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**Dear Applicant** 

Thank you for your interest in the post of Subject Leader, Design and Technology at Ripley. I hope the attached documentation will provide you with the information you need and that you will feel encouraged to apply for the post.

Ripley is a large and very successful school with a long history and great tradition. We were designated as Outstanding in all 31 categories in our most recent inspection. In addition, we were designated Outstanding in our recent Church School inspection and in the Ofsted inspection of our teacher training provision. There are currently over 1700 students on roll with 370 of those in the sixth form and around 180 staff. We are privileged to work with wonderful young people who are keen to learn and eager to achieve. The school serves a wide community with pupils coming from around 60 feeder primary schools.

Ripley is first and foremost a church school and all staff need to be fully supportive of the Christian ethos of the school. We look for teachers who will work hard and contribute to the whole school community. As a National Teaching School, we offer staff support and training of the highest quality. Teaching and Learning is our primary focus and all teachers work together on the craft of teaching.

Design Technology is a strong and popular subject at Ripley with a team of talented and hardworking staff. Outcomes for pupils are outstanding at all key stages and the department enjoys a very high profile, locally and nationally.

Ripley is a very welcoming and close knit community and a great place to work! If you feel you would like to be part of this dynamic and successful academy and feel you have the qualities we are looking for I would encourage you to apply for the post.

If you would like to visit the school prior to applying please contact my Executive Assistant, Mrs Rees, on the school number. If you wish to make an application please complete the form and write a letter (no longer than 2 sides of A4 - font Tahoma 11) outlining how your skills and experience fit you for the post. The closing date for applications is Tuesday 20 March 2018 at noon with interviews due to take place during the next week. If you have not heard from us by 27 March please assume you have not been shortlisted and accept our thanks for your interest and our best wishes for your future career.

Ripley is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children. We expect all staff to share this commitment. Appointments made are subject to satisfactory references and to an enhanced Disclosing and Barring Service check.

Yours faithfully

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