Lympne C.E. Primary School



12th December 2016

Dear Candidate,

Thank you for your interest in the Head Teacher vacancy at Lympne CEP School.

Anything I can tell you about Lympne School you will feel the moment you walk through our doors and into our bright and modern building.

Every member of the school is part of something very special. At the heart of the school lies a strong and carefully nurtured ethos which, built on Christian values, creates the welcoming and friendly feel. In her report last month our Ofsted inspector was keen to feedback how strong the culture and ethos of the school were, how the values were put into practise with the older children supporting the younger and how happy the children are to come to school.

The successful candidate will be comfortable in embracing this ethos and have the vision and leadership skills to continue our improvement journey. We are proud of our Ofsted report which should re-assure you that there is a very solid foundation on which to build. There are of course always areas for development and the new Head will have a great opportunity to clarify these and take us forward in his or her own style.

We have a team of active governors who work well together as the school's critical friend. We are ambitious and will be supportive of the new leader and the staff team, committed to their efforts and their professional development and well-being. The school also has very supportive parents with a strong PTFA. The teaching staff, many of whom have their own children at the school, exude enthusiasm and are keen to support their new Head Teacher. The school is a member of the Hythe Hub of schools, an active collaboration which will be a major support to the new Head.

Lympne is a fantastic village and the Head Teacher is a key part of the village community. Not many villages have their own castle and Safari park! The school plays an active part in the community and manages to maintain its popular village feel while its catchment area has gradually expanded.

I am keen for you to come and see us for yourself and urge you to book an appointment with the school office so that our Deputy Head Teacher, Mrs Ladd, can show you around. Please also take time to look at our 'Children's view' page. It is what they love about their school and I am confident that you will too.

Yours Sincerely

Julie Lowe Chair of Governors