

Dear Perspective Applicant,

I wanted to write this letter as I wanted to attempt to communicate some of my pride in being the Headteacher of this wonderful school.

Leah Grimsley, Deputy Headteacher and I came together from our previous school in 2015; the newest member of the SLT started at the school in 2016! We have been an effective team for a long period of time. The SLT consists of three (other) AHTs, four in total, plus our superb SENCO.

Beneath the SLT, we have a group of teachers that are aspiring leaders that we collectively call our ‘Excellence Committee’. A few years ago, we came up with an add-on to our school values called ‘Team KR.’ This embodies what we hope each member of our school community will bring to our team (commitment, sacrifice, loyalty, pride and reliability). I can confidently say that the school community, particularly the staff members, demonstrate these values in abundance; I am very lucky and happy to be part of this incredible team.

I feel that the rewards of being part of this team and particularly the SLT, are vast! We look after each other and enjoy the benefits of a high functioning school. We also work hard! I hope that the leaders at Kings Road demonstrate positivity, preparation and role-modelling – we have no time for egotists or those that would like the status without the effort.

Our end of key stage outcomes are consistently high, often surpassing national expectations. We are proud of the high expectations we have of all pupils and staff. At Kings Road, we are a ‘Rights Respecting School’ (UNICEF) and have recently been awarded with Silver demonstrating our commitment to being ‘rights aware’. In 2024 we were a finalist at the prestigious TES Schools Awards – celebrating excellence across the whole education sector and specifically for, ‘Primary School of the Year’. We have achieved many awards and recognition over the years in our plight for ‘Excellence without Compromise’ including, twice shortlisted into the top three schools as school of the year for the Manchester Evening News School Awards.

The children are an utter joy to behold. They demonstrate energy, happiness and respect always. There really is a remarkable culture at the school. We are well over 90% ethnic minority, slightly above the average school for Pupil Premium and four times the average school for EAL.

I would encourage applicants to visit the school – we have organised a show around (including a cup of tea and slice of cake) after school on Monday 28th April. The deadline for applications in Tuesday 6th May with the interviews being held on Tuesday 20th May.

If we can help in any way, please do not hesitate to get in contact with us.

Kindest regards

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Headteacher

Mr D. A. Morgan

Deputy Headteacher

Miss L. Grimsley

Chair of Governors

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Kings Road Primary School

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