



SUTTON GRAMMAR SCHOOL

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Dear Applicant

Thank you for your interest in the post of Deputy Headteacher at Sutton Grammar School. This appointment is a very important one for the future development of this excellent school. I have been the head for 28 years and for the last eleven years have enjoyed working with Ingrid Sutherland as my deputy, working together to inspire and guide colleagues and students in our distinctive style of learning that encourages academic breadth and students' wide involvement in other activities. The two assistant heads and the bursar make up the rest of the leadership group and we have had the same strong senior team for a decade. A new deputy head, bringing his/her own strengths and enthusiasms is an opportunity to build on our current successes but also allows us to benefit from the experiences and skills of a new senior colleague to replace Ingrid after her retirement in the summer.

We value being a slightly smaller school – we are able to know all of our students well, helping them to achieve high academic standards and fully develop their personal qualities. In the light of financial and demographic pressures we are in a period of growth with a target roll of 960 by 2019.

Sutton is one of the few remaining local authorities with a selective secondary system and between the five selective schools in Sutton there is strong, friendly support with the potential for further collaboration.

If, after reading the information about this post and school, you feel excited about the prospects of being the Deputy Head here and making a real difference to the pupils and staff then please submit an application. You should submit a completed application form by 5pm on Thursday 1st February 2018. Shortlisted candidates will be notified on Monday 5th February and interviews will take place on Monday 19th February.

Completed forms should be submitted to Dr N Wrench, Clerk to the Trust Board, by post or e-mail. I am happy to respond to any queries about the post and school in advance of applications being made (e.g. via gironside@suttonmail.org) and to organise an (optional) school visit either before applying or prior to interview if shortlisted.

Yours sincerely

Gordon Ironside
Headmaster

