

GREAT WISHFORD C.E. (V.A.) PRIMARY SCHOOL



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Dear Candidate.

Thank you for taking an interest in this role as Headteacher of Great Wishford School. We are a long-established rural primary school with a distinctive Christian ethos and a warm family atmosphere, and cherish our heritage and traditions; but we are moving forward with the changing educational landscape to raise aspirations for pupils.

On 1st March 2018 we entered a new and exciting phase when we joined Acorn Multi-academy Trust. This new partnership has come about through a desire to ensure our sustainability into the future and, crucially, to raise attainment and progress for our pupils.

The Academy Council and staff alike are looking forward to the opportunities and challenges that this partnership will bring. We are looking to increase our capacity to cater to the needs of all pupils, and raise attainment for all, whilst ensuring that the spiritual, social, moral and cultural growth of all continue to be nurtured, enabling every child to grow to his or her best ability.

The Academy Council, staff and pupils are looking for someone who is warm and approachable, with excellent leadership and communication skills. That person will work successfully with a cohesive team, be highly organised and will have ambitious aspirations for everyone in the school. There will be a 0.4fte teaching commitment. Since the departure of our previous Headteacher, we are looking to appoint a permanent headteacher from September 2018 to embrace the changes that our future will bring.

We are very proud of our school community, from pupils to cleaning staff. We have a professional, hardworking and supportive staff team who work closely together to provide an exciting and varied curriculum for all our pupils. Our 'Friends of Great Wishford School' is a committed group of parents who work enthusiastically to support us. The school is a happy place, where children feel safe and cared-for, and where learning is valued.

I warmly encourage you to visit the school and to experience the positive learning atmosphere and friendly welcome from pupils and staff alike. We hope you will be interested in the professional challenges, rewards and opportunities that this role can offer as we move forward together into a new stage of development.

With all best wishes,

Sue Bale Chair of Academy Council