

# CLIFTONVILLE PRIMARY & PRE-SCHOOL

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Dear Applicant

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Thank you for taking an interest in the post of Deputy Headteacher at Cliftonville Primary and Preschool. I am delighted that you are considering applying for this incredible opportunity at Cliftonville Primary School and pre-School and I thank you for taking the time to read this letter.

We are looking to appoint an inspirational, committed leader who will further enhance both our leadership team and the lives and learning of our children. We are looking for that right person who is going to work tirelessly and make us the best school that we can be.

This is a fantastic opportunity to be a fundamental driving force in taking our highly popular school to the next level. You will be joining a passionate and driven team who have an extraordinary sense of moral purpose and belief that there are no barriers; that every single child should and must have the best opportunities to thrive, succeed, be the best that they can be. We are committed to children being safe, happy and successful, in order for them to enjoy their learning journey and development, whilst being effectively supported to overcome any barriers so that they achieve the best outcomes possible.

Our new Deputy Headteacher will work closely with the Headteacher and be actively supported by a dedicated team of staff and governors that is hard working, flexible and invested in our children's education.

It's true to say that our values and mission drives us every single day.

**Independence Safe and Settled Resilience Respect Aspiration Learning Community**

## OUR MISSION

As an outstanding school we will inspire children to achieve more than they ever believed possible

## OUR VISION

That every member of our school community is challenged and supported to be the very best they can be

That through our high-quality learning experiences & curriculum we will improve the life-chances of our children

That we educate the whole child so they can thrive in a changing world

We are proudly part of the Coastal Academies Trust (CAT)- a small local MAT of just 6 schools serving the Thanet community. By joining us you will be part of something bigger, exciting and meaningful. Where there is a focus on:

- Ambition and drive to be better
- Collaboration and partnerships
- Opportunities for leadership development
- Peer to peer support
- Inclusion and diversity is just what we do
- Make Thanet a centre of educational excellence



Cliftonville Primary and Pre School is a highly popular four-form entry school and therefore one of the largest primary schools nationwide with 840 children and a full pre-school on site. With excellent staff stability; embedded policies, practice and routines we are looking for a hardworking and enthusiastic new Deputy Headteacher to impact on ensuring that Cliftonville Primary and Pre School continues to drive forward in our school improvement journey.

If you are interested in applying for this leadership position, we would encourage you to find out more about the school by visiting our school website and to come and visit us to see school life in action; embracing opportunities to speak openly with staff and children about their views.

We very much hope that in preparing an application and finding out more about our school, that you too will become excited about the prospects of the journey ahead. We take this opportunity to look forward to meeting you either on a visit or at an interview process and to wish you luck in progressing your application.

We very much look forward to hearing from you.

Thank you and best wishes.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Claire Whichcord', written in a cursive style.

Claire Whichcord

Headteacher