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Dear Applicant

We are delighted that you are interested in applying to become our new Head of School.

We are very proud of our school and its pupils, and the unique community in which it sits. Our children love their school and are hungry to learn. They are friendly and confident and like nothing more than sharing their learning with any visitors to the school. Our community and small team of school staff are looking forward to the next stage of the school's development.

Now is an exciting time to join Sark School. Following an external review that highlighted some areas for improvement, the education system on the island of Sark is undergoing change. The appointment of a teaching Head of School is integral to the future of education on the island and is our first appointment following the review. The process of employing another teacher will take place when the Head of School has been appointed, to enable the Head of School to have a voice in building the new team who will take the school forwards. Changes in the age range of pupils educated in the school on the Island, the formation of a governing board, funded education for secondary aged children and education on Guernsey for students in Year 9 to 13 are part of the proposals.

Our school is located in a purpose built modern building, offering four classrooms arranged on two floors around a central atrium. The school is well resourced with technology. The school is situated adjacent to a large sports field and like everywhere on the Island, is within walking distance of the beaches and natural areas of the Island, which are used to enhance the curriculum on offer to the children of all ages.

We are seeking to appoint an inspirational person as Head of School, to take the school into the next phase of its development; someone who is a highly motivated, confident and inspirational teacher and passionate school leader with the relevant experience, drive and commitment to lead our school. We are looking for someone who recognises the importance of the school in our community, has the skills to lead people whilst managing change, and has an appetite to creatively address the challenges of leading a school in an isolated location.

Sark School is truly a very special place, located on a very special Island.

Our recruitment information incorporates, in various ways, the hopes and expectations of our school community for their new Head of School. Please consider it carefully when writing your personal statement. If you have any questions about the process or would like further information, please contact our recruitment partner, Bev Gates on 07977 143412 or by email to meolconsultants400@gmail.com.

We look forward to hearing from you and wish you every success.



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