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# Whitfield Church of England Primary School

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Head of School: Mrs Katherine. M. Ayre



### **HEAD OF SCHOOL**

(Full time, permanent with approx. 0.7 FTE teaching commitment)

Start Date: 1st September 2024 Salary: L1- L3 Leadership Spine

Age Range: 3-11 years old NoR: 25 (plus Nursery)

"Now that I've put you there on a hilltop, on a light stand – shine!" – Matthew 5

The Local Governing Body of our school wish to appoint an inspirational Head of School who will work closely with our Executive Headteacher, building on strong foundations to further develop our successful and inclusive school.

Whitfield Church of England Primary School is idyllically situated in the North Pennines Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty, a unique rural setting where we take maximum advantage of our surroundings.

We seek to appoint a dynamic Head of School to continue the high standards of learning within our distinctively Christian ethos of mutual care, alongside a strong curriculum that nurtures the whole child. We benefit from active and supportive partnerships with the local church and village community. Whitfield C of E Primary School offers extended school care on site, and nursery provision for children aged 3 years and up.

As part of the Good Shepherd Trust, the Diocese of Carlisle's Multi Academy Trust, the school benefits from working in partnership with other schools in the Trust family. Collaboration is strong, with curriculum development, school improvement, and leadership support allowing schools to flourish.

We would like to hear from you if you are able to:

- lead teaching and learning, using the latest evidence-informed research.
- foster strong relationships with the whole school community, whilst positively promoting our school in the wider community;
- lead our school family by example in pursuing our distinctive Christian ethos;
- demonstrate approachable, collaborative and well-organised leadership



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## We can offer you:

- a welcoming school with caring, enthusiastic children who are keen to learn and are supported by their parents and the dedicated Local Governing Body
- an inclusive school committed to the needs of all children
- strong support from the Good Shepherd Trust, with excellent opportunities for your continued professional development, as part of a family of likeminded schools.
- a dedicated, skilled, mutually supportive staff team committed to caring and developing each child,
- · the support of an experienced Executive Headteacher;
- a school situated in a beautiful location, above the village of Whitfield in the West Allendale valley. Less than 15 minutes from the A69, and only 20 minutes from the regional centre of Hexham.

Prospective applicants are very welcome to contact school to arrange a visit.

For an informal discussion about the role with our Executive Headteacher Rob Blake please contact Lisa Heppell, Clerk to the LGB (01434 345267) or e-mail <a href="mailto:admin@whitfieldprimary.uk">admin@whitfieldprimary.uk</a> to make an appointment.

Whitfield C of E Primary School is committed to safeguarding and safer recruitment. The successful applicant will be appointed subject to an enhanced DBS check, professional references, pre-employment ID and medical checks. To apply, please visit the school website <a href="https://www.whitfieldprimary.uk">www.whitfieldprimary.uk</a> to download an application form and recruitment pack.

All completed application forms are to be returned to:-

Mrs L Heppell (Clerk to Local Governing Body) Whitfield CE Primary School, Whitfield, Hexham, Northumberland, NE47 8JH or via email admin@whitfieldprimary.uk

The closing date for applications is 12.00pm Wednesday 17th April 2024.

Interviews are planned for Tuesday 23rd and Wednesday 24th April 2024.