

GREENFIELDS
Community Primary
School,
Nursery & Pre-School



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Dear Applicant

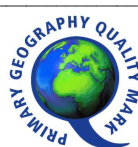
Re: Headteacher Vacancy

Thank you for expressing an interest in the vacancy for Headteacher at Greenfields Community Primary School. The Governors are seeking to appoint an enthusiastic and inspirational Headteacher who will play a critical role in the continued development of our good school.

Greenfields is a larger than average Primary School with Nursery and Pre-School for children aged from two to eleven years. Located in Wideopen, on the border of Newcastle and Northumberland Local Authorities, and within easy travelling distance of the A1 and A19, we are situated approximately six miles north of Newcastle upon Tyne city centre.

Originally a Middle School, Greenfields Community Primary School first opened in September 1994 and became a Foundation School in 2010, as one of the founding members of the North Tyneside Learning Trust. In 2015, the nursery moved into a separate building and the school expanded its pre-school provision by admitting 2 year olds. Greenfields is well equipped with a large hall and stage, a gym and access to a privately run swimming pool on site. The school also has extensive grounds including 2 large play areas, a vegetable patch, sensory garden and wildlife areas that are all put to effective use as teaching areas. Forest School runs at Greenfields on two afternoons each week, with pupils from nursery through to Year 6 having Forest School sessions during each school year. This has been used as a model of good practice by North Tyneside; it provides high quality curriculum enrichment and an exciting learning experience for all children.

Children generally enter the school with skills and abilities that are broadly typical for their age and go on to make at least good progress during their time with us. In June 2017, HMI noted that "As a result of individualised planning, effective teaching and a stimulating learning environment, children in the early years make strong progress and achieve levels of development above those seen nationally . . . pupils achieved impressive outcomes at KS1, reflecting leaders' commitment to build sustained improvement from the early years upwards. Pupils made good progress at KS2."



We have high expectations of all of our children; Greenfields is a place where children are at the heart of all that happens and every individual's ability is recognised, developed and rewarded. HMI commented on "a clear vision that places the academic, social and emotional needs of pupils at the heart of the school . . . all staff and governors subscribe to this vision that informs all aspects of the school's work."

Greenfields has a thriving Out of Hours Club, offering before and after school care for pupils on role from nursery through to Year 6; this has been run directly by the governing body since October 2012. Greenfields Friends, Parents & Teachers Association (GFPTA), works closely with school to enhance our provision.

Greenfields is an Eco School with Solar PV panel installations. To date we have generated over 60,000 kWh of electricity. Our curriculum reflects our commitment to environmental awareness, sustainability and renewable technologies.

Greenfields has built a reputation for the quality of its teaching, the development of an innovative, enquiry based curriculum, and a demonstrable commitment to sustainability. However, we have been successful in winning many other awards and standards, all of which are evident when walking round the school.

Currently, Greenfields Community Primary School is judged by Ofsted to be a good school. We are looking for an individual who will embrace the challenge, with enthusiasm and purpose, to take us to outstanding.

We enjoy a close working relationship with our partner schools in the North Tyneside Learning Trust, with North Gosforth Academy, where our pupils generally transfer to, as well as the other feeder primary schools in the area.

In fulfilling the role of Headteacher, we are looking for someone who will:

- expand and develop our vision to deliver continued improvement
- have proven strategic leadership and management experience
- demonstrate improvements in quality of teaching and learning to an outstanding level
- demonstrate the ability to engage, motivate, support and enable others
- foster excellent relationships with existing staff, pupils, parents, governors and other stakeholders
- have the care and commitment to ensure that every child achieves their full potential, both academically and as well rounded individuals
- be able to respond positively to challenge and change
- be approachable to all and promote a happy, safe, inclusive learning environment

In return, Greenfields Community Primary School can offer you the opportunity:

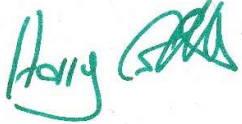
- to work with a highly motivated staff team and a committed, supportive and proactive governing body
- to actively engage in your continuing professional development
- to develop working relationships with our strong and active partnerships, at a local and international level

If you are successful in your application, you will be joining a highly motivated, dedicated and professional team of teaching and non-teaching staff. You will enjoy positive parental support, the energies of an enthusiastic Parent Teacher and Friends Association, as well as the assistance of committed, supportive governors.

At Greenfields Community Primary School, we are proud of our achievements and celebrate the successes of our pupils. Together we share a positive outlook and work co-operatively within our happy, friendly and secure school environment.

Please find enclosed with this letter the following documents; the job description, person specification, a copy of the job advert and additional supplementary information about our school. Visits to the school can be arranged by contacting the school office on 0191 643 2801. Please complete and return the application form to the recruitment team at the address indicated. We look forward to receiving your application.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Harry Corlett', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Harry Corlett
Chair of the Governing Board