

Wilmington Primary School

(Academy)

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Dear Applicant,

Thank you for your interest in the role of Headteacher at Wilmington Primary School (Academy).

Our current Head teacher is retiring after 26 years in his role and we are keen to find a strong successor. He has worked hard to improve the school and leaves it in a strong position as a 'Good' school with the foundation laid to being recognised as 'Outstanding'.

The Governing body is small, by some school's standards, consisting of people with a range of experience from varied backgrounds, from external sources and Parent Governors. Many governors have wanted to continue helping future generations after their term of office and after their own children have left the school, producing a stable and progressive body.

Wilmington Primary School has a warm, friendly and family ethos, where we believe that children need a secure learning environment that provides calmness, security, stimulation and excitement. This will ensure they are able to grow spiritually, morally, socially and culturally, allowing them to learn and develop. This was supported in our latest OFSTED report, which showed our pupils to have good behaviour and also demonstrated a confident attitude towards learning.

Our school is set in the heart of the village community, with a dedicated team of teaching and support staff, who strive for the best possible outcomes for our children in all areas of school life. The school also has an active Parents Association, which works with the Governors to support our vision.

"Our vision is to provide a happy, caring and stimulating environment where children will be helped to achieve their maximum potential while learning to respect others so that all will make their best contribution to society"

Our school is located in the middle of Wilmington Parish, situated just outside the town of Dartford in the county of Kent. We are a single form entry school, with Foundation Stage, Key Stage One and Two classes sharing a common identity and purpose. The building is modern, compact and semi open planned and we have given considerable attention to maintaining and updating the physical school environment. Recently installed canteen facilities, a very comprehensive play area and a large field which is regularly used for curricular and after school sporting activities.

Wilmington Primary is an independent Academy, which works in a collaborative partnership with Joydens Wood Junior Academy, Maypole, Wentworth, West Hill and Our Lady's Catholic Primary schools. We are also in partnership with Dartford Grammar School and Shanghai Shixi High School and will look to our new headteacher to consider new ways to strengthen these relationships further in the future.

Visits to the school are warmly welcomed and encouraged, please contact Mrs Reynolds/Mrs Brown at jreynolds@wilmington-cp.kent.sch.uk or telephone (01322) 274080 to arrange an appointment.

Yours faithfully,

Karin Clements (Chair of Governors)

