

# GRANGETOWN PRIMARY SCHOOL



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Headteacher: Mr Les McAnaney  
Deputy Headteacher: Ms Lesley Cole  
Chair of Governors: Mrs Sue Thomson

17th March 2017

Dear Applicant

Thankyou for showing an interest in our teacher vacancies. A Job Description and Person Specification, plus a recent Newsletter and some 'Ofsted quotes', and an Application Form of course, are enclosed. For further information, and for a taste of the kind of school we are, please take a look at our website.

Grangetown is an exciting and creative place to work. We have a vibrant, positive ethos, focusing upon relationships and values. Our staff are supportive and friendly, and work as a team. Parents are very supportive and - most of all - the children are well-behaved and eager to do their best!

As you can see, we had a successful Ofsted in 2013, and we feel that we have continued to build upon those good and outstanding judgements.

We have set out each of our current vacancies as a 1 year contract (1 Sep 2017 to 31 Aug 2018), initially, but it is possible that this could be extended or even made permanent, depending upon circumstances.

One of our vacancies is for Reception (Early Years), and has arisen because of a maternity leave. We also have classroom teacher posts in Key Stage 1 (years 1 or 2) - due to rising pupil numbers - and in Lower Key Stage 2 (years 3 or 4).

If you have a particular preference for one or more of the posts, you can give an indication of that in your Letter of Application (or on your Application Form).

We are open-minded as to whether we appoint NQTs or more experienced teachers – we are simply looking for the right people for our school.

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**Enjoy - Respect - Achieve**



We are seeking teachers who are forward-thinking and open to new ideas. We'd like you to be confident, flexible, and a strong team-player with excellent classroom management skills. You should be creative, whilst at the same time able to establish a structured and carefully thought-through approach to your planning, teaching and assessment. You should be hard working and passionate about teaching – a caring person who loves working with children.

In return, to the successful candidates, we offer:

- A place in a supportive, & friendly team.
- Access to a strong programme of professional development.
- An ethos that values and nurtures you as a professional – we really want you to succeed and you will have every possible opportunity to thrive.
- A first-class team of teaching assistants, and plenty of support for your class.
- Children who are genuinely well-behaved, welcoming and motivated.
- Supportive and engaged parents.
- A superb, state of the art building with excellent facilities and plentiful resources.

By the way, visits are very welcome (Mondays or Fridays preferred) – please ring school to arrange an appointment.

Good luck with your application!

***Please note that we would like:***

- *A handwritten application form (Sunderland City Council).*
- *A typed Letter of Application (about 2 sides of A4), to the Headteacher, explaining your reasons for applying for this post, your approach as a teacher, the strengths you feel you will bring to Grangetown....and any other information you feel is relevant.*

***Also*** – as we are asking for a Letter of Application, there is no need for you to complete the 'How you meet the essential requirements' section (at the end of Part B) on the Council application form.

Yours sincerely



Les McAnaney  
HEADTEACHER