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Dear Applicant

Thank you for your interest in the post of Head Teacher at Albany Village Primary School.

I am delighted that you are considering applying to join and lead our wonderful school. The vacancy has arisen as a result of our current Head deciding to take early retirement after 14 successful years as Head Teacher. The post is available from September 2021.

The Governing Body is well established, experienced and works closely with our Headteacher, Senior Leadership Team and Curriculum Leaders. Through collaborative working and strategic challenge, we ensure we deliver our nurturing ethos, shared vision and mission statement. We are focused on continuous improvement of learning and teaching that maximises the potential of everyone in our school community. Underpinning all of our activities is a commitment to the personal care and emotional well-being of all our children and staff.

Enabling every child to reach their full potential is at the heart of everything we do at Albany Village Primary School. Our approach is based on our belief that we need to ensure both academic success and celebrate the wider successes from both inside and outside school.

As a team we have built a positive, supportive and nurturing environment for our whole school community. Our staff are an effective team. They are professional, friendly, fully committed and determined to provide the children in their care with every opportunity to enjoy each day and achieve their full potential. Parents, carers and the wider community are highly supportive of our school, we value the positive contribution they make to our school and the strong partnership that has developed over the years.

Through sustained investment our school is an engaging environment to work in, it is bright, fresh and well-resourced and, our team say, is a pleasure to work in. We continue to invest in our outdoor provision and this has enhanced the attractive grounds and its use in supporting the curriculum.

**“Every Child Matters”**

Head Teacher: Mrs C Brown B.Ed.(Hons) NPQH

Platinum

Our Ofsted rating of good, which we are proud of, demonstrates that we are committed to continuing to enrich learning and ensure academic achievement through our drive for continuous school improvement. This focus will be key as we continue to address the ongoing challenges that Covid 19 has brought to all aspects of education and pupil attainment as well as mental health and well-being over the past year.

Governors are excited at the opportunities the appointment of a new Head Teacher will bring. We are committed to working collaboratively and in close partnership as we continue the journey together to develop, build upon and improve our school.

The new Head Teacher will have the full support of the Governing Body on what we see as an exciting new chapter for Albany Village Primary School. We are committed to ensuring that, our new Head Teacher, will be supported in all aspect of the role including their own individual wellbeing, work-life balance, and professional development.

Our new Head Teacher, alongside the Governors, will share a clear vison for leading the development of our whole school community, demonstrate highly developed emotional intelligence and therefore have the ability to build effective relationships but also be able to challenge positively.

In fulfilling their role our Head Teacher will lead change effectively working with the full Governing Body as we continue our exciting journey to enable the children of Albany Village Primary School to aim high and Reach for the Stars.

If you are interested in this vacancy I would encourage you to contact our school office to make an appointment to attend one of the informal visits.

If you have any questions about this post or the school please contact me via simon.tate@albanyvillageprimary.org.uk or Kristina Slater kristina.slater@togetherforchildren.org.uk

**Please look very carefully at the job description and person specification for this post. Your personal statement must relate to the specification and be personalised to meet the priorities of our school.**

Please also check that you have given details of your referees, one of whom should be your current or most recent employer, and another should be someone who is able to comment on your performance at work from a position of responsibility, not as a peer. **Please note that CVs will not be accepted as applications.**

Thank you very much for your interest in this position, and we wish you every success with your application.

Yours sincerely

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Simon Tate

Chair of Governors