



# **BOLSOVER C of E JUNIOR SCHOOL**

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## **CHAIR OF GOVERNORS WELCOME LETTER**

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Dear Applicant

Thank you for your interest in the post of Head Teacher at Bolsover CE Junior School, Bolsover, Derbyshire. As Chair of the Governing Body I would like to take this opportunity to tell you a little more about the context of our school.

Bolsover CE School is set in large grounds and offers excellent facilities for our children. The school is a modern school with three form entry with 285 pupils on roll. The school has easy links to the M1 motorway and close proximity to both Chesterfield and Sheffield.

As a result of an OFSTED inspection in February 2017 the school was placed in Special Measures and will be linked to an Academy Sponsor. We have already had meetings with the Derby Diocesan Academy Trust as a potential sponsor. We are viewing this as a fresh and exciting opportunity for the school to make progress to become an outstanding school that all our pupils and staff deserve.

Whilst the outcome of the OFSTED inspection was extremely disappointing, it is important to stress that action is already underway to improve standards and has continued at a pace, with strong support from the Derbyshire Local Authority and the Derby Diocese.

The Governing Body is seeking an inspirational leader who will embrace our ethos and build on the school's foundations. We are looking to appoint someone who will be committed to raise standards and has a vision to lead the school to be outstanding in all aspects.

We are a friendly and welcoming school which continues to enjoy strong, determined support from its pupils, parents and carers, staff, Governors and the local community.

We are very proud of our school and everyone involved in it and I would encourage you to visit us. I am confident that you will find children who are eager to learn and an extremely dedicated team of staff and Governors who want the best for our school community.

Our interim Headteacher, Mrs Bailey, will be very happy to show you around and answer any questions that you may have. To arrange a visit, please contact our Business Manager, Jill Kelly either by email ([jill.kelly@bolsover-jun.derbyshire.sch.uk](mailto:jill.kelly@bolsover-jun.derbyshire.sch.uk)) or by telephoning the school on 01246 822324.

Interviews for this post will be held on the Tuesday and Wednesday, 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> November 2017. Our hope would be that we could have a new Head Teacher in place to start at the beginning of the Summer Term, April 2018.

Graham E Briggs  
Chair of Governors