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Dear Candidate,

On behalf of the governors, I'd like to take this opportunity to welcome you to Oakfield Park School and thank you for your interest in the role of Headteacher here.

We are delighted you are considering applying to lead our unique and wonderful school. Oakfield Park is a special place, with a thriving and close-knit community of students, parents, staff, and governors who are fully committed to providing the very best education and care, and making a real difference to the lives of young people with special educational needs.

Following the retirement of Stephanie Nagy, our inspiring and supportive Headteacher, we are looking for another experienced and ambitious leader with a passion for special education who can lead our school to new and exciting heights. You will find a school with both an outstanding and secure foundation on which to build and an unparalleled opportunity for growth and to make an impact: we have recently secured funding and support from Wakefield Council to expand our footprint, and are exploring opportunities to deliver off-site provision in ways which enhances the experience for all our students.

We hope that the job and person specifications give a clear and detailed overview of what we are looking for in our new Headteacher, and we ask you to address these points in your application. In summary, you will:

- Be passionate about special education; a proven practitioner with successful leadership experience
- Hold safeguarding paramount, and promote the welfare of all young people within our school
- Be an expert in developing special school curricula, and use your experience to reinforce and further develop our child-centred learning and culture, upholding ambitious standards for all pupils to prepare them well for independent, productive, and happy lives
- Ensure the well-being and continuous development of all staff, and champion effective working together as a team
- Lead by example - with passion, integrity, creativity, resilience, and clarity

If you bring the experience and skills to drive our school forwards and are excited by the opportunity to be our Headteacher, then we would love to hear from you! We warmly encourage you to visit us and see whether we might be a good fit for you. Please contact me at MCarlton@oakfieldpark.wakefield.sch.uk or by phone at 07912 418767 to arrange an appointment.

We look forward to meeting you and wish you every success with your application!

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