

Victoria Road Primary School
Victoria Road
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Dear Applicant,

Thank you for your interest in Victoria Road Primary School. The vacancy exists because the head is moving on to a further headship. In recent years, we have gone from strength to strength and will be looking for someone who will continue to help move us towards outstanding.

Never was a saying truer than in our case - 'Never judge a book by its cover', the contrast of the Victorian outside with the buzz and vitality inside. By visiting us you will see what a lovely school we are as you will be warmly welcomed by staff and pupils. The pupils will proudly show you their work and will be happy to talk to you. The teachers enjoy people visiting their classrooms. The staff work very well together as a team. Our classrooms surround the hall which helps to create a family atmosphere.

We are privileged to have the use of 'the School House' in which the previous caretaker lived. This is used for the breakfast club, small group work and much more. The Family Liaison Officer is based there.

We believe wholeheartedly that this is a good school (and OFSTED agrees). Parents like the school because of its size, because they feel supported and welcomed and because their children are happy attending. They welcome the breakfast club and the variety of after-school clubs.

We are near to Victoria Park as well as the railway station and make good use of both including taking the children on outings to London. The leisure centre is also within walking distance and we use this for swimming and other sports.

The town centre is nearby and enables groups to go to the library and also, for example, Pizza Express to learn about making pizzas (always a popular visit)! We are proud of the way the children behave on visits; the staff have received many favourable comments from members of the public.

I hope this gives you a flavour of what the school is like. We'd like you to visit – you won't be disappointed – you might even want to apply for the headship.

We look forward to hearing from you and receiving your application.

Yours sincerely,

Lesley Charnley
Chair of Governors
Victoria Road Primary School