

Dear Applicant,

Thank you for taking the time to visit our microsite, which I hope gives you a clear insight into the merits of working at Bethersden school.

The vacancy has arisen as a result of the current head, Emma Dyer, obtaining a post in a larger school after 4 years of highly successful leadership at Bethersden.

We are now looking for a new Headteacher who will continue to develop our ethos of nurturing, inspiring, motivating and challenging all of our wonderful children and who will help us towards achieving our ambition to become an outstanding school.

We have a strong and dedicated team of staff at Bethersden, who are totally committed to raising standards, whilst nurturing each and every child. The school staff are supported and outcomes challenged by a committed team of governors.

Earlier this year, Bethersden was awarded Read Write Inc. model school status. We are also proud to have become a local Pupil Premium award winner, in recognition of the progress and attainment that our disadvantaged children continue to make. Stonewall champion status has also been awarded.

We believe at Bethersden that nurture is fundamental to learning. We have been awarded nurture funding to implement a nurture provision on site. This would be a KS1 focus for tier 3 support and would include staffing of 2 complex case workers. The recent funding is a great opportunity for someone who is passionate about inclusion. We currently offer a wide range of pastoral support and have two dedicated pastoral support workers.

Bethersden Primary School is small but beautifully formed with a big heart! We as governors look forward to working with a new Headteacher who shares our ambition for the future of Bethersden.

Please come along and visit us at Bethersden to see our great school at work.

Yours sincerely

Sam Buckman Chair of Governors