

Headteacher - Patcham Junior School

Job introduction

Patcham Junior School is a friendly and popular school located in Patcham, a distinct community on the outskirts of Brighton. Our school is a happy, high-performing community with strong foundations.

Our headteacher, after 9 years leading the school, is moving onwards & upwards to inspire & encourage more children elsewhere.

We are looking for an enthusiastic leader, who will embrace everything that makes Patcham a welcoming, vibrant school.

About the role

We are looking for a leader who:-

- has at least 3 years experience in a senior leadership team in a Primary or Junior School
- has worked in at least 2 schools.
- will lead with integrity
- will inspire excellence in teaching, and passion and curiosity in all learners
- will build strong partnerships with pupils, families, staff, governors
- will continue to strengthen our inclusive, ambitious & caring culture
- will drive continuous improvement while celebrating what already makes our school special

We are looking for someone with the skills, experience, and personality to lead our school through its next exciting chapter.

Post: Full time, Permanent

Pay Scale: Leadership L14 – L20, £71,330 - £82,654

Start date: September 2026

Application

- application form is included in the recruitment pack
- email completed forms to Finance@patchamjun.brighton-hove.sch.uk
- completed paper copies, to the school, addressed to Sue Blackman, School Business Manager

Candidates are encouraged to visit the school – phone the school office to arrange – 01273 087513

Closing date: Sunday 22nd February 2026 midnight for emailed applications, and Friday 13th February 2026 3pm for paper applications (due to the half term holiday).

Shortlisting date: Tuesday 24th February 2026

Interview dates: Thursday 5th & Friday 6th March 2026 (with the Panel reserving the right to conclude the process after Day 1)