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Dear potential applicant

Lead Teacher of Performing Arts

Thank you for your interest in this position. I don't write bespoke accompanying letters for every post advertised at The Lenham School, but through this process, I really want to find the best applicant out there. I am now in my third year as the Headteacher of The Lenham School and I have invested heavily in this area, putting Performing Arts at the heart of what our school community does. My mission as Headteacher has been to drive academic standards, but in order to do that, I have focused heavily on creating life changing opportunities for children, so they know they are seen, celebrated and that they truly belong.

During my time here, we have held school productions of 'Oliver', 'Beauty and the Beast' (with a full accompanying orchestra) and only last month, 'Footloose'. We have also performed concerts in local restaurants, pubs, Christmas lights events, churches, festivals and other huge public performances. I am looking for someone with real dreams and ambitions for what can be done with the arts, and in return, I will look to support you in making that a reality. I want the successful applicant to build a curriculum that inspires children to get involved and feel confident in themselves. I feel very strongly that like everything in our school, Performing Arts must be inclusive in everything it does. I am incredibly proud that for a school of 800 children, we had a cast of over 70 for 'Footloose'. Some of those children were stealing the show with stunning vocal performances, but for some just being involved and making new friends has been a huge individual victory.

As we are tight community and work collaboratively at all times; this is especially true of the arts at The Lenham School. I am looking for the best person to lead Performing Arts, but with the flexibility of being able to be involved with Music would be advantageous.

I have attached a second page with this letter, showcasing some of our recent events for you to see.

Regards,

Mr R Ferguson
Headteacher

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