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**Whaley Thorns**

Community Primary & Nursery School

**'Together we learn, together we grow, together we achieve'**

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Dear Applicant

Welcome to Whaley Thorns Primary Community School and thank you for your interest in our Headteacher post. Our school has recently undergone a consultation period with regard to converting to an Academy, but following this and taking all consideration and feedback into account, the Governors have decided to stay as a Derbyshire Local Authority School.

We believe that we are a thriving school at the heart of the community we serve. We are proud that all who join us come into a school where there is a strong culture of partnership and where everyone is encouraged to make their own contribution to its life and development.

As a school we are totally committed to building on the work that has already been done towards raising standards across all areas of the curriculum. Although we have already made a lot of progress, we are not prepared to rest on those achievements. Like all schools, we want the best for and from our children so we look forward to the ongoing challenge of lifting them even further.

The successful candidate will be leading a dedicated team of skilled, knowledgeable and dedicated professionals who, with the encouragement of the Governors, strive (and succeed) to deliver a creative, relevant and stimulating curriculum that encourages and includes all pupils.

Whilst there is no specific teaching commitment attached to the post, the governors expect the successful candidate to be able to lead by example and support them in encouraging the ongoing professional development of all staff.

The school has both an active School Council and Parent-Teacher Association, both of which make a valuable contribution to school life.

Whaley Thorns Primary Community School offers the successful applicant a great opportunity to make a real contribution to the lives of all who are part of it. We look to the future and to the possibilities it holds. Our aim is to equip our young people with the ability to make the most of themselves, both for themselves and for others.

This is a school where we try to show every child that they do matter, and more than that, we try to be a school that shows everyone that they matter.

We hope that you will be interested in applying for the post of Headteacher at our school and would be pleased to show you around if you would like a preliminary visit.

Yours sincerely

**Zoe Ellis**  
**Chair of Governors**