



GORRAN SCHOOL

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Dear Candidate

On behalf of the Governing Board, thank you for your interest in the post of Headteacher at Gorran School. Gorran School is a small, friendly local-authority-maintained primary school with just over 90 pupils on roll, serving the small villages of Gorran Churchtown, Gorran Haven and the surrounding area.

The school benefits greatly from its coastal location and the rich learning opportunities this provides. We value outdoor learning and we have strong links with the community. Pupils regularly take part in local events and activities that strengthen their sense of belonging and pride in their school.

Our current headteacher will be retiring at the end of this academic year, and the Governing Board is seeking to appoint a new headteacher who can build on the school's many strengths while providing clear, confident leadership. This is an exciting opportunity for a headteacher who enjoys leading a small school where their impact is both visible and immediate.

Gorran School is currently organised into four classes, each taught by a full-time teacher and supported by experienced support staff. The Governing Board encourages applications from candidates who can demonstrate how they would lead the school effectively and sustainably within this context, who understand the importance of effective resource management, and who can work constructively with governors to secure the long-term success of the school, while maintaining high standards of education and care for all pupils.

We believe this post offers a rewarding opportunity for a headteacher who wishes to make a meaningful difference in a close-knit school community, with the support of a committed Governing Board and an active and supportive parent body.

Further information about the school, including our most recent Ofsted report, can be found on our website: <https://www.gorranschool.co.uk>. Please note that as the school website is currently being reviewed and developed, the enclosed information pack is intended to provide applicants with the key and most up-to-date information about the school.

Visits to the school are warmly encouraged and can be arranged by contacting Sally Dowling at the school office on 01726 842595 or secretary@gorran.cornwall.sch.uk.

Thank you once again for your interest. We look forward to receiving your application and learning more about how your experience, skills and vision could contribute to the future of Gorran School.

Yours faithfully,

Jenni Ferguson

Chair of Governors