

Letter from the Chair of Governors

Dear Headteacher applicant,

Thank you for your interest in the post of Headteacher at Bushfield Road Infants School. I am delighted that you are considering applying to lead our unique and wonderful school. The vacancy has arisen as a result of the current Headteacher's retirement after many years of dedicated and passionate service.

The governors wish to appoint someone who is an experienced senior leader who has a passion for education with a relentless drive for school improvement and delivering the best outcomes for children. You should be a strong, approachable, compassionate and supportive leader who is passionate and knowledgeable about the pursuit of teaching and learning in schools and has a love of working with children. You should possess strong interpersonal skills and an ability to inspire and lead an incredibly loyal and hard-working staff body. You will be committed to monitoring and improving the quality of teaching and learning as well as having a keen insight into the effective management and budgeting of the school finances.

The person specification provides a more comprehensive list of the qualities we are looking for, but in essence we wish to appoint somebody with the wisdom, experience and confidence to drive the school forwards. Bushfield was rated as 'Requires Improvement' at our last OFSTED visit, this means that our new headteacher has a fantastic opportunity to make transformational change to improve the outcomes and life chances of our wonderful children – you would have the chance to really make a positive difference. If this is you – we hope you will consider applying to be our new headteacher. We can promise you a great staff, a dedicated governing body and wonderful children and families to work with.

I warmly encourage you to visit the school to see the pupils and staff at work. Please contact Diane James on 01724 842829 to make an appointment. I look forward to hearing from you and receiving your application by noon on the closing date of 15th September at 12 noon. The interviews for this post will be held on 22 and 23 September 2025.

With my warmest wishes,

Damian Batley

Chair of Governors