26th January 2024

Dear Applicant,

Thank you for showing an interest in the post of Deputy Headteacher at Ryelands Primary and Nursery School. I am excited by the prospect of welcoming an inspiring teacher and dynamic leader to join our effective leadership team and dedicated school staff. As a non-class-based Deputy Headteacher at Ryelands, you would be working with me to provide effective strategic management and to ensure the successful day-to-day running of the school. Every day will bring challenges, creative and deep thinking, as well as smiles and rewards. The Senior Leadership Team includes two Assistant Headteachers who lead on Curriculum and Teaching and Learning and who are also Team Leaders for their KS2 phase. There are two further Team Leaders for KS1 and EYFS and there is a part-time, non-teaching SENCO. In addition, Ryelands employs a Pupil Support Manager who is the DSL and leads on behaviour.

This is a positive time to be joining the staff at Ryelands. Our school has made significant and successful progress in its journey in recent years. In 2023 pupil outcomes were strong when compared to historic data, on-entry profiles and the national picture. We are proud of this, and yet we have ambitions for greater improvement and wider development. We place great importance on CPD at all levels. Ryelands is recognised for its exemplary practice and we value collaborative working to improve educational outcomes for young people beyond our own school community. Examples of this are our pioneering work on the Morecambe Bay Curriculum and our well established links with the North North West Maths Hub. Most importantly, Ryelands is a very happy school and place to work.

We are looking to appoint a Deputy Headteacher with an enthusiasm and commitment to raising standards and to providing the very best provision for all pupils and who holds a core desire to make a difference. We wish to appoint an outstanding teacher and dynamic leader who has the energy and vision to work with the SLT to drive forward improvements with focus and care for individuals and the community. I am specifically looking for a Deputy Headteacher who can work with me to bring out the very best in our children and to enable our teachers to excel and enjoy this privileged and beautiful profession.

If you would like any further details or to visit school, please feel free to contact me. Applications should be received by 12 noon on Tuesday 20th February. Shortlisted applicants will be invited to spend the day in school on Wednesday 6th March and then interview on Thursday 7th March. Good luck with your application. I look forward to hearing from you.

Mrs Linda Pye

Headteacher