



Headlands CE (C) Junior, Infant & Nursery School
Liversedge, West Yorkshire

Welcome Letter from Craig Looker, Chair of Governors

Dear Applicant

I am delighted that you are interested in applying for the vacant Headteacher post at Headlands Church of England Junior, Infant and Nursery School. My fellow Governors and I are proud of our school, all of our hard-working staff and, above all, our children and we look forward to introducing you to our community.

Headlands is a large primary school located in the heart of West Yorkshire with over 430 children on the roll. It offers an interesting and exciting challenge to any potential candidate. Our current Headteacher has led the school for fourteen years, and during that time has achieved a great deal in terms of the quality and consistency of teaching and learning and the ethos of the school. We are excited for a new Headteacher to build on this success and develop the school further.

As a former pupil at the school, it holds a special place in my heart and I am delighted to be the Chair of Governors. The Governing Body and I are passionate about making our school the best possible place for all the children and staff. As Governors we offer a wide range of skills and a united vision. We are dedicated to creating a warm, supportive and welcoming school for developing confident, polite and well-rounded children, with great teaching and learning.

If you are successful in your application you will find a school with a dedicated staff and an environment which is often commented on by visitors as being calm and welcoming. You will also recognise the great potential of the school to achieve even more, both in academic terms and in the all-round development of the children.

We are looking forward to welcoming a new Headteacher whose strong and supportive leadership will inspire staff and provide both the encouragement and autonomy which they need to develop. That same leadership style should also inspire and excite the children, whilst providing a role model for the type of warm, positive relationships which are crucial to successful learning.

Our new Headteacher will be passionate about innovation in all areas of the curriculum, exploring new opportunities to help our children to develop and achieve their full potential, including fun and practical ways to engage all learners.

This is also an opportunity for you to develop great relationships with our external partners in the Parish Church, Diocese and Local Authority, as well as in the wider local community. We are looking for an outward-looking candidate who will relish this prospect.

We are proud to be a Church of England school and to place Christian values at the heart of our school's ethos and approach. We look forward to working with a new Headteacher who shares our dedication to such values as a key component of a warm, welcoming and friendly environment.

We cannot wait to share our school with you. We are proud of it and of its achievements so far and we are passionate about its potential to achieve even more. If you would like a chat with me to learn more about the school, please send me an e-mail at gov-craig.looker@headlandsce.net and we can arrange a good time for a call.

Yours faithfully
Craig Looker - Chair of Governors

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