsibility



To be self-motivated to drive learning and be good citizens

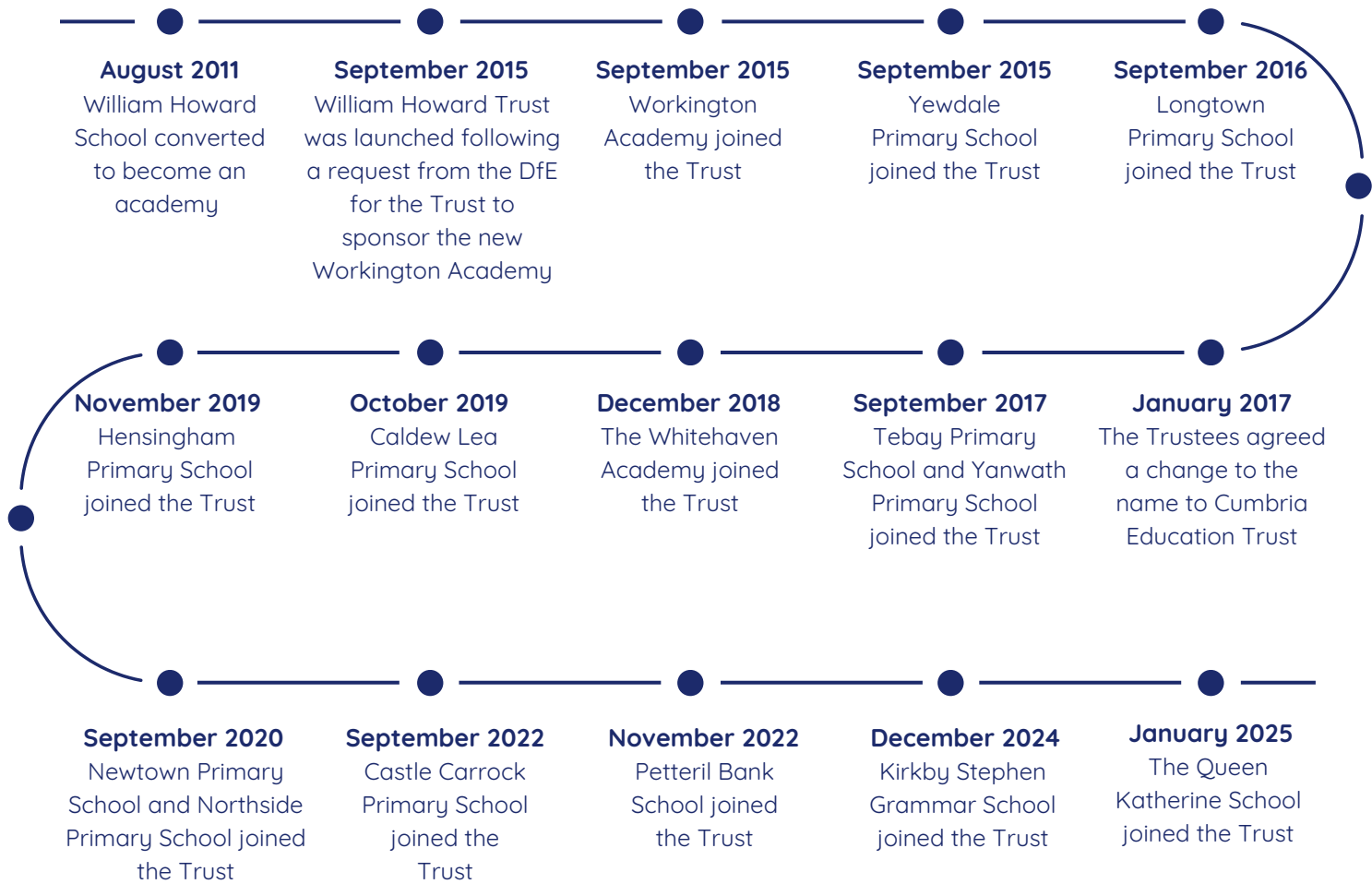
Resilience



To understand and embrace challenge for personal growth



TIMELINE OF OUR SCHOOLS JOINING THE TRUST





ABOUT THE QUEEN KATHERINE SCHOOL

Are you committed to kick-starting social mobility? Do you want to work in a vibrant, aspirational and caring community? Then you will find what you are looking for at The Queen Katherine School.

