

Ditton C. of E. Junior School



Dear Candidate

Thank you for your interest in the Headteacher's position at Ditton C of E Junior School (VA). You find us at an exciting time in our history. Our interim Headteacher has been with us for two years, in that time he has successfully taken the school forward and ensured a solid "good" Ofsted report. During these two years, the culture and expectations of the school have been transformed immeasurably and we are now looking for our own Headteacher to take us up to the next level.

If you come and visit us you will find a group of fantastic teachers and teaching assistants who consistently produce lively and inspired teaching to the children in their care. You will also find that our pupils are well behaved and have a strong love of learning as well as a strong understanding of how they learn. We believe that an enthusiastic and motivational leader will be able to make this collection of staff and pupils into a beacon of learning to show everyone what can be achieved with inspired leadership and hard work.

Ditton C of E Junior School is proud to be at the heart of Ditton. Our strong community links start with St Peter's Church, just across the road, but also involve the local heritage and community centres. We enjoy being the school which represents our neighbourhood and with all of our pupils living close to the school, our PTA and afterschool activities are particularly strong.

We believe our pupils will thrive on a challenging learning experience built on a strong Christian foundation. Our school roll is 2 classes of 30 pupils in each of years 3, 4, 5, and 6 and this is in some sense the perfect size; large enough to organise events of substance but small enough to know everyone by name.

The school dates from the Victorian era (in fact the heritage centre is contained in one of the original Victorian buildings) but the current facilities are far newer. The governing body is committed to providing the best facilities we can and this year each classroom has been fully refurbished and decorated. We are also fortunate to share a substantial playing field with the outstanding Infant School on the other side. Access to this field allows us to host, as well as compete, in many district events. So you can see our school takes every opportunity it can to support the local and district community.

It is hard to communicate one of the great strengths of the school, its atmosphere, with just words and pictures but I hope you can gain a sense of what we do here and what we wish to do. You are welcome to visit us at any time and we look forward to sharing some time with you soon. However if you find that you have any queries please do not hesitate to get in touch with me using 01732 843446.

Yours sincerely

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Chair of Governors

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