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Dear Applicant,

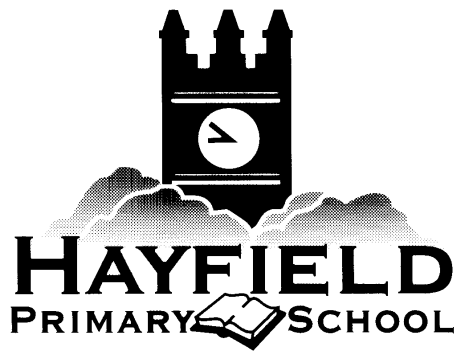
On behalf of the governors, staff and children, I would like to thank you for expressing an interest in the post of Headteacher of Hayfield Primary School.

Hayfield Primary is a thriving and popular school located in the picturesque village of Hayfield at the foot of Kinder Scout in the Peak District. The school is at the heart of the local community and works closely with parents and local community groups. Hayfield Primary benefits from a strong governing board which gives effective support, appropriate challenge and contributes successfully to school improvement. In addition, there is an active PTA who actively fundraise for resources to enrich teaching and learning across school. The school has developed strong partnerships with other local schools through a formal collaboration (Peak Edge Group of Schools) and this has led to collaborative working practices such as joint monitoring activities, shared CPD and cluster moderation meetings.

Outdoor learning, sports, the arts and enterprise are all important aspects of the broad and balanced curriculum that is provided for every child. The school has extensive, beautiful grounds which are used to deliver enhanced learning experiences for all classes. Hayfield Primary is proud of its sports provision: last year, every single child in KS2 was given the opportunity to represent the school in sporting events across the High Peak. Staff are ambitious for every child and this was recognised by Ofsted: "One of the greatest strengths of the school is the staff's commitment to each individual pupil's needs."

Under the leadership of our retiring Headteacher, the school has made significant improvements, securing a Good Ofsted judgement in 2012 and maintaining Good in its 2016 Ofsted inspection. However, the Headteacher, staff and governors recognise the need to keep driving forward in pursuit of excellence. This year, the school has reacted swiftly to disappointing end of KS2 maths results by making major changes to the maths curriculum: implementing a new Mastery approach which has necessitated a commitment by all staff to change and improvement. Teachers have been enthused by the new methods of teaching and children are becoming more engaged, reflective and involved in their own learning. "Now we know it's good to get something wrong because we can learn from it," was a comment from one child during Pupil Voice monitoring.





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Governors are now looking for a new Headteacher who has the experience, leadership qualities and aspirational vision to recognise and build upon existing strengths, drive forward new improvements and inspire our staff and children to achieve their very best. You will have high expectations and the knowledge, resilience and interpersonal skills to lead sustained improvement throughout the school whilst being committed to providing a supportive, caring and inclusive learning environment. You will demonstrate a solid understanding of school budget management and will be committed to leading the school forward to a strong, stable future in which all children can reach their full potential.

We hope that the accompanying information leaflet gives you a good flavour of our school but we would encourage you to book onto a tour of the school on Thursday 22nd March (10.30am -12.00pm). Please contact the office on 01663 742357 or email office@hayfield.derbyshire.sch.uk to arrange a visit. Visitors always comment on the warm welcome, brilliant behaviour and obvious love of learning that is at the heart of our school. We invite you to come and see for yourself!

I look forward to receiving your application by the closing date of 8th April and meeting you in due course.

Best wishes,

Jane Creed

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Chair of Governors

