**Letter from the Chair of Governors, Mrs Anita Bailey**

Dear Applicant,

Thank you for your interest in the position of Headteacher, at Shawlands Primary School, Barnsley, South Yorkshire.

The Governing Body are seeking to appoint an experienced leader who will thoroughly support our school’s principles to ‘be happy, be caring, be aspirational, be forward-thinking, be safe and be healthy’ which are embedded throughout our school and the community.

Shawlands Primary School is a very special place and our recent Ofsted inspection recognised the high expectations the school holds for all pupils and that school leaders and governors are united in their commitment to providing a high-quality education (<https://files.ofsted.gov.uk/v1/file/50257455>).

Therefore, the right candidate will have an excellent platform to work from. You will inherit a highly professional, supportive and motivated senior leadership team, along with an excellent staff team and a very proactive Governing Body. Every member of staff at Shawlands Primary School goes above and beyond placing the children’s interest and well-being at the forefront of everything they do.

The staff at Shawlands Primary School are extremely proud of the children’s behaviour and commitment to their learning and education - children love coming to school. We are proud of our school community and our parents and carers speak highly of the school and of our staff.

Please do look closely at our school website which will give you further information about school curriculum, assessment and safeguarding and will provide an insight into normal every day like of the school [Home Page - Shawlands Primary School](https://shawlandsprimaryschool.co.uk/).

We look forward to receiving your application.

Kind regards,

Anita Bailey