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Dear Candidate,

Thank you for your interest in the role of Leader of Learning for Science at Sir William Romney's School.

Part of the Athelstan Trust, Sir William Romney's School is the comprehensive school of choice not only for families in Tetbury but also across a wider catchment area which includes Nailsworth, Horsley, Stroud and Dursley. Our welcoming and inclusive school community is firmly based on our school values of aspiration, collaboration and resilience. These core values are firmly embedded across our curriculum and are also reflected in our joint sixth-form model that provides an outstanding route to university courses and degree level apprenticeships.

Sir William Romney's School prides itself on our curriculum that delivers an excellent education for all students. Our curriculum is firmly built on four pillars that is evident in all aspects of school life:

- Ethnicity, Diversity and Inclusion
- Literacy and articulacy
- Life beyond SWR (extra-curricular opportunities)
- Life after SWR (aspirational post-16 pathways)

We firmly believe that our curriculum celebrates inclusivity, promotes a life-long love of learning and inspires all students to become the very best versions of themselves.

Sir William Romney's School joined the Athelstan Trust in April 2020. The Athelstan Trust's core values of 'care, collaboration and excellence' are at the heart of our approach towards leadership and care for students and staff. Therefore, I am looking for a teacher who will embody our school and the Trust's values on a daily basis. The successful candidate will not only be an excellent teacher in their subject area, but also show tremendous commitment to the pastoral care and enrichment of our students. In return, the successful candidate will receive a comprehensive package of professional learning within our welcoming, caring and supportive school community.

Vision

Our vision is that students from all backgrounds make positive academic progress and develop into young adults that make a positive contribution to the communities that they live and learn in. We expect students to consistently meet our high expectations, respect each other's differences and make positive contributions to the school and wider communities.

An integral part of our curriculum is 'life beyond SWR' which reflects our strong belief that enrichment is critical to students' enjoyment of school and enables life-long success. Therefore, we run an extensive programme of trips, visits, sporting and creative opportunities for all students. I am very proud that we





'punch above our weight' as a small school in the number of extra-curricular opportunities offered for students across our school.

Our most recent OFSTED in February 2020 found the school to be good in all areas of the framework. We are most proud that inspectors observed that, 'pupils valued the strong community ethos of their school,' and that, 'students of all abilities were valued for their individuality'. Similarly, our curriculum was praised on its construction and being, 'rooted in a clear moral purpose.'

While students and staff are proud of our learning community, we still have a journey ahead which includes narrowing the gap in achievement for our disadvantaged and SEND students. Therefore, the successful candidate will join us at an exciting stage as we continue to work towards all students achieving excellent outcomes in all areas.

Please read the relevant sections on our website, the job description and contact my Personal Assistant, Daisy Alban-Jones, if you would like to discuss the role further or visit our school. As a flexible working school, I am happy to discuss flexible working opportunities with prospective candidates either before or after interview.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours faithfully

Mr Rob Skipp Acting Headteacher

