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Dear Applicant,

Thank you for taking an interest in the vacancy of Class Teacher at Acomb First School .

This post is advertised as variable hours 0.8-fulltime and is planned to be fulltime as long as school numbers allow in the future. However this may be negotiable for the right candidate.

The school is situated in the village of Acomb, near Hexham, and has a mix of private, council and rented properties.

For the academic year 2016/17 the school roll of 57 is organised into 3 classes. The number is set to increase in September 2017.

The school has a positive reputation, enjoying support from the parents and wider community. A successful Ofsted monitoring visit took place in May 2016. The HMI stated that “senior leaders and governors are taking effective action to address the areas requiring improvement.” And “a leadership model has been carved out specifically for this school and has been designed to move the school rapidly to good.”

The governors are seeking to appoint a dedicated, enthusiastic Class Teacher, who will bring their own curricular strengths and experience to enhance the existing team. Please state your areas of interest in your application.

The school is continuing to extend its whole school approach to curriculum development, ensuring continuity and progression throughout the school, further raising standards, with the interest of the education of the individual child of prime importance. A practical, creative approach to teaching and learning ensures children are willingly and attentively engaged in their learning. The successful candidate would be expected to be an integral part of this process.

Recent developments include:

* working as part of the North east Maths Hub to implement a mastery in maths approach throughout the school:
* further enhancing opportunities for all pupils to apply and further develop reasoning, fluency in daily Maths sessions;
* adopting RWInc phonics and spelling across the school:
* insisting upon high standards in handwriting and presentation;
* developing the skills of those leaders who are new to their roles to maximise pupils’ attainment and progress in their areas of responsibility.

We would expect the successful candidate to be someone with enthusiasm for their profession, who cares deeply about children and their education and who is willing to work hard to develop each and every child so that they achieve their full potential.

I look forward to hearing from you,

Yours sincerely,

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Mrs Angela Speed