



PARKSIDE COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL



LETTER FROM THE CHAIR OF GOVERNORS

“Education is not preparation for life; education is life itself.”

Dear Colleague and our Potential Inspirational Leader,

Thank you for showing interest in our wonderful school and in the incredibly important position of Head Teacher.

After our Good judgement at the Ofsted inspection in June this year, we have had to endure our sadness in saying goodbye to a very successful Head. She is leaving the school on both a sound financial footing and on the back of our most successful year in achievements. This now brings a great opportunity for a new Head to drive the school forward, to improve Parkside even further and lead us in time of continuing educational change, to satisfy our thirst to be an Outstanding school.

Parkside Community Primary School is a welcoming place where pupils are keen to learn and make good progress. The school is securing its place at the heart of the community because more families are supporting its high aspirations for their children (Ofsted 2013).

On behalf of the Governing Body, I am delighted by the continuing progress and the standard of behaviour of pupils at Parkside. We are a proud school and our pride is rooted in our community life and how the community is at the heart of the school and vice versa. It is this that cements the vision for our staff, Governors, pupils and families and has contributed to our successes.

The school has two assistant heads, with good teaching staff, supported by highly qualified teaching assistants. Governors contribute to the life of the school and community and have high aspirations for the pupils. Staff and Governors are ready and enthusiastic to embrace a contagiously inspirational new Head who can lead the school through its next journey.

What can we offer you? You will join a welcoming and caring school with community, with a capital C, at the heart. You will have the encouragement and dedication of staff and Governors to immerse yourself in this happy, motivated and achieving school. Add to this, Canterbury, a vibrant city of culture, blessed with wide ranging restaurants and retail outlets, excellent Universities and a city with incredible history, you have a recipe for a rewarding quality of life.

Parkside awaits a passionate and strategic leader to grasp this positivity in the school and catalyse an infectious “can do” attitude that will meet the aspirations of our pupils, parents and carers for the future. I welcome visits to the school, to meet the staff, Governors and pupils.

Dr A. K Sharman, Chair of Governors, Parkside Community School