

April 2017

Dear Applicant

On behalf of the pupils, staff and Governors, I would like to thank you for the interest you have shown in the vacancy of Executive Headteacher with The Cedar Federation.

We are very proud of our unique Federation and the reputation and achievements of each of our schools. We have ambitious plans for the future. This is an opportunity for a strong and dynamic leader to influence, inspire, support and coach an extremely willing and able team to improve and sustain outstanding educational outcomes for our remarkable and enthusiastic pupils.

King's Farm Primary School is a two form entry Primary School at the heart of the King's Farm community. Ifield School is a Foundation co-educational Special School for 223 pupils aged 4 to 19 years with Profound, Severe and Complex needs including Communication & Interaction difficulties. The schools share a nursery based at King's Farm Primary School and the Ifield School Sixth Form and Post 19 facility is based at the Gravesend campus of North Kent College.

The Federation has strong links with the local community and each school has forged their own identity among the wider community. King's Farm School has recently begun a collaborative relationship with the prestigious Goldsmiths Company and Ifield School continues to work strategically with organisations such as the Kent Special Educational Needs Trust, Kent Association of Headteachers, the Collaborative Learning Alliance of Special Schools in addition to leading the Thames Teaching Alliance.

We are very excited about the future of The Cedar Federation and hope you will be too. We would be delighted to show you around our two schools so that you have the opportunity to meet informally with the retiring Executive Headteacher, Heads of School and pupils.

The Governing Body are pleased to provide you with information about the Cedar Federation, our two schools and further details of the post of Executive Headteacher. Our microsite contains details of the quality and skills we are looking for in our new Executive Headteacher together with full details of how to apply and detailed information about our schools and the local area.

Please contact Carole Rough, Director of Finance and Resources or Claire Shed, Leadership and Governance Clerk to make an appointment on 01474 365485.

Interviews will be held on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> May 2017 with a decision on appointment made on the evening of the 25<sup>th</sup> May.

Yours sincerely



Duncan Campbell  
Chair of Governors