The Queen Katherine School is an 11-18 academy with 9,000 students on roll. We have a constant focus on improving the quality of the education we deliver and time is given each week to developing Learning and Teaching across the school. Great emphasis is also placed on the community element of school life and this can be seen throughout the school in our 'Proud to Belong' ethos.

The Queen Katherine School enjoys a great location in Kendal, Cumbria. Kendal is known as the gateway to the Lake District, six miles from junction 36 of the M6 motorway and only a few miles from the sea. Kendal is especially well placed to cater for walking, mountain biking, canoeing, climbing and a host of other outdoor pursuits. The scenic surroundings, low crime rate and vibrant community activities add to Kendal's appeal.

The school is committed to safeguarding the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. The successful candidate will be required to undertake an enhanced disclosure via the Disclosure & Barring Services (DBS).



Headteacher - Mr Jon Hayes

Age Range - 11 to 18

Town - Kendal

Joined CET - 2025

Ofsted Rating - Good (2022)

STAFF BENEFITS

CET strives to be recognised as an employer of choice. We want to attract high quality staff for our schools and in return offer a 'people first' approach, so that staff feel part of a community. We want staff to be confident to both support and challenge one another regardless of position or seniority, feel valued and able to contribute to the development of CET.

We also recognise the need to reward effort and good results as our aim is year-on-year improvement by schools.

There are well developed staff progression routes. We support and develop our staff and give individuals every opportunity to develop and grow with us. There is a commitment to high-quality Continuous Professional Development programmes. These are geared to maximising job satisfaction and significantly increasing expertise, confidence and skills.



PROFESSIONAL
DEVELOPMENT



RETAIL
DISCOUNTS



COMPETITIVE
ANNUAL LEAVE



FREE PARKING
ON SITE



FLEXIBLE AND FAMILY
FRIENDLY POLICIES



PENSION
SCHEME



CYCLE TO
WORK SCHEME



FREE WILL
WRITING SERVICE

Staff can work across our family of schools, enabling our academies to benefit from wider expertise and to offer individuals fresh opportunities. Quality of life outside work significantly shapes the way in which people perform, so the need to achieve a healthy work/life balance is an important aspect of our commitment to staff.

All of us are responsible for promoting the trust values of Respect, Responsibility and Resilience.

...BUT DON'T JUST LISTEN TO US

"You are part of a wider community and there's lots of opportunities to develop own practise and to help others develop."

"You are so well supported and everyone always has their door open"

"I would quite simply say, what are you waiting for?"

"I have been able to work across two of the Trust's secondary schools, undertaking key roles within each of the organisations. The CEO and Heads have been amazing at providing roles that allow me to feel valued and part of the wider organisation."



APPLICATION PROCESS

1

All of CET's vacancies are managed through My New Term. Our adverts appear on a number of platforms, such as CET's website, individual school webpages, My New Term, TES, the Cumberland Council Vacancies page and our social media.

2

Each advertisement will lead you to the My New Term platform. This is where you will complete your application. Registration is free and the online application form is simple, intuitive and verified as fully KCSIE and GDPR compliant.

3

Once you have registered, you will be able to track the status of your application, save any vacancies of interest, receive automated reminders and accept or decline interviews, should you be successful.

4

Should you have any queries regarding a specific post or your application, contact details are displayed at the bottom of each My New Term advert.

5

Don't see any suitable vacancies at the moment? We encourage you to join our Talent Pool, which you will find on My New Term.

Applicants for all posts must be willing to undergo safeguarding screening appropriate to the post.

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