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A message from the Headteacher

Thank you for your interest in the Deputy Headteacher role at Colindale Primary School.

This is a really exciting time for our school. Colindale is a vibrant, diverse and ambitious community, and we are incredibly proud of what we have built together.

Our children are at the heart of everything we do. They are kind, respectful and enthusiastic learners who deserve the very best from us every single day. They are motivated in their learning, have high aspirations and build positive relationships with each other and with staff. Our parents are supportive and value working in partnership with the school to enhance their children's learning and achievement.

At Colindale, our values of Respect, Kindness and Excellence are not just words – they are lived and felt throughout the school. You will see them in our classrooms, in our relationships, and in the way we support one another as a community.

We are a large, three-form entry, multi-cultural primary school in the heart of Colindale, North London. We have a 39-place nursery, a thriving two-year-old provision, and an additional resource base for pupils with physical disabilities. With this comes both opportunity and complexity. This role is not a small one. It requires someone who can think strategically, lead with clarity and purpose, and at the same time be fully present in the day-to-day life of the school.

We are looking for a Deputy Headteacher who will go above and beyond for our children – because that is what we do here. Someone with high expectations, who also understands that great schools are built on strong relationships, teamwork, and a genuine commitment to inclusion and wellbeing.

You will be joining a dedicated and supportive staff team who care deeply about the children and about each other. We work hard, but we also look after one another. Professional development is a real strength of the school, and we are committed to growing leaders from within and supporting staff to be the very best they can be.

This role offers the opportunity to make a significant impact. You will play a central role in shaping the next stage of Colindale's journey.

We are committed to protecting and promoting children's rights, recognised through our UNICEF Rights Respecting School Award. Our values underpin a positive environment in which both children and staff are supported to thrive.

Our staff benefit from a strong culture of professional development, shared leadership and innovation, alongside a genuine commitment to wellbeing. This includes access to a comprehensive Employee Assistance Programme and the use of our on-site indoor swimming pool.

We strongly encourage you to visit the school – it is the best way to understand what makes Colindale such a special place to work.

I look forward to meeting you.

Warm regards,
Jane Palmer
Headteacher

