

Part-time Christian Schools' Worker & Church Youth Worker

Reach

Our vision is to see pupils and staff flourish in school and have the opportunity to explore Christianity through the provision of pastoral care and curriculum support for RE, PSHE and RSE in partnership with local churches.

Tyndale

To experience the good news of Jesus in our local communities and globally as we grow into healthy disciples.

Role: To join the Reach team in developing the work of sharing the Gospel in secondary schools, plus some Year 6 work, in the Greater Reading area. Additionally, with 12 hours of secondment to develop the youth work at Tyndale Baptist Church.

Hours:

- Term-time only
- 24 hours per week
 - o 12 hours for Reach in schools mainly during school hours
 - o 12 hours for Tyndale's youthwork, 8 hours during the week and 4 hours on Sundays
- Hours are flexible and must be agreed with the Ministry Director and Tyndale Pastor.

Fixed-term contract for one year with a view to offering a permanent position if funding allows.

Salary: £14,400 per annum (£31,200 FTE)

We also offer: Scripture Union & Baptist Union training, a pension

Accountability:

- To the Ministry Director of Reach (Reading Schools' Christian Work Trust).
- To the Pastor of Tyndale Baptist Church

Workplace:

Reach's office is in the Tyndale Baptist Church building, so the person employed will work out of one location.

Job Description

Reach role: to serve in local schools in the ways listed below, and to develop Reach's work with schools and churches.

- Supporting current Christian Unions, and helping to establish new ones, nurturing Christian pupils and providing a safe space they can bring their friends to discuss faith.
- Teaching the Christianity element of the RE curriculum and providing classroom support in RE, PSHE and Relationship and Sex Education lessons, and providing pastoral support for students and staff, as appropriate
- Working with people from churches and Christian organisations across the Greater Reading area to develop teams to support their local schools.

Tyndale role:

- Building relationships in the context of a multiple ethnic group congregation
- Developing a group for the young people of Tyndale on a Sunday morning
- Connecting with the young people of Tyndale during the week in the hope of starting a mid-week group

We advise you visit the church in advance.

Professional Responsibilities:

- The person appointed will be expected to adhere to the Reach and Tyndale Statements of Faith (both based on the Evangelical Alliance Statement of Faith) and to the requirements of the staff handbooks
- The person appointed will need to have a full clean driving licence and a car
- Enhanced DBS checks will need to be obtained, and full safeguarding training will be given

Reach (Reading Schools' Christian Work Trust) holds registered Charity No: 1084101

Address: 2-4 Cressingham Road, READING RG2 7JE

Trustees: Peter Cowling, Mike Gomm, Stuart Jarvis, Beth Munday, John Omole, Janet Shury

Reach is a Local Mission Partner with

Person Specification

Qualifications

Educated to A-level or equivalent	Essential
Educated to Degree level or equivalent	Non-essential
PGCE, Youthwork qualifications	Desirable

Experience

Working with young people delivering Christian content and activities	Essential
Serving/working/volunteering in a church setting	Essential
Working in secondary schools	Desirable

Skills & Knowledge

Working with groups of young people	Essential
Understanding of the Bible and Christian practice	Essential
Abilities with IT, including Microsoft Office suite	Essential
Secondary school lesson and youth session planning	Essential
Youth Mentoring	Desirable
Public Speaking	Desirable
Understanding of how to develop youth leadership	Desirable

Faith

This post has a Genuine Occupational Requirement that the successful applicant be a practising Christian in line with The Equality Act 2010, Sch 9, para 3.

Practising Christian able to sign Reach and Tyndale's Statements of Faith	Essential
Active member of your local church	Essential
Awareness of different Christian denominations and able to work alongside all believers	Essential
A desire/passion to see young people hear the good news of the Christian message	Essential
Sensitivity to issues regarding the Christian faith and secular or inter-faith environments	Essential

Closing date for applications: Friday 9th May 2025