

## Middleton Parish Church School

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A Voluntary Aided Primary School in the Diocese of Manchester

Head teacher: Jackie Cooke

Acting Deputy Head teacher: Felicity Wainwright

### *“Excellence, Truth and Grace”*

#### Letter from the Chair of Governors

Dear Headteacher applicant,

Thank you for your interest in the post of Headteacher at Middleton Parish Church School. We are a popular voluntary aided school serving a diverse community, within the Rochdale borough. As a worshipping school we have developed strong links with the parish of St. Leonard's so that we can encourage and nurture children's faith.

I am very pleased that you are considering applying to lead our unique and wonderful school. The vacancy has arisen as a result of the current Head, Jackie Cooke, retiring after 12 years' service to the school and wider community.

In the application pack we have provided a flavour of the school in order to give you an indication of the scope and range of opportunities and possibilities that the post offers. I hope that you find the information that we have provided of sufficient interest that you decide to apply for the post.

We want to employ somebody who is able to build on the strengths that our outgoing head and the staff have achieved; we are a church school with a strong Christian commitment and values that motivate the pastoral support to families which ensures there is mutual and substantial benefit to the children, the school, and the community.

The person specification provides a more comprehensive list of the qualities we are looking for, but in essence, our new Headteacher should be a strong, approachable, compassionate and supportive leader with both a vision for the future and enthusiasm for the ethos and values that have ensured the success of our school. 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. You will be someone who can maintain strong links with the church and local community, and engage well with staff, and with parents.

I warmly encourage you to visit the school to see the pupils and staff at work. Please contact Lucy Stocker, School Business Manager, to arrange this.

Yours faithfully,  
Helen Majerski  
(Acting Chair of Governors)