

Senacre Wood Primary School

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Dear Applicant,

Thank you for taking the time to visit our microsite and showing an interest in this rare and exciting opportunity, which has come about due to the retirement of our Headteacher.

Elsewhere within the microsite, you will find the recent Ofsted report, Job Description, Person Specifications and other useful supporting information. Please also visit our school website to gain additional details.

Headline notes are that this is a good school, it's well run and has sound financials. Pupil outcomes are good, Governors have a very good understanding of the school and visitors are often very complimentary. The Ofsted report highlights what we need to do to achieve "outstanding".

As our new head, you will have the opportunity to make a significant impact to the future direction of the school and ever improving outcomes. We have an active and effective Parent and Friends Association and an experienced Governing Body, which encourages and supports professional career development across the school.

This is a popular school, has a welcoming atmosphere and an excellent relationship with stakeholders. A distinctive ethos permeates the school, where everyone feels a sense of belonging, pupils are enthusiastic and keen learners. Their behaviour adheres well to our behaviour policy and this helps demonstrate the school ethos in action. They engage well with visitors, show respect towards others and, over time, form positive role models for each other.

The Governing Body works well at strategic level with the SLT and is rightly proud of the school, and the relationship between staff and parents/carers is good. We have an excellent and cohesive team, with teaching staff committed to raising standards within an ever changing educational landscape. They adapt well to the revisions in teaching styles and enthusiastically pool ideas.

We have extensive learning resources, good community links, a breakfast club and a number of extra-curricular activities.

If interested in the position, we would very much like to introduce you to our school with a guided tour, so that you can gain first-hand experience of our school and environment. Alternatively, an informal chat can be arranged. Either way, please contact the school office on +44 (0)1622 759864 and ask to speak to Penny, who can make the arrangements.

Even if circumstances do not allow a visit and you find the prospect of being our new HT enticing, then please do apply. I look forward to receiving your application and to learning what you can do for our school.

If successful, using your leadership, strategic capabilities and perhaps a fresh approach, you will lead a strong, dedicated and supportive team and help maximise the potential for all learners. You will find governors both supportive and challenging in undertaking their duties.

Many thanks for your interest in our school and perhaps we can welcome you to our family.

Yours sincerely,

Andy Bax

Chair of Governors