

Five Lanes Primary School

Appointment of Head Teacher



A Caring Place to Learn and Grow

About Five Lanes Primary School



Five Lanes Primary School is a popular two form entry school, serving the families of the Wortley community in West Leeds. The well-being of our children is at the heart of our work, and we are proud to provide an excellent level of personal development and care, guidance and support, which in turn allows the children to achieve academically.

The school is at the centre of our thriving and growing local community. Its success is based on a passionate shared teaching ethos which is built around the diverse needs of our enthusiastic, inquisitive and engaged children. Our school was rated as 'Good' by Ofsted in 2014, and we are looking to you as our new Headteacher to consolidate and build on this. Ofsted commented that "The school's mission statement, Aiming High, is reflected in pupil's good behaviour. The caring attitudes they show towards each other and the adults who work with them are often commented on by visitors. Their good attitudes to learning help them make good progress and achieve well in the classroom."

Our curriculum is broad and exciting, and this means pupils of all ages and abilities make good progress. Children enjoy school, and thus is reflected in our higher than average attendance rates. "Pupils enjoy school and are eager to attend."

We have a modern PFI building, along with extensively developed grounds, is an ideal place to enjoy learning. A strong budget position means the school continues to be a special place to learn and grow, where children can achieve their full potential in a happy environment.

Five Lanes enjoys great support from many people, not least parents and governors. The PTA works tirelessly to raise money so that children can enjoy many curriculum enhancements, such as additional resources, funding for educational visits and special visitors. This greatly supports our ability to provide a curriculum that is vibrant, meaningful and full of memorable experiences.

What Our Community Says About Us...



“Fabulous school, our children have loved, and continue to love every single day here. The teachers are wonderful and approachable.” Parent

“Fantastic school with fantastic teachers—all my three girls have been so happy here.” Parent

“This is the best school ever—the teachers make learning fun and the focus weeks are brilliant! They always help you with your work and also to makes friends and get on with everyone.” Pupil

“I joined Five Lanes in Year 5 and I’m really glad I moved here. Everyone is so friendly. I made lots of friends straight away and now I don’t want to ever leave!” Pupil

“ Working at Five Lanes is so rewarding—the children and parents are great. It really is like a big family!” Teacher

“Supporting the development of the whole child is central to my philosophy and that is exactly what we do everyday at Five Lanes.” Teacher



What Do We Offer?



Your working context:

- A thriving school that is loved by children, parents and staff
- A modern building in developed grounds
- Attractive, well-resourced educational environment
- Children with impeccable behaviour who make outstanding progress
- A dedicated and skilled staff with great young leaders

For you personally:

- A salary commensurate with a full two-form entry school and salary advancement related to performance (L22-28)
- Personal portfolio to support and develop your career in and beyond the school
- A supportive and skilled governing body
- The opportunity to influence the future growth and development of the school
- The opportunity to develop your own passions and expertise
- Joint training across our schools as well as training opportunities beyond the schools
- Personal training and development including recognised professional qualifications

We expect you to:

- have a proven track record of exceptional leadership
- have a clear vision for the school and a strong drive to lead it to a new future
- be an outstanding classroom practitioner and have a passionate commitment to high quality learning and teaching
- be a leading member of our Family of Schools in West Leeds
- believe that all children can succeed both socially and academically
- have new ideas and fresh perspectives on raising the aspirations of children, families and the local community
- be committed to securing excellent professional development for all staff
- have the skills to engage parents and the community in the development and activities of the school
- have experience of innovative approaches to the curriculum, teaching, learning and assessment

How to apply



Candidates should complete the attached application form along with a supporting statement which fully addresses the competencies outlined in the job description and person specification.

Completed applications should be addressed to Adrian McCluskey, Chair of Governors and sent to:

info@fivelanesprimary.co.uk

The deadline for applications is midnight on 23rd January.

Interviews will take place in the week commencing 26th February.

If you think you might be the person to lead our happy team, please contact the school on 0113 279 0122 to arrange a visit.

